

Examination Schedule

October 2025 Admission

Type of Examination	Application Period (The application must be postmarked within the period)	Examination Period (The designated one day of the following period)	Date of Notification of Admission Decision
Regular Examination	May 28 - June 10, 2025	July 5 - 6, 2025	July 18, 2025
Special Examination on a Rolling Basis	Three weeks before your preferred examination date ※The final deadline: May 30, 2025	May 7 – June 26, 2025 excluding weekends and public holidays	As separately specified
Examination for Admission on Recommendation for Overseas Residents	<div> <div>Submission deadline for pre-check: May 14, 2025</div> <div>Application period: May 7 - 30, 2025</div> </div>	Interview and Documentary screening	July 25, 2025

April 2026 Admission

Type of Examination	Application Period (The application must be postmarked within the period)		Examination Period (The designated one day of the following period)	Date of Notification of Admission Decision
Regular Examination	First Examination	May 28 - June 10, 2025	July 5 - 6, 2025	July 18, 2025
	Second Examination	September 1 - 12, 2025	October 11 - 12, 2025	October 24, 2025
	Third Examination	November 19 - December 2, 2025	January 10 - 11, 2026	January 23, 2026
Special Examination on a Rolling Basis	Three weeks before your preferred examination date ※The final deadline: January 30, 2026		July 28, 2025 – February 19, 2026 excluding weekends and public holidays	As separately specified
Examination for Admission on Recommendation for Overseas Residents	<div> <div>Submission deadline for pre-check: November 13, 2025</div> <div>Application period: November 5 - 27, 2025</div> </div>		Interview and Documentary screening	January 23, 2026

Note: Applicants who will graduate (or graduated) early from their university, and those who will complete (or completed) their bachelor's degree in a foreign country may be required to pass through the Judgment of Eligibility prior to applying. For details, please refer to the instructions for each type of examination.

Mission and Goals

Mission

JAIST endeavors to foster leaders capable of contributing to the making of a future world by creation of science and technology through its most advanced education and research in an ideal academic environment.

Goals

- JAIST develops leaders in society or industry who hold credible expertise in the frontier science and technology, broad perspectives, high level of autonomy and communication ability, through its systematic advanced graduate education.
- JAIST, to contribute to societies with research outcomes, creates a center of excellence for advancement of researches for solving problems of our world and society and develops new fields through a variety of basic researches.
- JAIST fosters active global human resources by promoting faculty and student exchanges with leading institutes overseas and globalizing its education and research.

Admission Policy

JAIST looks for students who possess a strong will and a clear sense of purpose in pursuing study and research in the fields of advanced science and technology based on Knowledge Science, Information Science and Materials Science, who are capable of expressing their own ideas logically, and who have an attitude to make efforts to produce mutual understanding through discussions. JAIST, as a university of postgraduate education without an undergraduate program, accepts applicants widely from bachelor's degree holders, international students and working professionals irrespective of their undergraduate major and background. Applicants are expected to have solid understanding of what they have studied in their undergraduate major field and to be prepared for study and research at JAIST.

In the light of the image of students stated above, JAIST screens applicants by evaluating their basic knowledge, ability, and aspiration necessary for carrying out study and research at JAIST based on a short essay on their research topic after admission, an oral examination (including an oral presentation and Q&A about basic knowledge and their undergraduate major field), and a transcript of their undergraduate level school.

In the evaluation, JAIST emphasizes the result of the oral examination and uses submitted documents as reference. As for the Admission on Recommendation, applicants are exempted from the oral examination and screened based on submitted documents including the short essay and the recommendations.

Diploma Policy

The Division of Advanced Science and Technology in the Graduate School of Advanced Science and Technology at JAIST sets its educational goal in cultivating innovative talents in advanced science and technology who can take active roles as leaders in society or industrial world with broad vision required in a sustainable society and communication ability in addition to specialization in advanced science and technology.

In the master's program, a master's degree in Knowledge Science, Information Science or Materials Science based on student's main academic fields will be conferred to those who have acquired the abilities listed below and have passed either the Master Thesis Examination and the Final Examination, or the Ph.D. Qualifying Examination after having obtained all the required credits.

