

English Language Based Admissions (September Entry) 2021

Alternative Requirements: ESSAY AND INTERVIEW EXAM

[As announced on October 24, 2020](#), the Essay and Interview Exam will be conducted for the applicants to the [2021 English Language Based Admissions \(September Entry\)](#) (hereafter referred to as ELBASE) who are unable to take and submit the SAT with Essay and/or ACT Plus Writing as their Educational Certification by ICU's application deadline due to the impact of COVID-19.

The Essay and Interview Exam will be available only for the second application period of ELBASE. If you are not sure whether you are eligible for the Essay and Interview Exam, submit the [Eligibility Check Form](#) via email (admissions-center@icu.ac.jp) as soon as possible.

The Essay and Interview Exam includes 1) an essay exam and 2) an online interview exam using Zoom, an online video communication system provided by the Zoom Video Communications, Inc.

The schedule of the Essay and Interview Exam is as follows. All dates and times are based on the Japan Standard Time (JST).

Essay and Interview Exam Schedule

| Schedule | Application Steps for the Essay and Interview Exam |
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| January 6 to February 11 | You must submit an additional application for the Essay and Interview Exam on <u>https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/admissions/undergraduate/engdoc/</u> during this period. |
| February 12 to March 2, 23:59(JST) | You must finish the online entry for the ELBASE during this period including the payment of the application fee. <u>(https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/admissions/undergraduate/engdoc/)</u> |

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Schedule and Guidelines for the Essay and Interview Exam (continued)

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| March 4 to March 11 | You must download the Essay Exam “ <i>topic</i> ” and the “ <i>confirmation form</i> ” from the Online Application System during this period. Start writing your essay! |
| March 11 23:59(JST) | You must finish your Essay Exam and sign “ <i>confirmation form</i> ”, and upload the two documents in PDF format to the Online Application System by this deadline. In addition to the two documents, you must submit all application documents for ELBASE by this deadline. |
| March 22 | ICU will email you an ID, passcode and time for a Zoom test to be conducted on March 24. |
| March 24 | You will have a Zoom test at a designated time on this day using the URL and the passcode sent to you on March 22. This is a test to check whether you can communicate well with us using ZOOM. Your test may be postponed to March 25 if there is a problem on this day. |
| March 26 | ICU will email you a Zoom URL, passcode, and time for the Interview Exam. |
| March 29 | You will have an online Interview Exam at a designated time on this day. The interview exam may be postponed to March 30 if a technical problem prevents the interview from taking place. |
| April 23 | Notification Date |

NOTE:

1. If you fail to follow the schedule described above, you will not be able to take the Essay and Interview Exam.
2. When necessary, ICU will send you an email message using the mail account you provided on the online application. You should check your email account on a daily basis until the notification date in case we may need to contact you for urgent matters.