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## Change of Admission Policies (Master's Programs) starting from 2022 Enrollment

The Master's Programs of Graduate School of Design, Kyushu University, will integrate the current two departments into one in April 2022. There will be several changes to the admission policies for 2022 enrollment following the reorganization.

Please note that this change in the admission policies is subject to the finalization of the Graduate School of Design's reorganization depending on future circumstances. Please check our website (<https://www.design.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/>) regularly for updates. For further details, please refer to the application guidelines that will be announced shortly.

### 1. Outline of the Reorganization

| Current Departments   |   | New Department (tentative)   |
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| Department of Design<br>Human Science Course<br>Communication Design Science Course<br>Environment and Heritage Design Course<br>Content and Creative Design Course |  | Department of Design<br>Strategic Design Course<br>Environmental Design Course<br>Human Life Design and Science Course<br>Design Futures Course<br>Media Design Course<br>Acoustic Design Course |
| Department of Design Strategy   |   |  |

### 2. Change of Entrance Examinations

| Current Types of Entrance Examinations  | New Types of Entrance Examinations   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• General Entrance Examination</li><li>• Special Entrance Examination for Applicants with Work Experience</li><li>• Entrance Examination for International Students</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-recommendation Examination</li><li>• General Entrance Examination</li></ul> |

\*The applicants may choose to take the examination either in English or Japanese for both self-recommendation and general entrance examinations.

### 3. Introduction of External English Proficiency Test

The external English proficiency test scores will replace the formerly used Foreign Language Test (English) to evaluate the English abilities of applicants. The Graduate School of Design will accept the following test scores:

TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, TOEFL iBT, and IELTS Academic

Applicants are required to submit an English proficiency test score taken within four years by the entrance examination.

Only applicants who will take the general entrance examination for the academic year 2022 will be accepted to submit the result of TOEIC IP held at Ohashi Campus, Kyushu University (please refer to the application guideline for more details). For applicants of self-recommendation examination who cannot submit the test score as listed above, the scores of TOEIC IP (Online), TOEFL iBT Home Edition, or TOEFL ITP are also acceptable. Please note that a valid passport is necessary to register for TOEFL-iBT or IELTS. This special consideration is only applicable for the applicants of the entrance examinations for the academic year 2022 (April 2022 entry). The entrance examination is subject to change depending on future circumstances.

### 4. Schedule

The schedule for admission may vary depending on the approval date of the new department (**under approval procedure in June**) by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (Monbukagakusho: MEXT).

|  | Self-Recommendation Examination | General Entrance Examination |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Release of Application Guidelines                | Early July                      | Early July                   |
| Application Period for Pre-Application Screening | Late July                       | Early August                 |
| Application Period                               | Mid-August                      | Late August                  |
| Examination Date                                 | Early September                 | Late September               |
| Announcement of Successful Applicants            | Late September                  | Mid-October                  |