Abilities to be acquired during the Master's Program

- Ability to understand fundamental concepts of advanced science and technology in the major field
- Ability to identify and solve problems by the application of specialized knowledge
- Ability to carry out academically and socially valuable research on their own initiative
- Ability to challenge a different field from the major or an unexplored field
- Ability to comprehend diverse cultures and ability to communicate
- High ethical perspectives as a researcher or an engineer

Main Academic Fields

Knowledge Science: An academic field that integrates knowledge of design methodology, business management, system science and others related to issues of human, organizations or society, proposes attractive solutions to the issues, and contemplate how to materialize the solutions

Information Science: An academic field that aims to solve problems for humanity and society, pioneer unexplored fields, and produce new innovative basic theories, basic technologies and applications about information processing and communication that supports the information society

Materials Science: An academic field that produces new and innovative materials by aiming at solving for humanity and society and pioneering unexplored fields based on physics, chemistry, biology and their relevant science and technology

Outlines and Keywords of Research Areas

Research Areas	Outlines	Keywords
AI Wisdom Research Area	Exploring and uncovering the essence of wisdom and intelligence, researching AI that evolves with humanity, and expanding the potential of wisdom.	Wisdom Science, Computational Theory of Wisdom, AI for Science, Human-Centered AI, Human-AI Interaction, Knowledge Structuring, Natural Language Processing, Materials Informatics, Soft Robotics, Physical Intelligence, Computer Graphics, Image Generation AI, Human Augmentation, Multimodal Interaction, Social Signal Processing
Social System Management Research Area	Wisdom changes organisations and drives society. Through research, go to the forefront of human wisdom. With theory and practice, let's design a new era.	Knowledge management, technology management, service management, advanced science and technology policy, human wisdom, system design, well-being, public intelligence, risk innovation, disaster management, urban planning, sustainability, circular economy, resource management, service design anthropology, medical policy, business ethnography
Social Data and Media Research Area	Adventures of Knowing! Pioneering the Future of Data Science, Media, and Culture. Exploration of the Mind and Body, Information Technologies, and Social Systems through Creative Imagination.	Knowledge Sciences, Data Science, Interaction, Cybernetics, Artificial Intelligence, Multimedia, AR/MR/VR, Decision Science, Psychology, Cognitive Science, Educational Technology, Analytic Philosophy, Mathematical Sciences, Environmental Science, System Science, Network Science, Cultural Evolution, Persuasive Technology, Computer-Supported Cooperative Work, Creativity, Collective Intelligence, STEAM education
Computing Science Research Area	Study computation, know the limits of computation, and unveil methods of the right conclusion from an ocean of data.	Information Science, Cryptography and Information Security, Mathematical Logic, Artificial Intelligence, Automated Theorem Proving, Formal Methods, Theoretical Computer Science, Data Science, Distributed System, Algorithms, Information Theory
Next-generation Digital Infrastructure Research Area	Promoting research on next-generation information systems to enable future society and support human development.	Smart City, Cyber security, IoT, Internet, Information Systems, Embedded Systems, Software Engineering, Formal Methods, Next-generation Wireless and sensor Communications, VSLI Design, AI Platform
Human Information Science Research Area	Innovating mechanisms of human information processing and applying them to the advanced information processing systems.	Perceptual and Intelligent Information Processing, Social Signal Processing, Multimodality, Communication, Education/Learning Technology, Game Informatics, Natural Language Processing, Audio/speech Signal Processing, Image/video Signal Processing, Human Interface, Intelligent Robotics
Medical Science Research Area	Creating the future, at the forefront of medical materials innovation.	Biomaterials, Drug delivery systems, Tissue engineering, Nanomedicine, Precision medicine, Cell therapy, Next-generation cancer treatment, Anti-aging
Materials Chemistry Frontiers Research Area	Explore frontiers of materials chemistry for sustainable and wealthy society.	Carbon neutral, human well-being, energy-related materials, environmentally friendly materials, green chemistry, functional nanomaterials, polymers, catalysts, materials informatics, advanced measurement and analysis
Nanomaterials and Devices Research Area	Realization of a well-being society by promoting the cutting-edge science and technology of nanomaterial devices.	Nanoparticles x Bio Energy, Nanowires x Spin Devices, 2D Materials x Advanced Microscopy, Thermoelectric Materials, Nanoimaging x Spectroscopy, Spintronics x Quantum Sensing, Semiconductor Electronics x Device Measurement Technology, Organic Devices x Operando Analysis, Solar Cells x Longer Lifespan, Materials Science x DX
Bioscience, Biotechnology, and Biomedical Engineering Research Area	We will investigate cutting-edge technologies based on understanding of biological functions, and develop their applications in biomedical fields.	Biotechnology, Biomedical, Protein, DNA/RNA, Biomembrane, Sugar Chain, Biomolecular Analysis, Artificial Biomolecule Creation, Biodevice, Gene Editing, Molecular Robotics