



Doctoral Program in Microbiology and Immunology
Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University, Japan

Admission in April, 2027

The Translational Health Science and Technology Institute (THSTI) invites applications from Indian citizens for the Ph.D. program at Osaka University, Japan, for admission in April 2027. Applicants will first be screened for eligibility at THSTI, followed by a joint interview conducted by the selection committees of both Osaka University and THSTI. For details about the Doctoral Program in Microbiology and Immunology, please visit the program website:

https://www.ifrec.osaka-u.ac.jp/dpmi_thsti/

Eligibility Criteria:

Applicants for this program must be non-Japanese nationals residing outside of Japan at the time of application and possess the qualifications in (1) and (2), and the qualities listed in (3) below.

(1) Applicants who meet any of the following qualifications **by March 31st of 2027:**

a) Individuals who have completed or expect to complete eighteen (18) years of schooling in a country other than Japan by March 31st of 2027.

b) Individuals who have received or expect to receive the equivalent of a bachelor's degree through the completion of coursework which requires five (5) or more years of study at an overseas university or school (limited to schools evaluated by organizations that are certified by overseas governments, or relevant agencies, on the comprehensive progress of their education and research, or schools which are designated separately by the Minister of MEXT) by March 31st of 2027.

c) Individuals who are at least twenty-four (24) years of age as of March 31, 2027, and are recognized by the Graduate School of Medicine as having academic capabilities equal to or greater than those of someone who has completed a degree in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy, based on a separate admission qualification evaluation*.

*(*If you have completed a 3-year Bachelor program and 2-year Master's program, you must have at least one additional year of employment, after completing the Master's program, as an educator or a researcher in the field of education or research at an institution such as a university, junior college, government office, research institute, or company.)*

(2) Applicants must have sufficient English language proficiency (Japanese language proficiency is not required):

a) TOEFL-iBT 80 or higher (taken after December 2024)

or

b) IELTS academic module 6.5 or higher (taken after December 2024)

(3) Applicants must have the following qualities:

- Strong interest in life sciences
- Curiosity to explore the unknown world
- Dedication to work on tasks until completion
- Communication skills that transcend the boundaries of academia
- Flexibility to incorporate knowledge from other fields without being limited to one's own field of expertise
- International mindset for a global tomorrow
- Determination to overcome difficulties
- Spirit of pioneering new research fields and changing the world
- Leadership to lead a team to achieve capabilities that transcend the individual

Important Notes for Applicants:

- Incomplete applications will be rejected. Revision of applications after submission is not permitted.
- Please **do not** submit original documents with your application. Submitted documents will not be returned.
- Initial screening of candidates will take place at THSTI. The second round of selection will be carried out jointly by THSTI and Osaka University at THSTI. Final confirmation will be made by the Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine.
- Accepted students will be enrolled in the Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine.
- The program provides a stipend for four years (**April, 2027 - March, 2031**).
- All results will be announced on the THSTI website, and all future communication will be conducted only via email.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an interview at THSTI as part of the final selection process.

Submission Information

For applications, please email soft copies of the above-mentioned documents to bhabatosh@thsti.res.in by **March 31, 2026**.

Email subject must mention “*Doctoral Program in Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Osaka in Japan 2027*”

Please send hard copies of the documents to the mailing address below, postmarked no later than **March 31, 2026**.

First round selection by the local selection committee at THSTI will be completed by **31st May 2026**.

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