

Yokohama National University  
**YNU-SPRING-WIDE (Working adult & International student Diversity Education) students recruitment(for spring selection in 2026)**  
 ~Training project of Inclusive leadership to be able to drives sustainable innovation

In this project, we will select outstanding doctoral students, including international students and working adult students with demonstrated international or social diversity, who will lead sustainable innovation in Japan, and provide financial support for research.



An environment where highly motivated doctoral students can study safely



Developing the ability to express oneself to choose from a variety of career



Advanced expertise that can be used in a wide range of fields and sectors

### Inclusive Leadership

Ability to create new value by fostering and building an environment of DEI&B (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging) and collaborating with members with diverse backgrounds and personalities.

### Financial Support

#### Annual amount

Research grant

JPY 340, 000

### Detail of program

For more information about the YNU-SPRING-WIDE Program and the SILVER minor program, please use the right links.

### Task of fellow

- (1) Further explore your own research.
- (2) Completing the SILVER minor programs designated by project.
- (3) Voluntary manage research grant and promote of fair research activities.
- (4) Handle research findings according to YNU's rules and make efforts to protect intellectual property rights.
- (5) Register in the dedicated matching system for "[Cooperative Education through Research Internships](#)". (Registration is not required for working adult students.)
- (6) Cooperate with investigation requests after the completion of this project.



Detail of the YNU-SPRING-WIDE Program (Japanese only)



Detail of the SILVER minor program (Japanese only)

### Recruitment details/Application method

**Deadline: 12:00, 20 April**

#### Recruitment for this year

Applicable to students entering in April 2026

- (1) Primarily International Students  
: Approximately One student
- (2) Primarily working Working Adult Students  
: Approximately 2 students

#### Qualification requirements

Those who enrolled in the doctoral program at Yokohama National University, having entered in April 2026, and who meet the eligibility requirements specified in "5. Eligibility" of the Application guideline. However, applicants who fall under any of the following are not eligible.

1. Those receiving research funding from government or other sources for independent, challenging, and interdisciplinary research similar in purpose to that of Program SPRING. (e.g. BOOST, Special Postdoctoral Researchers of JSPS, JICA-supported international students.)
2. Those receiving scholarships from national or private organizations that explicitly prohibit receiving additional funding beyond the scholarship.
3. Students on leave of absence.

#### Application method

Please download the Recruitment guidelines and Application form from the link of the icon below, understand the recruitment details, and then fill out your application.

Applications may be submitted in either Japanese or English.



Application guideline



Application form  
(link to Google drive)

Once you have completed your application form, convert them to PDF files, change the file name to "Form 1 Application\_Graduate School\_Applicant's Name.pdf" and "Form 2 Application\_Graduate School\_Applicant's Name.pdf", and then submit them using the form linked in the icon below.



Submission site of YNU-SPRING-WIDE program

After you have completed your application, the responsible department will ask your supervisor to approve your application to YNU-SPRING-WIDE, so please be sure to discuss the matter thoroughly in advance with your supervisor before applying.

#### Application method and schedule

Application period: March 30 - April 20 12:00  
 Notification of document screening: by May 18  
 Interview screening: : May 19 – May 21  
 Notification of acceptance: by June 5

#### Application briefing

An online application briefing will be held on Wednesday, April 8, from 12:00 to 13:00. No pre-registration is required. Please join the session at the scheduled time using either the link below or the meeting information.



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