

Like 'research'. Want to deepen 'research'.

What does the future hold beyond 'research'?

Kanazawa University will do its utmost to support such desires.

Open the door to becoming a doctoral talent with HaKaSe⁺.

**Selection
in October,
FY2025**

Individual Projects

1 SPRING Project for Doctoral Talents in Creating Novel Values

HaKaSe⁺ for SPRING

Target for Support

All Divisions with Doctoral Level Section of
Integrated Course / Doctoral Courses

- This project fosters innovative doctoral talents in KU co-educational environment through co-creation and exchanges of knowledge, who can develop their advanced expertise in diverse sectors and fields of society, and create novel values for the future.
- This project focuses on supporting excellent and aspiring doctoral students with a wide view that transcends their own research field, as well as attitude and capability to take on challenges to face social issues. These doctoral talents are expected to contribute to the progress of science and technology, and the creation of innovations not only in Japan but around the world.

2 BOOST Project for Trailblazing AI Crossover Doctoral Talents

HaKaSe⁺ for BOOST

Target for Support

All Divisions with Doctoral Level Section of
Integrated Course / Doctoral Courses

- This project fosters doctoral talents who promote cutting-edge AI theoretical research and AI applied research in various research fields, backed by advanced AI knowledge and skills, and lead next-generation AI research and development.
- This project provides support for truly talented doctoral students having the qualifications to take on challenges in the AI academic field with an inquisitive spirit and advance creative AI research.

NOT accept applications in October 2025

3 Preliminary Selection of Kanazawa University Strategic Project for Development of Doctoral Students and Research Promotion

Preliminary Selection of
HaKaSe⁺

Target for Support

All Divisions with Master's Level Section of
Integrated Course / Master's Courses

- This is a system that supports students enrolling in the Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course, who wish to play an active role after obtaining a doctoral degree, and who pledge to go on to the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course of KU after finishing the Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course; they are considered as preliminary awardees.
- Preliminary awardees are entitled to exemption from admission and tuition fees while enrolled in the Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course.

WISE Program for Nano-Precision Medicine, Science, and Technology

HaKaSe⁺ for WISE

New adoption was terminated after adoption for April 2025. Applications will not be accepted from October 2025 onwards.

**M, Master's Level Section of Integrated Course /
Master's Course; D, Doctoral Level Section of
Integrated Course; MD, 4-year Doctoral Course**

Supports

**Cultivation of interdisciplinary
and internationality**

Career Development Support

Financial Support

Application

July 17, 2025 -

**Noon [JST] on
August 4, 2025
[Must arrive]**

HaKaSe⁺ Website



Outline of the Support from the Project

HaKaSe⁺

➡ Be sure to confirm the Application Guidelines for details.

			SPRING Project for Doctoral Talents in Creating Novel Values (HaKaSe ⁺ for SPRING)	BOOST Project for Trailblazing AI Crossover Doctoral Talents (HaKaSe ⁺ for BOOST)	Preliminary Selection of Kanazawa University Strategic Project for Development of Doctoral Students and Research Promotion (Preliminary Selection of HaKaSe ⁺)
Funding Agency			Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)	Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)	Unique system of Kanazawa University
Content of project			Support for research and career formation	Promoting cultivation of doctoral talents and cutting- edge research and development in both AI field and emerging/integrated areas in AI field (Next-generation AI field)	Financial support for those who pledge to go on to the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course of Kanazawa University
Final year of new recruitment			FY2026	FY2026	—
Capacity			160 (Total for the year)	1/fiscal year	ca. 10/fiscal year
Support period (in principle)			Within standard period of Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course or of 4-year Doctoral Course	Within standard period of Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course or of 4-year Doctoral Course	Within standard period of Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course
Applicable course <div>As of October 1, 2025</div>	Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course		NA	HaKaSe ⁺ for BOOST will NOT accept applications in October 2025.	✓ (Only for those enrolled for less than 12 months) Japanese students only
	Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course		✓		NA
	4-year Doctoral Course		✓		NA
Outline of financial support contents <div>Apply to FY2025</div>	Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course	Grant for living expenses per month			—
		RA salary			—
	Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course	Grant for living expenses per month	180,000 yen	250,000 yen	
		Research fund per year	400,000 yen	900,000 yen	
	Support for travel expenses, etc.		Support unique to the project available	Support unique to the project available	—
	Exemption of Admission fee		—	—	Full exemption (Only for those enrolling in the year and month of adoption)
	Exemption of Tuition fee		Half exemption	Half exemption	Full exemption
Obligations of awardees Note: Read and confirm the details of Application Guidelines			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awardees are to concentrate on their study and research, present research achievements in academic conferences and academic journals, and complete doctoral course of Kanazawa University within standard period of course.• Awardees are to participate in programs for improving research capability and career development, and to respond to participant surveys and follow-up. The selection of the program to participate and the number of times of participation must meet the requirements indicated separately by HaKaSe ⁺ . <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awardees are to report the progress and the results of the research every fiscal year. [International students] In the case of international students, they must pledge that they are to be employed at a Japanese company, university, research entity, etc. (including overseas subsidiary) or an internationally affiliated company in Japan for 3 years or more after completing the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course of Kanazawa University.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awardees are to concentrate on their study and research, present research achievements in academic conferences and academic journals, and complete doctoral course of Kanazawa University within standard period of course.• Awardees are to participate in "AI theoretical education", "AI lectures and practical training", "AI catch-up seminars", and "AI research exchanges" conducted by HaKaSe⁺ for BOOST.• Awardees are to present AI research in academic conferences and academic journals during the support period.• Awardees are willing to participate in programs for improving research capability and career development, and to respond to participant surveys and follow-up. The selection of the program to participate and the number of times of participation must meet the requirements indicated separately by HaKaSe ⁺ . <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awardees are to report the progress and the results of the research every fiscal year. [International students] In the case of international students, they must pledge that they are to be employed at a Japanese company, university, research entity, etc. (including overseas subsidiary) or an internationally affiliated company in Japan for 3 years or more after completing the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course of Kanazawa University.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preliminary awardees must pledge to go on to the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course of Kanazawa University and to play an active role after obtaining a doctoral degree.• After passing the entrance examination for the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course of the relevant division of graduate school of Kanazawa University, they are to take the Selection Screening of HaKaSe⁺.• Preliminary awardees who enroll in the Master's Level Section of Integrated Course are to complete the course with Qualifying Examination (QE).• Preliminary awardees are to concentrate on their study and research, present research achievements in academic conferences and academic journals, and complete doctoral course of Kanazawa University within standard period of course.• Awardees are to participate in programs for improving research capability and career development, and to respond to participant surveys and follow-up. The selection of the program to participate and the number of times of participation must meet the requirements indicated separately by HaKaSe ⁺ . <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preliminary awardees are to report the progress and the results of the research every fiscal year.