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Application documents: Program for Developing and Supporting the Next-Generation of Innovative Researchers at Hiroshima University

Applicant's Full Name 〔   〕

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2. Research Plan The proposal document should be prepared with consideration that it will be reviewed from diverse viewpoints by a review committee consisting of reviewers with different backgrounds.

(1) Positioning of this research
Please describe the positioning of this research to be conducted as a Next-Generation Fellows, including the trends related in the field, background of any issues, and the circumstances that led to the conceptualization of this research.

*Descriptions should be written within 1 page. Changes/additions to the form are not allowed. Please do not erase the instructions (the boxed article).

Research Plan (continued) The proposal document should be prepared with consideration that it will be reviewed from diverse viewpoints by a review committee consisting of reviewers with different backgrounds.

(2) Purpose and contents of research
1) Please state the purpose, method, and contents of the research you will conduct as a Next-Generation Fellows.
2) Specifically describe what type of plan it is, and what will be clarified and to what extent will it be pursued.
3) State the characteristics, novelty, and originality of the Research Plan. (Please include comparisons with previous researches, the expected impact of the research upon completion, and future prospects.)
4) Within the research activities of your research unit/group, please clarify the parts that you will be responsible for.
5) If you have plans to engage in research in a different research institution (including an overseas research institution) during the period of the Research Plan, please describe it.

*There is no word limit for each item, but descriptions should be given within 2 pages. Changes/additions to the form are not allowed. Please do not erase the instructions (the boxed article).

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3. Self-Analysis of Research Performance

In addition to the research plan described in this application form, please describe specific information on (1) "Strengths as a researcher" and (2) "Necessary elements for further development as a researcher" in the relevant field, based on the research experiences in which you have been involved.
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4. Intended image of a researcher in the future

The " Program for Developing and Supporting the Next-Generation of Innovative Researchers at Hiroshima University " aims at making the doctoral course students leap forward by support and foster so that they can contribute to the future of Japanese science and technology and innovation and who will be future leaders of the world.   In light of this purpose, please describe (1) "the intended image of a researcher in the future," (2) "the positioning of the research activities you will conduct during the period of a research fellow toward the intended image of the researcher in the future".

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5. Contribution to Science, Technology and Innovation in Japan

In your presently envisioned career plan, please describe how you will contribute to science, technology, and innovation in Japan after obtaining your doctoral degree (especially for the first 10 years after obtaining your doctoral degree)

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(1) What career path do you foresee after completing your doctoral degree?

How/to what extent you will contribute to Japan's future science, technology, and innovation through the career plan mentioned above?

Check Sheet for the application document before submission ✓

*This Check Sheet must also be completed and submitted along with the application documents.

Items in the document	Contents	check box
【Research Plan】 (1) Positioning of this research	Font Size should be 11 or larger.	☐
	Should be written within 1 page with adequate amount of text. No changes/No additions to the form	☐
【Research Plan】 (2) Purpose and contents of research	Font Size should be 11 or larger.	☐
	Should be written within 2 pages with adequate amount of text. No changes/No additions to the form	☐
【Self-Analysis of Research Performance】	Font Size should be 11 or larger.	☐
	Should be written within 2 pages with adequate amount of text. No changes/No additions to the form	☐
【Intended image of a researcher in the future】	Font Size should be 11 or larger.	☐
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【Contribution to Science, Technology and Innovation in Japan】	Font Size should be 11 or larger.	☐
	Should be written within 1 page with adequate amount of text. No changes/No additions to the form	☐
Alignment with Academic Supervisors	• The application document has been created on consulting with supervisors. Or supervisors have already recognized the content of the application document. • Applicants should have an intention to be directly involved in the creation of science, technology and innovation in Japan even after obtaining a PhD degree at Hiroshima University.	☐

Please check the below box in agreement with your academic supervisor.

