

2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOREIGN STUDENT ENTRANCE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

(A BRIEF OUTLINE)

GRADUATE SCHOOL
(MASTER'S COURSE)

※ This is a brief outline of requirements for foreign students who wish to enter Musashino in 2020. For further information please visit Musashino Academia Musicae Japanese Website.

http://www.musashino-music.ac.jp/entrance/graduate/first_foreign/

Complete details can be found by opening the PDF file.

【2020 年度大学院音楽研究科（修士課程）外国人留学生入学試験要項】

http://www.musashino-music.ac.jp/files/5315/6463/0346/2020_in_foreign.pdf

MUSASHINO ACADEMIA MUSICAE

1. Courses Available

Department	Specialization	Instrument
Instrumental Music	Keyboard Instruments	piano, organ
	Wind Instruments	flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone, bassoon, French horn, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, tuba
	Percussion Instruments	marimba, percussion
	String Instruments	violin, viola, violoncello, contrabass, harp
Vocal Music		
Composition		
Musicology		
Music Education		

◇ For Instrumental Music and Vocal Music Departments, Musashino has a Virtuoso course. However, at present, foreign students are not eligible to take the examinations for this course.

◇ The academic year starts in April.

2. Student Numbers

Only a limited number of foreign applicants can be accepted each year

3. Prerequisites

(1) Non-Japanese nationality.

Non-Japanese living in Japan with permanent visas are excluded from using this method of entry.

(2) Applicants may apply in one of the following three ways.

① They have, or will have, completed 16 years of school education by March, 2020.

② They have, or will have, completed at least 3 years of university education and possess a bachelor's degree.

③ They have equivalent qualifications.

(2) Applicants must have sufficient Japanese language ability to study in the language and present a master's thesis in Japanese.

4. Examination Subjects

Subjects marked ○ are compulsory.

Test Department	Practical skill (Performance)	Four-part harmony (on bass)	Short essay	Oral exam	Translation (English into Japanese)	Interview	Document check
Instrumental Music	○	○	-	-	-	○	○
Vocal Music	○	○	-	-	-	○	○
Composition	○	-	-	○	-	○	○
Musicology	-	○	○	○	○	○	○
Music Education	○ (Instrumental music, Vocal Music)	○	○	○	-	○	○

Note:

The interview, together with the essay in Japanese submitted at the time of application, is used to assess whether the applicant's proficiency in Japanese is equivalent to N2 level of the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test.

The document check concerns previous school transcripts.

5. Examination Schedule

- (1) Place: Musashino Academia Musicae Ekoda Campus
(1-13-1, Hazawa, Nerima-ku, Tokyo 176-8521 Japan)
- (2) Examination date: December 7, 2019
- (3) Examination schedule

Department		Examination Subject
Instrumental Music	Piano	Performance, Basic harmony, Interview
	Organ	Performance, Basic harmony, Interview
	Wind Instruments	Performance, Basic harmony, Interview
	Percussion Instruments	Performance, Basic harmony, Interview
	String Instruments	Performance, Basic harmony, Interview
Vocal Music		Performance, Basic harmony, Interview
Composition		Practical skill, Oral examination, Interview
Musicology		Translation(English into Japanese), Basic harmony, Oral examination, Interview
Music Education		Performance, Basic harmony, Oral examination, Interview

◇Exact examination times will be announced following receipt of applications.

◇Accompanists

- ① When an accompanist is necessary, only a piano accompanist is acceptable.
- ② Musashino will provide accompanists for applicants who take a vocal performance test. However, applicants can provide their own accompanist.
- ③ Applicants who take an instrumental performance test and need an accompanist, must provide their own.

Note: In no case can Musashino teachers or staff be used as accompanists.

6. Application Process

(1) Application period

Application by post	Application with postmark from November 1, 2019 to November 8, 2019 is accepted. When sending from within Japan, be sure to use Acceptance-recorded mail. When sending from abroad, please send by EMS.
Application in person	Accepted November 7 and 8, 2019 only, from 9:00 to 12:30 and 13:30 to 15:00.

(2) Application fee and payment procedures

Application fee: ¥37,000

Application by post

【From within Japan】

Postal transfer by Post Office or Japan Post Bank

(1) Account number: 0100-7-57198

(2) Account name: 学校法人 武蔵野音楽学園

(3) Transfer method: The official Post Office or Japan Post Bank form must be used in the applicant's own name.

【From abroad, remit payment to】

SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING CORPORATION

NERIMA BRANCH

ACCOUNT NO. 064-920675

BRANCH ADDRESS: 5-17-14, TOYOTAMAKITA, NERIMA-KU, TOKYO, 176-0012, JAPAN

SWIFT CODE: SMBCJPJT

ACCOUNT NAME: MUSASHINO ACADEMIA MUSICAE

Note:

The applicant is requested to pay for the transfer fees.

