

Nomination of Candidates for University President (Official Announcement)

Overview

July 7, 2025

SOKENDAI President Nomination Committee

National University Corporation The Graduate University for Advanced Studies, SOKENDAI is now accepting nominations for university president in accordance with article 6.1 of its president selection guidelines.

Details

1. Reason for Selection

The term of the current university president will end on March 31, 2026.

2. Selection Criteria

As listed in Attachment 1 (University President Selection Criteria [Qualifications and Abilities])

3. Term of the President

The university president will serve a six-year term (April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2032). (in exceptional circumstances, they can serve up to one additional term)

4. Selection Schedule

As listed in Attachment 2 (Schedule of the Selection Process for University President)

5. Application Period

Applications must be submitted between July 14, 2025 (Monday) and September 1, 2025 (Monday) at 17:00

6. Nominees and Nominators

The entities listed in ①–⑤ below can nominate individuals who meet the selection criteria as nominees. However, nominations made by ⑤ require at least five nominators.

Also, each nominator can only nominate one individual as a candidate for president. If a nominator nominates multiple individuals, their nominations will be invalidated.

① President Nomination Committee Members ② Inter-University Research Institutes ③ Committees of Full-Time Research Institute Staff
④ Committees of Full-Time Administration Bureau Staff ⑤ Directors, Assigned Faculty Members, Research Institute Staff, and Administration Bureau Staff

7. Documentation to Submit (written in English or Japanese)

① Nomination Statement (Form 1 for the nominators in 6.①–④ and the nomination representatives in 6.⑤)

② Nomination Statement (Form 2 for nominators other than the nomination representatives in 6.⑤)

* For nominations under 6.⑤, separate nomination statements must be provided by at least 5 nominators.

* Note that the required forms differ for nomination representatives and other nominators.

- ③ Brief personal history of the nominee (Form 3)
- ④ Educational, research, and other work-related achievements (Form 4)
- ⑤ Letter of consent to be nominated as president (Form 5)
- ⑥ The nominee's hopes for the future of SOKENDAI's administration (about three A4-sized pages, no prescribed form)

Submission forms (in the university's prescribed format) can be downloaded from the President Nomination Committee section of the school's website.

- Regarding open recruitment, please refer to “Open Recruitment for University President Candidates (Official Announcement)_Overview.”

8. Place for Submissions and Inquiries

Legal Section, General Affairs Division, National University Corporation, Graduate University for Advanced Studies

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9. Submission Method

Either hand-deliver the above documentation or mail it via simplified registered mail. Please write “Contains Recruitment Documentation for a SOKENDAI University President Candidate” in red on the envelope.

* Please submit the documentation in a sealed envelope.

10. Miscellaneous

- Presentations from nomination representatives regarding their nominations

(optional)

September 19, 2025 (Friday) from 10:00 to 12:00 (at a venue within Tokyo)

- First interview date for university president candidates

October 9, 2025 (Thursday) from 10:00 to 12:00 (at a venue within Tokyo)

[Alternate Date] October 24 (Friday) from 13:00 to 17:00 (at a venue within Tokyo)

* Each person will have about 30 minutes within the above time slots.

- Submitted documents will not be returned.

(Nominating Candidates for University President)

- 6.1. Members of the President Nomination Committee shall nominate up to one individual to the committee as a candidate for university president (collectively, “**Nominees**”).
- 6.2. In addition to the nominations in the previous provision, the President Nomination Committee shall seek the nomination of up to one individual each from the inter-university research institutes defined in section 1 of the SOKENDAI school regulations (Regulation No. 1 of 2004), committees comprised of full-time research institute staff, and committees comprised of full-time administrative bureau staff. Five or more directors, assigned faculty members, research institute staff, and administrative office staff may also nominate a candidate for university president.
- 6.3. When nominating an individual in accordance with section 6.2, nominators shall submit a short personal history of the nominee as well as their educational and research achievements, a reason for their nomination, a form stating that the individual accepts the nomination, and any other documentation specified separately by the President Nomination Committee.