Have reviewed the above contents.	☐

Affiliation of academic supervisor	
Full name of academic supervisor	

※ No need the signature of your academic supervisor

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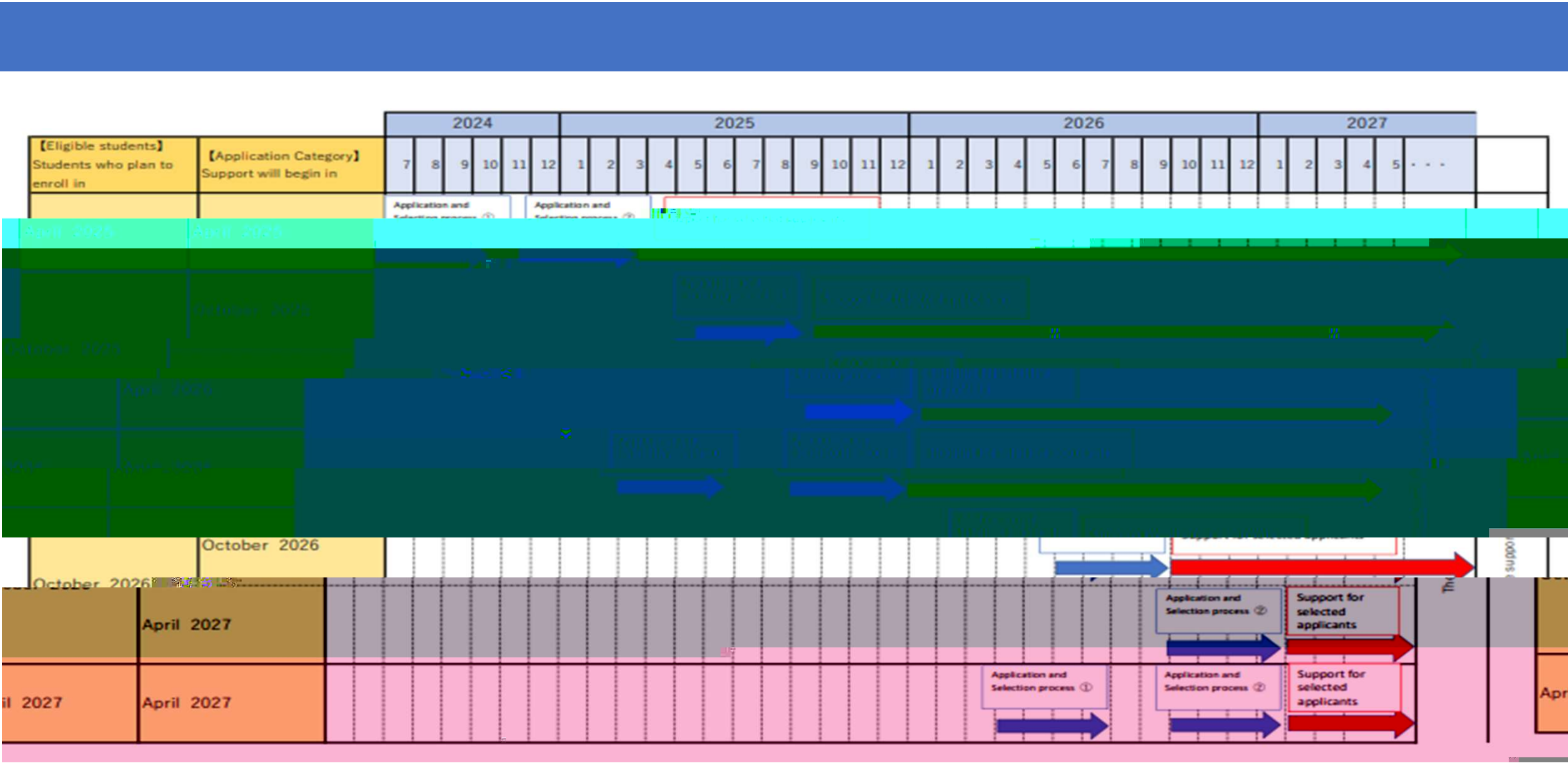Obligations of Fellows

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Please check the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

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Application and Selection process ①

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Support for selected applicants

April 2025

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