

For 2025 enrollment
(October 2024 (Intensive Japanese Course) and April 2025(Bachelor's Degree) Enrollment)

Letter of Recommendation

Instructions to the Recommender:

The letter of recommendation should be from a teacher who knows the applicant's academic performance (or, in exceptional circumstances only, a person in a professional position of responsibility such as a current employer, lawyer, or religious leader). Please complete the letter of recommendation by answering the three questions below. Print out the letter and authenticate it with an official school/institutional stamp. Sign by hand (no e-signatures) at the bottom. Hand it to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature across the back. Please note that letters which do not follow the required format could disqualify the applicant's entire application to the university.

Applicant's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ (YYYY/MM/DD)

1. State your relationship to the applicant.

Please state the length and nature of your relationship to the applicant.

[Recommender's comments]

2. Statement regarding the applicant's academic abilities

In order to graduate from MJSP, students must take undergraduate courses in the fields of history, cultural studies, sociology/anthropology, and political science in both the English and Japanese languages. For recommenders who are current or former teachers, with direct reference to the applicant's academic record thus far (grades, relative class position, relative performance in national standardized tests, etc.), indicate your assessment of the applicant's academic strengths in learning foreign languages and studying the social sciences/humanities. For recommenders in other professions, please state as best you can your assessment of the applicant's ability in language learning and/or the skills or knowledge of the applicant relating to the subject areas of the degree program.

[Recommender's comments]



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3. Statement regarding the applicant's character

Explain the single greatest contribution you believe the applicant can make to the intellectual and social community at Hokkaido University on the Modern Japanese Studies Program.

[Recommender's comments]

The Application Guidelines state: "Hokkaido University invites applications from students worldwide who have a high command of English, an interest in the society and culture of contemporary Japan, and very high levels of academic achievement." In signing this recommendation letter, I confirm that I believe the applicant meets these conditions.

Name: _____ Signed (by hand): _____

School/ Institution: _____ Position: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Date: _____

Official School/Institutional Stamp: