Yamagata University Graduate School of Social and Cultural Systems welcomes application for the Mature Students Entrance Examination for the two-year Master's degree program starting April, 2019

The Total Numbers to Be Admitted

Department of Cultural Systems: 6

Entrance Examination Venues

- (i) Yamagata University Kojirakawa Campus (Yamagata, Japan)
- (ii) Yamagata University Nasca Research Institute* (Nasca, Peru)
 * The examination for this venue is carried out via Internet video conference system when on-site face-to-face oral examination is impractical.

Screening

Applicants are screened, following Department's Mature Students Entrance Examination procedures, on the basis of the overall evaluation of (i) and (ii):

- (i) Oral examination (In some areas of study, applicants can choose either Japanese, English, or Spanish for the oral examination.)
- (ii) Application documents.

Qualifications for Application for the Mature Students Entrance Examination

Applicants must meet ONE of the following fundamental requirements.

- (1) University graduates or those who are expected to graduate by March 31, 2019.
- (2) Those who have been granted a Bachelor's degree or who are expected to be granted one by March 31, 2019, in compliance with Article 104, Section 2 of the School Education Act.
- (3) Those who have completed or are expected to complete by March 31, 2019, 16 years of school education outside Japan.
- (4) Those who have completed or are expected to complete by March 31, 2019, 16 years of school education within Japan through correspondence courses offered by an overseas school.
- (5) Those who have completed courses of which the minimum period for graduation is three years or longer and which are offered by an overseas university or other overseas school (of which the overall state of educational and research activities has been evaluated by an institution authorized by the country's government or relevant organization or which has been recognized as equivalent to such a school by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports and Technology, Japan) and have received a degree comparable to a Bachelor's degree, or those who are expected to complete such a course and receive such a degree by March 31, 2019. (This includes school education within Japan through correspondence courses offered by an overseas school and education at an educational institution in Japan that is deemed to have courses offered by an overseas university according to the educational system of that country and has been recognized by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan.)

- (6) Those who have completed or are expected to complete by March 31, 2019, the specialized courses offered at an advanced vocational school, recognized by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan (of which the minimum period required for graduation is four years or longer and which also satisfies other conditions specified by the Minister), after the date specified by the Minister.
- (7) Those who have been recognized or are expected to be recognized by March 31, 2019, by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan.
- (8) Those who have been evaluated as possessing academic abilities equal to or superior to the average university graduate and, at the time of admission, have reached the age of 22. This evaluation shall be carried out by an independent eligibility examination prior to the Entrance Examination to the Graduate School of Social and Cultural Systems.

In addition to the above educational/academic requirement, those applicants that fall under (1)-(7) must satisfy the additional requirement of ① or ② or ③ stated below, whereas those who fall under (8) must satisfy the additional requirement of either 4 or (5).

- (1)Applicants who, at the time of application, have had business experience of three continuous years or longer, including said experience, if any, while attending university.
- 2 Those who, at the time of application, have had business experience of one continuous year or longer that started after graduation from university.
- 3 Those who have graduated from university at least three years prior to the time of application.
- ④ Experts who, at the time of application, have had business experience of three continuous years or longer after graduation from university or completion of a Master's degree course.
- (5)Applicants who have graduated from university or completed a Master's degree course at least five years prior to the time of application.

Note: Business experience referred to in ①, ②, ④ does not include short-term, temporary work not considered to be a regular occupation.

Pre-Application Eligibility Checking

Prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to submit, in advance of application, Pre-Application Eligibility Check Sheets (PAECS) stating both educational background and business career, so as to confirm their eligibility for the Mature Students Entrance Examination.

PAECS shall be sent via e-mail to the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Admissions Section (see below) either by the end of June for the Entrance Examination in September.

Entrance Examination Dates

Entrance Examination	
Submission deadline of PAECS:	Fri, June 29, 2018(Japan time)
Application period:	Fri, August 17 - Tue, August 21, 2018(Japan time)
Examination date:	Thu, September 6, 2018(Japan time)
Announcement of screening results:	Fri, September 14, 2018(Japan time)

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The latest information on the Graduate School of Social and Cultural Systems is available on the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences webpage at

http://www-hs.yamagata-u.ac.jp/.

Pre-Application Eligibility Check Sheet (PAECS) Date:

Name:

Address: ____

Study area of application: _____

Check the preferred language(s) in the oral examination:
□Japanese □English □Spanish

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