

ST. LUKE'S INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
ADMISSIONS FOR DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN NURSING SCIENCE
(Entrance Examination for International Students)
Application Information for the 2025 Academic Year (October 2025 Enrollment)

1. NUMBER OF STUDENTS ADMITTED

A few students

2. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants who fulfill all of the following requirements.

- 1) Foreign nationals without permanent residency in Japan
- 2) Those who fulfill one of the following:
 - (1) Those who have been awarded a master's degree abroad (including those expected to be awarded by September 2025)
 - (2) A person who completed a distance learning course of a foreign institution while in Japan, and was awarded a master's degree or the equivalent (including those expected to be awarded by September 2025)
 - (3) Others as approved by this university's Graduate School of Nursing Science Faculty Council. *¹
- 3) A person who has sufficient language ability to handle the course content given in Japanese or English.
 - (1) For applicants looking to take their courses in Japanese: Level N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) or equivalent level.
 - (2) For applicants looking to take their courses in English (non-native English speakers): At least TOEFL 80 (iBT)/550(PBT) or IELTS 6.0 or equivalent

*1: Applicants who do not fulfill the requirements in points 2.1 or 2.2 above should contact the Admission Office by Monday, December 2, 2024 to confirm eligibility. If approved, the applicant may then apply for admission as in point 2 item 3.

* Applicants must contact the faculty member who is the prospective academic advisor or the chairperson of the graduate program before submitting the application.

* Nursing licenses, either those issued in Japan or abroad, are not required to apply for admission.

3. SPECIALTIES AND FACULTIES

Applicants will select their specialty or faculty when applying.

Specialty
Psychology Nursing, Sociology in Nursing (no recruitment for the 2025 academic year), Nursing Informatics, Epidemiology and Biostatistics for Nursing (no recruitment for the 2025 academic year), Bioethics/ Nursing Ethics, Nursing and Data Science, Principles of Nursing Science/Biobehavioral Nursing, Nursing Education, Nursing Administration, Genetics Nursing, Neuroscience Nursing, Child Health Nursing, Critical Care Nursing, Chronic Illness and Conditions Nursing, Oncology Nursing and Palliative Care, Gerontological Nursing, Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing, Home Care Nursing, Community/ Public Health Nursing, Global Health Nursing, Women's Health Nursing, Midwifery

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KASUYA Chikae Professor	Psychology Nursing	ch.ksy@slcn.ac.jp
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NAKAYAMA Kazuhiro Professor	Nursing Informatics	nakayama@slcn.ac.jp
YONEKURA Yuki Associate professor	Nursing Informatics	yyonekura@slcn.ac.jp
OKUYAMA Ayako Professor	Nursing and Data Science	okuyama.ayako.r3@slcn.ac.jp
SAKYO Yumi Professor	Principles of Nursing Science/Biobehavioral Nursing	yumi-sakyo@slcn.ac.jp
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AOKI Yumi Associate professor	Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing	yumiaoki@slcn.ac.jp
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OTA Erika Professor	Global Health Nursing	ota@slcn.ac.jp
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IGARASHI Yukari Professor	Women's Health Nursing	yukari@slcn.ac.jp
KATAOKA Yaeko Professor	Midwifery	yaeko-kataoka@slcn.ac.jp
HORIUCHI Shigeko Specially Appointed Professor	Midwifery	shigeko-horiuchi @slcn.ac.jp

*Positions as of the 2024
academic year

4. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

- 1) **Application Form (designated form):** Fill out the application form, and attach a passport or other ID photo (4cm×3cm) taken within the last three months. Please be as detailed as possible when writing your Statement of Purpose and Research Direction.
- 2) **Master's thesis:** One copy of the applicant's Master's thesis must be submitted. If the thesis is not written in English, please attach an English abstract of the thesis.
- 3) **List of Research and Other Scholarly Publications (designated form):** List research and other scholarly publications in the designated form. Attach one copy each of no more than 5 major research reports or publications.
- 4) **Official Transcripts:** Original transcripts containing the name(s) of your university president(s) for your undergraduate and master's courses that are sealed properly in envelopes. Transcripts in languages other than English or Japanese should be accompanied by an official English translation. *²
- 5) **Official Master's Degree Certificate/Certificate of Expected Graduation:** That of your most recent university *²
- 6) **Letter of Recommendation:** One letter of recommendation is required. Applicants are advised to seek the letter from an individual who is in a position to objectively evaluate academic and professional performance. The letter must be written on the designated form and properly sealed in an envelope.