In case the applicant is not sending the money by himself/herself, the applicant's name must be written as indicated in his/her passport.

【Application in person】

Payment must be made in Japanese yen at the Accounts Department counter on the day the application form is submitted. (No credit cards are accepted.)

(3) Application office

Academic Affairs Department, Musashino Academia Musicae:
Entrance Examination Office
1-13-1, Hazawa, Nerima-ku, Tokyo 176-8521, Japan
Tel. 03-3992-1119 (direct number)

(4) Required documents

① Entrance examination application form

Official Musashino application form must be used and must be filled out in Japanese by the applicant.

② Essay in Japanese

The essay, written in Japanese by the applicant, must explain his/her motives for applying for Musashino and prospects following graduation, etc. It should be written on A4 paper and be about 800 kanji (letters). The applicant's name must appear on the paper.

③ Accompanist scores

Vocal Music applicants must submit the scores to be used with their application, if a Musashino-provided accompanist is to be used. The applicant's name must be written on the score.

④ Original Composition

Composition applicants must submit a copy of an original composition with their name written on the score.

⑤ Short essay

Musicology and Music Education applicants must submit a copy of a short essay. The applicant's name must be written on the top page.

⑥ Graduation certificate

Applicants must submit certification of university graduation or future graduation. The certification in the original language must be submitted with a Japanese or English translation. If certification of future graduation is submitted, then following actual graduation, certification of graduation must be submitted.

⑦ Certificate of grades achieved

Applications must include a certificate, in the original language and with Japanese or English translation, verifying graduation subject grades of ⑥.

⑧ Recommendations

Applicants must enclose a letter of recommendation by the president, or similar person, of the university or school they graduated from. This letter must be written in either Japanese or English.

⑨ An abstract of the applicant's family register or similar document is required.

⑩ A copy of passport including pages showing applicant's name and any entry to or departure from Japan is required.

⑪ Applicants residing in Japan need to submit a copy of both sides of the Residence Card or Certificate of Residence. The applicant's nationality, region, status of residence, permitted period of residence and date of expiration must be shown. The Certificate of Residence needs to have been obtained within three months prior to the application.

⑫ Two passport-style photos (4cm x 3cm)

One of the photos must be attached to the application form as indicated.

Note: If the applicant is unable to include articles requested in ⑥ and ⑦ above, they can be shown to the Entrance Examination Office by the applicant or guarantor, when the application is submitted. They will be copied and returned to the applicant/guarantor.

7. Examination Result Announcement

(1) Results of the examination will be sent on December 11, 2019.

(2) Results will be sent by post to all the applicants. The successful applicants' examinee's numbers will be listed on the Musashino Academia Musicae Website, from 16:00, December 11 to 16:00, December 13.

8. Enrollment Procedure

(1) Information on enrollment procedure will be sent to all successful applicants. It includes information regarding the payment of the entrance fee. This fee must be paid between December 13, 2019 and 15:00, January 31, 2020.

(2) Tuition and equipment fee can be paid in two installments (first and second semester). If they are not paid within the specified time the applicant's acceptance will be cancelled.

(3) In principle no refund of entrance or tuition fee is possible. However, if written notification of withdrawal is received by March 31, 2020 at the very latest, the tuition fee only, will be refunded.

(4) Applicants must make their own applications regarding visa status as foreign student studying in Japan, or change to such a visa. Please do this as quickly as possible and then complete enrollment procedure. Applications for a Musashino scholarship can only be made after one has obtained a student visa.

9. Tuition and other fees

Academic year	Entrance fee	Tuition	Equipment fee	Supporters' member-ship fee	Total (yearly)
1st year	¥350,000	¥1,220,000	¥200,000	¥10,000	¥1,780,000
2nd year	-	¥1,220,000	¥200,000	¥10,000	¥1,430,000

○Additional fee needs to be paid to borrow school instruments to be used for practice.

10. Additional Points

- (1) Almost all classes and lessons take place in Japanese.
- (2) Scholarship awards: Based on their first-year results, students may be awarded a Naoaki Fukui Scholarship for foreign students, in the second year.
- (3) Reduction of tuition fee may be applied for privately-funded foreign students with financial hardships.
- (4) If anything in the application form or accompanying documents is found to be false, then the applicant might have his/her acceptance canceled.

Please check the PDF file on our website for complete details regarding the admission of foreign students.

CONTACT DETAILS (Ekoda Campus)

Place	Contact details	Phone number
Entrance Examination Office	Entrance examination	03-3992-1119
Student Affairs Office	Scholarship	03-3992-1129
Finance & Accounts Department	Tuition	03-3992-1254