≪ Nagoya University Young Leaders Cultivation Program FAQ ≫

◆ Eligibility requirements

- [Q1] Are there any restrictions on the research field?
- [A1] As described in the application guidelines, all research fields are eligible.
- [Q2] Am I eligible to apply if I am currently working as a researcher at a different institution?
- [A2] You can apply as long as you meet the eligibility requirements described in the application guidelines. However, you may not work for both Nagoya University and another institution at the same time, so you will be asked to resign from positions at other institutions if you are employed by this program.
- [Q3] Are there any age restrictions?
- [A3] No. You can apply as long as you meet the eligibility requirements described in the application guidelines.
- [Q4] Am I still eligible to apply if I obtained a doctoral degree after withdrawing from a doctoral program with all the course requirements completed?
- [A4] If you have completed a doctoral program and obtained a doctoral degree, the date of doctoral program completion does not necessarily have to match the date of doctoral degree acquisition.
- [Q5] If I have no postdoctoral experience (such as a Research Fellowship for Young Researchers of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science), am I eligible to apply?
- [A5] You may apply, as experience is not a prerequisite.
- [Q6] Can I apply if I have never interacted with Nagoya University faculty members?
- [A6] It is possible to apply, but one of the conditions for application is that a Nagoya University faculty member must serve as your host faculty member. Therefore, please search for a faculty member close to your field of specialization via the University's website and request them to be your host.

 Alternatively, you could find one of our faculty members by asking for an introduction from a faculty member at another institution or through other method.

♦ Host faculty member

- [Q7] Can I serve as a host faculty member if I hold a non-professor position (associate professor, lecturer, or assistant professor)?
- [A7] You can serve as a host faculty member if you are a faculty member employed at Nagoya University and are not an emeritus professor, fixed-term faculty member, or tenure-track assistant professor. However, it will be necessary to obtain approval from the head of the host department at the time of application.

- [Q8] Can a faculty member serve as a host faculty member if they plan to resign or retire before the end of the term of appointment of the YLC faculty member?
- [A8] You are eligible to serve as a host faculty member even if you plan to resign or retire during the YLC faculty member's term of appointment, provided you are a Nagoya University faculty member and meet the hosting requirements at the time of application. However, a replacement host faculty member must be appointed in the host department before you resign or retire.

♦ Host department

- [Q9] Is pre-application screening necessary within the host department?
- [A9] Please check with the head of the department, as this is handled differently depending on the department.
- [Q10] Does "head of the department" mean the dean of the graduate school or the head of the department?
- [A10] It means the dean of the graduate school. Please check with the host department, as some departments may require prior approval from the department.
- [Q11] Are there any expenses that are to be covered by the host department?
- [A11] All expenses other than salary, such as relocation fees, are to be covered by the host department to which you are assigned.

◆ Application documents

- [Q12] Can I ask questions about the contents of the application form?
- [A12] We respect the interpretations of the applicants and therefore will not respond to inquiries about specific contents.
- [Q13] Are there any restrictions on the languages to be used to fill out the application form?
- [A13] Please fill it out in Japanese or English.
- [Q14] Although a copy of one's diploma is listed as a document to be submitted, is it possible to substitute a certificate of degree acquisition for this?
- [A14] In principle, while we ask for submission of a copy of one's diploma, substitution is possible when unavoidable if the name of the applicant, institution that granted the degree, name of the degree, and date of degree acquisition can be confirmed on the certificate. Note that it is not necessary to submit a copy of a Master's degree.
- [Q15] The Academic History and Employment History sections of the application form are too small. Can I add a separate sheet?
- [A15] Modification of the format and the addition of pages are not permitted. Please enter only significant portions of your academic and employment histories.

- [Q16] Is it okay to modify the format of the application form, such as to add pages?
- [A16] Modification of the format and the addition of pages are not permitted. Please ensure that all entries fit within the prescribed number of pages.
- [Q17] How do I submit proof of acceptance documents for research accepted for publication among my research achievements?
- [A17] Please check the serial numbers shown in the Research Achievements section, and write them down on the upper right side of proof of acceptance documents, and submit them as PDF files together with the application form.
- [Q18] Are there any restrictions on the languages to be used for three significant research achievements (papers and other achievements)?
- [A18] You can use a language other than Japanese or English for them. In such a case, however, you need to submit them together with the summary written in Japanese or English.
- [Q19] Can researchers living outside Japan be the originator of the Letter of Recommendation (researchers in one's field of specialization)?
- [A19] Yes. They can be such originators regardless of their country of residence or nationality, as long as they can make an objective evaluation.
- [Q20] I submitted my application documents on the last day of the application period, but I have not received a reply to confirm receipt. What should I do?
- [A20] Due to the high volume of applications received on the last day of the application period every year, it inevitably takes a long time to notify applicants of receipt. Rest assured, we will contact you on the last day of the application period. Please either wait for our contact or submit your application well in advance. If you have not received a reply by the day following the application period's end, please contact us at ylc@t.mail.nagoya-u.ac.jp.

◆ YLC Program

- [Q21] Will recruitment for the YLC program be repeated in the next academic year?
- [A21] It has not been decided yet.