

## Application Guidelines for the FY2024 Okamura Award for Female Scientists

### 1. Outline of the Award

This award was established with funding from donation to the Education Supporters' Association by Chieko Okamura, a graduate of Osaka University of Commerce, which is one of the roots of Osaka Metropolitan University, to promote support for female researchers. Inheriting her wish, Osaka Metropolitan University aims to foster the next generation of excellent female researchers and to contribute\* to gender equality in the fields of academic research, by honoring female researchers at the University who have produced creative and ambitious works, to contribute gender equality.

\*For the purposes of this award, "contribution to gender equality" includes activities that promote gender equality in academic societies, departments, graduate schools, and local communities, as well as activities in which the applicant serves as a role model (e.g., demonstrating her own efforts in research and work-life balance to younger colleagues).

### 2. Award Categories

Category	Eligibility ※ Only female members affiliated with the University	Number of Awardees	Prize Details	Note
Encouragement Award for Graduate Students	Graduate Students	less than 4 people	Certificate and ¥50,000-	Includes JSPS Research Fellow DC1 and DC2
Encouragement Award	Postdoctoral researchers, specially appointed faculty (including medical lecturers), Junior and Senior clinician scientists* (*Rinsho-kenkyui)	1 person	Certificate and ¥50,000-	Includes JSPS Research Fellow PD and RPD
Special Award	Full-time faculty	1 person	Certificate and ¥100,000-	

### 3. Application Procedure and Submission

(1) Complete the "Okamura Award for Female Researcher Application Form," convert it into a PDF file, and submit it via the following link.

Application Form <https://forms.office.com/r/1WT70ZPLuJ>

\* Please ensure you are logged in to Office365 with your OMU account (@omu.ac.jp) before accessing the site.

## (2) Application period

Monday, July 1 - Friday, August 30, 2024

(Deadline for submission: 5:00 pm on Friday, August 30, 2024)

## 4. Selection Process and Notification of Selection Results

The screening is done by The Okamura Award Selection Committee, comprising representatives from the Support Office for Women Researchers and the Education Supporters' Association, and the Applicants will be notified of the selection results by the end of October.

## 5. Award Ceremony

The award ceremony is scheduled for Monday afternoon, December 2nd, at the Sugimoto Campus. The winners will be announced on the website of the Support Office for Women Researchers and other relevant platforms.

## 6. Prize Details

In addition to the award certificate, winners will receive an extra prize, with a portion of it funded by donation to the Education Supporters' Association.

## 7. Other matters

Only self-nominations will be accepted.

## 8. Enquiries

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