

Changes to the entrance examination for the five-year doctoral program in the
Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, Osaka University

In the entrance examinations for the 2026 academic year (April 2026 and October 2026 enrollment), our graduate school will change the minimum required scores of the English proficiency tests and the selection criteria for the entrance examinations as follows:

- The minimum required scores of the English proficiency tests (TOEFL iBT, TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, IELTS Academic Module)

* Those who do not meet the minimum required scores will not be approved to apply.

[Before change]

The types of English proficiency tests	Score
TOEFL iBT	Total score: 57
TOEIC Listening & Reading Test	Total score: 550
IELTS Academic Module	Overall band score: 6



[After change]

The types of English proficiency tests	Score
TOEFL iBT	Total score: 62
TOEIC Listening & Reading Test	Total score: 600
IELTS Academic Module	Overall band score: 6

- Selection Criteria

[Before change]

Selection will be conducted comprehensively based on the oral examination, English proficiency (Scores of TOEFL iBT, TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, or IELTS Academic Module), and the submitted application documents.

The scoring system consists of an oral examination (out of 60 points) and English proficiency (converted to 40 points based on TOEFL iBT, TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, or IELTS Academic Module scores), resulting in a total of 100 points. Pass/Fail determination will be based on the total scores, with successful candidates selected from those with the highest scores.



[After change]

Selection will be conducted comprehensively based on the oral examination, English proficiency (Scores of TOEFL iBT, TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, or IELTS Academic Module), and the submitted application documents.

Changes to the entrance examination for transferring into the third year of the doctoral program in the
Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, Osaka University

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1. The minimum required scores of the English proficiency tests (TOEFL iBT, TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, IELTS Academic Module)

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