7) **Language Certificates**

- (1) For applicants looking to take their courses in Japanese: Level 1 Certificate of Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) or equivalent
- (2) For applicants looking to take their courses in English: (non-native speakers of English): Score certificates (TOEFL 80 (iBT)/550(PBT) or IELTS 6.0 or equivalent)

Applicants who were awarded their degree from an institution for which the language of instruction is English are not required to submit an English proficiency certificate. If this institution is in a non-English speaking country, please submit a document verifying that the curriculum's main language is English.

*2: If original documents cannot be submitted, please submit a copy that is verified by a public institution as authentic.

8) **Application Fee: JPY 40,000 (non-refundable)**

The application fee must be paid to the specified bank account by wire transfer. The name of the payer must match that of the applicant. All remittance charges are to be borne by the applicant. Proof of payment must be included in the submitted application materials.

Applicants residing outside of Japan may be eligible for a reduction or waiver of application fees. Please contact the SLIU Admissions Division at nyushi@slcn.ac.jp for further details.

Payment can be made via one of the bank transfer options below:

1. At a bank counter
2. ATM (Automated Teller Machine)
3. Internet bank

Bank Account for payment of the Application Fee

Bank name: Bank of Mitsubishi UFJ, Limited Tsukiji Branch

Bank address: 1-10-6 Tsukiji Chuo-ku Tokyo, 104-0045 Japan

SWIFT code: BOTKJPJT

Destination of remittance country: Japan

Deposit type: Ordinary deposit

Bank account number: 025-0575678

Bank account name: St. Luke's International University

University address: 10-1 Akashi-cho Chuo-ku Tokyo, 104-0044 Japan

University telephone number: +81-3-3543-6391

Fee: JPY 40,000

Name of payer: (must match applicant's name)

- 9) **Residence Card:** Photocopies of both sides of the Residence Card must be submitted. These should contain the information on visa status and period of stay. In case an applicant has entered Japan within 90 days and has not obtained the Residence Card yet, submit a copy of all pages of the passport.*³

*3: According to the Immigration Control and Refugee Act (Act No. 319 of 1951), applicants are responsible for obtaining the appropriate visa status by the time enrollment procedures begin so as not to interrupt their enrollment to the graduate school.

10) **Research Protocol in English or Japanese**

- 11) **Exam Voucher Photo:** One photo that is the same as that attached to your application form

5. SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

- 1) Application Method: By postal mail

Write “Application Documents for Doctoral Program Enclosed” in red ink on the envelope, and send it by registered mail to the following address.

Admissions Division
St. Luke's International University
10-1 Akashi-cho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104-0044

Application Period: Applications must arrive at the university between Monday, December 23, 2024 and Thursday, January 16, 2025.

All application documents must reach the University by the submission deadline.

6. SCREENING

Document Review and Online Video Interview by faculty members (English or Japanese)

7. INTERVIEWS

Interviews will be individually arranged and conducted between Wednesday, February 12, 2025 and Friday, February 28, 2025.

8. SCREENING RESULTS

Date: Thursday, March 6, 2025 , 3pm (Japan standard time)

Results will be sent to the applicant by email (Telephone inquiries are not accepted).

9. ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES AND TUITION

The entrance fee, tuition for the first semester and facility maintenance fees for the first semester of the 2025 academic year must be paid to start the admission procedures.

Payment Period: Acceptance date – Thursday, March 20, 2025

A Certificate of Admission will be sent upon receipt of the entrance fee.

Tuition and Fees:

- Entrance fee: JPY 400,000 to be paid at the time of enrollment procedures
- Tuition: JPY 1,100,000 (annually) to be paid in 2 parts
- Facility maintenance fee: JPY 150,000 (annually) to be paid in 2 parts

Tuition and facility maintenance fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

10. ENTRANCE CEREMONY

Early October 2025. Details will be provided later.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1) Incomplete applications may not be accepted.
- 2) The application fee is non-refundable.
- 3) This university has a sabbatical leave program for its faculty members. Therefore, some faculty members may be away from campus for a long period of time.

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