

2023 Autumn Admission for Eikei University of Hiroshima
(Selection of International Students/
Integrated Selection of Japanese Students in English)
First Window

Short Essay Question

Select one of the following three SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) and discuss it in relation to an issue affecting the area in which you live or the community to which you belong.

3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

Include the following elements in your essay:

- 1) The necessary background and current status of the issue you are addressing, supported by data and examples
- 2) Explanation of existing positions, opinions, or arguments regarding the issue presented in 1)
- 3) Your own ideas on the issue and on the positions, opinions, or arguments discussed in 1) and 2)

You may focus on one of the targets linked to the SDG you selected. Refer to the goals and targets on the United Nations website: <https://sdgs.un.org/goals#goals>

Provide citations for the essay's data, examples, positions, and arguments, and attach a list of references.

Detailed Instructions

- The length of the essay must be within two A4-size pages with 12pt font in the university template (not counting the list of references).
- Write your “Selected Goal or Target” and the “Essay Title” in the template.
- The following is a model outline for your essay. Include each element in the order indicated here. Note that section titles for these elements are **not** required.

Elements	Contents and points of preparation
Introduction	Explain the subject or purpose of your essay and indicate what you will be discussing.
1) Explanation of the relevant issue in your area or community	Provide the necessary background and current status of the issue you are addressing, supported by data and examples. Do not include an explanation of the SDGs or the selected targets themselves.
2) Explanation of one or more positions on the issue	Explain existing positions, opinions, or arguments regarding the issue presented in 1). You may compare multiple positions or examine one position in depth.
3) Your own ideas about the issue	Express your ideas on the issue discussed in 1) and your ideas on the positions, opinions, or arguments discussed in 2).
Conclusion	Summarize your entire essay by reflecting on the subject or purpose you set forth in the Introduction. Do not include new data or assertions in the conclusion.
References	List any references, documents, websites, etc. that you have cited. You do not need to follow a specific style guide, but please present the list of references in a consistent manner. For examples of consistent citation styles, you may refer to MLA Style (https://style.mla.org/works-cited/citations-by-format/) or APA Style (https://apastyle.apa.org/style-grammar-guidelines/references). Note that points will not be deducted for not following these styles.

Evaluation Criteria

The University will evaluate essays based on the following criteria.

Items	What We Evaluate	Admission Policy
Basic Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the essay within the specified page limit? • Is the designated form used? • Does the essay follow the assignment instructions? • Is it written in an easy-to-read style with appropriate grammar and spelling? 	-
Attitudes and Perspectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the essay explain the current situation and issue, using appropriate data and materials? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broad vision • Strong interest in inquiring about various cultures, histories, societies both at home and abroad, and international relations
Academic Abilities and Their Expression	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the essay express your own ideas based on different positions and viewpoints? • Is the essay logical and persuasive? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic academic skills • Willingness to learn • Positive attitude toward studying with a sense of purpose and a vision for the future • Positive attitude toward actively communicating with others
Motivation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the essay express your willingness to engage with global issues, connecting them with issues close to home? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willingness to strengthen one's ability • Willingness to contribute to society • Positive attitude toward taking initiative and involving others in addressing various challenges
Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Originality and creativity 	-