

Q&A Regarding the Revision of Residence Fees

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Department of Student Affairs, University of Tsukuba

Q1 When will the revised residence fees take effect?

A1 The revised residence fees will take effect on April 1, 2027.

However, residents of the Short-Stay House (SSH) or Global Village who have been granted permission to stay for a period extending beyond Academic Year 2026 will continue to be charged the current rates until the end of their approved residence period.

If you are unsure of your approved residence period, please contact the Residence Administration Office.

Example: If your approved residence period is from April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2028, the current residence fees will continue to apply until March 31, 2028.

Q2 What procedures are required if I wish to continue living in a residence hall next academic year?

A2 An application process for current students will be conducted.

Details will be announced around late October.

Q3 My permitted period of residence expires at the end of AY 2026. What residence fees will apply after 1st April 2027 if I am permitted to continue living in the residence hall?

A3 The revised residence fees will apply. This is because continued residence is treated as a new permission for residence, even if you continue living in the same room.

Q4 Can I move to the lower-cost room next academic year?

A4 Information regarding the application process for current students will be announced around late October. At that time, please contact the office listed at the end of this document.

We will make every effort to accommodate your request.

Q5 I will graduate from/finish the university in the middle of AY 2027, but my current permitted period of residence ends in AY 2026. Can I continue living in the residence hall until my graduation/finishing?

A5 Information regarding the application process for current students will be announced around late October.

Please contact the office listed at the end of this document at that time. If this situation arises after the application period has closed, please contact us as soon as possible.

Please note that the revised residence fees will apply during any extended period of residence.

Q6 When will an air conditioner be installed?

A6 The University began to procure air conditioners during the current academic year and will continue installing them in phases. We are working to ensure that rooms requiring air conditioning are equipped by the summer of 2027.

Regarding rooms where an air conditioner has not yet been installed, 2,500 yen will be deducted from the monthly residence fee from April 2027 until the University installs an air conditioner in the room.

Q7 I currently use a rental air conditioner that I arranged by myself. If I am allowed to live there next academic year, can I continue to use it?

A7 Yes. If you are permitted to live continuously and wish to continue using a rental air conditioner that you arranged by yourself, the University will not install an air conditioner in your room during your period of residence.

In this case, 2,500 yen will be deducted from the monthly residence fee.

We plan to ask residents about their preferences regarding air conditioner arrangements during the application process for current students, which is scheduled for around late October.

Q8 I'd like to continue living in the residence hall next academic year but I do not wish to have an air conditioner installed by the University. What will happen in this case?

A8 The same arrangement described in A7 will apply.

Q9 I currently use a rental air conditioner that I arranged by myself, and plan to move out this academic year. In this case, what should I do with the rental air conditioner?

A9 The case is currently under consideration, and we will provide further information once a decision has been made. For the purposes of this FAQ, a "rental air conditioner" refers to a standard room air conditioner. If you have a rental window air conditioner or other similar equipment, you must remove it before moving out in accordance with the terms of your rental agreement.

Q10 I currently use an air conditioner that I purchased by myself, and I plan to move out this academic year. In this case, what should I do with it?

A10 You must remove it by yourself by the date of moving out.

Q11 I applied for an air conditioner installation by the University this summer and had it installed. How about the charges for use if I am permitted to live continuously next academic year?

A11 Currently, residents pay 2,500 yen per month as the charge for use. However, beginning in April 2027, this cost will be included in the revised residence fees, and no additional payment will be required.

Q12 Is there financial support for residents?

A12 Yes. Regardless of whether a student lives in University housing, various forms of financial assistance are available, including tuition and admission fee exemptions, tuition fees deferment, and scholarships.

Regarding scholarships, there are approximately 200 scholarships provided by private organizations and local governments in addition to scholarships of Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO). The University also offers its own scholarship program "Tsukuba Scholarship". Students seeking advice based on their individual circumstances are encouraged to consult the Division of Student Welfare or other relevant offices.

(Official website for University of Tsukuba: support-scholarship)

<https://www.tsukuba.ac.jp/en/campuslife/support-scholarship/>

Q13 What are the residence fees for barrier-free rooms?

A13 The residence fees of Ichinoya Bldg. 32 and 33 that have barrier-free rooms will be 92,750 yen per month. If a student with a disability is determined to require a barrier-free room, they should pay 51,980 yen per month and the University will support the difference.

Q14 What procedures are required to receive support for the residence fees for a barrier-free room?

A14 First, please consult the Bureau of Human Empowerment (BHE) regarding academic accommodation support. After that, please submit an application using the prescribed form.

Support will be provided if, based on BHE's professional assessment, the Vice

President for Student Affairs determines that residence in a barrier-free room is necessary.

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