

Application for the Misasa International Student Intern Program 2008
Institute for study of the Earth's Interior, Okayama University, Misasa, Tottori, Japan

Instructions:

1. Complete and sign this form and send to us via airmail.
2. Arrange to have two reference letters signed and sent directly by the referees via airmail using the separate reference letter form.
3. Arrange to have an original official transcript of academic record for the currently enrolled program sent to us by airmail.
4. All application materials must be received by April 15, 2008 to be eligible.

For more details, see the separate information sheet.

Personal Information:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Full name in Chinese characters (if relevant): _____

Nationality: _____ Passport No. (for overseas only): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Home Address:

School Address:

Street: _____ Institution: _____

City: _____ Street: _____

State: _____ City: _____

Country: _____ Country: _____

Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Indicate your preferred address for contact:

1. Home address 2. School address

Education:

List all universities you have attended (including the currently enrolled program).

Institution	Start Date (year/month)	End Date (year/month)	Major	Degree (obtained or expected)

English proficiency:

Give a self-evaluation of your English communication skill: _____

Attach a copy of your English test (e.g. GRE, TOFEL, TOEIC) score sheet, if available.

Field of research during the intern program:

Mark the area(s) of research in which you would like to participate during the intern program (multiple choices OK):

Geochemistry and Geochronology (including major and trace element, and isotope analyses of Earth and planetary materials using ICP-MS, TIMS, SIMS, XRF, etc.)

High-pressure Experimental Mineral Physics (including high-pressure experiments using multi-anvil press, phase equilibrium, electrical conductivity, elasticity and rheological property measurements)

Crystal Chemistry and Magmalogy (including high-pressure experiments using DAC/multi-anvil press/IHPV, and NMR/Raman/IR spectroscopic measurements of minerals, melts and fluids, MD simulations and first-principles calculations)

Note that in principle you are expected to participate in an on-going project at ISEI. Bringing in your own thesis project is not encouraged.

Describe your reason(s) for choosing the area(s) of research mentioned above.

Personal Statements (in English or Japanese):

1. Describe your personal experience(s) that inspired you to learn and study advanced earth sciences. Examples may be (but are not limited to) lectures, lab experiments, field trips, and participation to a research project. Also describe your educational background in detail, including your graduate thesis if already completed (add an extra page if necessary).

2. Describe your career plan (including both your immediate plan after completing your current undergraduate or master's program and long-term career goal), and how this intern program may help achieve your goals (add an extra page if necessary).

Information of Referees:

Provide information below for two scientists (preferentially your current supervisor and departmental head) whom you have asked to write a reference letter for you. (Please be reminded that the reference letters should be prepared using the provided reference letter form and signed, and should be sent to us directly by the referees, but not by yourself.)

Last Name: _____

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

First Name: _____

Position: _____

Position: _____

Department: _____

Department: _____

Institution: _____

Institution: _____

E-mail: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Telephone: _____

Questionnaire:

To help improve this program in the future, please tell us how you have learnt about this intern program:

- 1. From a professor
- 2. From ISEI webpage
- 3. From EOS
- 4. From a public mailing list (please specify): _____
- 5. Others (please specify): _____

Certification:

I hereby certify that the information given on this application is complete and accurate. I understand that any misrepresentation may cause denial of my admission.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

(Please note that unsigned applications are invalid.)

Send all application materials to:

Ms. Yoshiko Nakano
 Secretary, Institute for Study of the Earth's Interior
 Okayama University, Misasa, Tottori, 682-0193 Japan
 E-mail: coe@misasa.okayama-u.ac.jp

Reference Letter for the Misasa International Student Intern Program 2008
Institute for study of the Earth's Interior, Okayama University, Misasa, Tottori, Japan

Name of Applicant _____

1. Under what circumstances and for how long have you known the applicant?
2. Please comment on the applicant's academic performance.
3. Please comment on the applicant's potential ability and motivation for a career in scientific research. Please stress both weak and strong points.
4. Please comment on the applicant's personal characteristics such as maturity, originality, perseverance, carefulness, and ability to work with others. Please stress both weak and strong points.
5. Please comment on the applicant's communication skill in English.

6. Please rate the applicant in comparison with others of his/her age/position in the same field whom you have known.

Please mark in the appropriate box	Truly Exceptional Upper 1~2%	Outstanding Upper 5~10%	Above Average Upper 20%	Average Upper 50%	Below Average < 50%	NA No judgment
Academic Performance						
Motivation for Research Career						
English Proficiency						

7. Please feel free to attach additional sheet for additional comments.

Referee's information:

Name: _____ Position: _____

Department: _____ Institution: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Country: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Signature: _____

Please do not return to the applicant.

Please return the completed form by airmail directly to:

Ms. Yoshiko Nakano, Secretary

Institute for Study of the Earth's Interior, Okayama University, Misasa, Tottori, 682-0193 Japan,

E-mail: coe@misasa.okayama-u.ac.jp

Please note application deadline is April 15, 2008.

Thank you very much your time and effort.