

Requirements for application and roles

status	position	Eligibility for application Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research	Principal Investigator	Co-Investigator	Research Collaborator
Full-time	Prof., Assoc.Prof. Assist. Prof. Assistant	○	○	○	○
Shokutaku (1-year contract)	Lecturer Assist. Prof. Assistant	○	○	○	○
Special-contract Professor (1-year contract)	Prof.	○	○	○	○
Tokunin-kyouin (Faculty Member by Special Appointment)	Prof., Assoc.Prof. Assist. Prof.	○	○	○	○
Researcher (1 to 4-year contract)	Special Researcher	○	○	○	○
Project Post-Doctoral fellow (PJPD)		○ * qualification requirement (①)	○	○	○
Visiting Professor Visiting Researcher		×	×	×	○
Part-time (1-year contract)	Lecturer Assistant	×	×	×	○
Collaborative Researcher (Faculties, Research Institutes independently)		×	×	×	○
Individual specially approved by President	KAKENHI Research Fellow (☆)	○ * qualification requirement (②)	○	△*③	○
JSPS PD/RPD/CPD Research Fellow		○*④	○*④	○	○
JSPS DC Research Fellow		△*⑤	△*⑤	○*⑥	○

☆If you are selected as Principle Investigator for KAKENHI.

(1) Principal Investigator

A subsidized project operator (NB); takes full responsibility for all operations to implement the research project (includes summarizing research achievements)

(2) Co-Investigator

A subsidized project operator (NB); works in cooperation with the Principal Investigator to carry out the research and shares responsibility for subsidized project; must meet the application requirements and receives allotted share of fund. (If the Co-Investigator belongs to the same institution as the Principal Investigator, they must receive allotted fund.

(3) Research Collaborator

A researcher other than the Principal Investigator, who works in collaboration to conduct the research project but does not need to meet the application requirements. (e.g.: JSPS Research Fellow, Researchers belonging to overseas research institutions (collaborator of joint international research), researchers belonging to companies who do not meet the application requirements etc.

(NB) Principal Investigator and Co-Investigator are subsidized project operators as stipulated in the “Act on Regulation of Execution of Budget Pertaining to Subsidies, etc.”(Law No. 179, 1955). If they are engaged in research misconduct or improper use of grant fund, they will lose their eligibility for application (not eligible to apply for receipt of funding).

(Note)

*① Qualifications for "Project Postdoctoral Fellow":

To be eligible, all of the following conditions must be met:

- (1) When conducting research activities at Sophia university, it must be possible to clearly distinguish between the duties of the project and the research activities funded by KAKENHI, and sufficient time must be secured for this purpose.
- (2) In addition to the employment contract with the faculty, a memorandum of understanding that includes the following items must be concluded and adhered to:
 - a. Approval of the research project leader as specified in the employment contract.
 - b. If conducting research other than the duties specified in the employment contract, the research must be completed within the employment period.

*② Qualifications for "Individual specially approved by President":

Fulfillment of Any of the Following Conditions:

- (1) Individuals who were selected for "University-affiliated PD" or "JSPS Special Research Fellow PD, CPD, and RPD" at Sophia university and were selected to KAKENHI during their employment period, but the research period of KAKENHI exceeds the employment period, and they have no primary position after the employment period ends. In this case, they will be accepted as researchers at Sophia university with the status of "KAKEN Research Fellow" until the end of the KAKENHI research period.
- (2) Individuals who were selected for "University-affiliated PD" or "JSPS Special Research Fellow PD, CPD, and RPD" at Sophia university and have no primary position after the employment period ends. In this case, they will be eligible to apply for KAKENHI within three years after the end of the employment period. If selected, they will be accepted as researchers at Sophia university with the status of "KAKEN Research Fellow."

An application for *① and ② must be submitted by the applicant each fiscal year. For details, please contact the Center for Research Promotion & Support.

*③ If a KAKENHI research Fellow and have a project accepted as a Principle Investigator.

*④ JSPS Special Research Fellows (PD/RPD/CPD) Can Apply for as Principal Investigators:

Publicly Offered Research under the Transformative Research Areas (A) / Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (B, C) /

Challenging Research (Exploratory) / Early-Career Scientists / Fund for the Promotion of Joint International Research (Fostering Joint International Research)

If you apply for and are awarded any of these grants, you must submit the "Research Fund Receipt Report (JSPS Form 5-6)" available on the [JSPS My Page] to the JSPS.

*⑤ JSPS DC Research Fellows can apply as Principal Investigators:

Fund for the Promotion of Joint International Research (Fostering Joint International Research)

If you apply for and are awarded any of this grant, you must submit the "Research Fund Receipt Report (JSPS Form 5-6)" available on the [JSPS My Page] to the JSPS.

*⑥ From FY2023, JSPS DC Research Fellows can participate in KAKENHI as a Co-Investigator.