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Start of Application Period for the Kumamoto University  
Female Researcher Awards in FY 2023

Kumamoto University is pleased to announce the Female Researcher Awards. The awards recognize excellent research achievements of women researchers in Kumamoto Prefecture.

The “Female Researcher Award” and the “Young Female Researcher Award” are intended to further acknowledge and support the outstanding work of these women researchers.

Please see the attachment for details on prerequisites.

We are looking forward to numerous self-applications of female researchers. Furthermore, we would highly appreciate if you recommended suitable candidates in your department or institute.

Best regards

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## **Kumamoto University Female Researcher Awards Application Guidelines**

### 1. Eligibility for application

Female researchers (including students and Kumamoto University graduates) who are affiliated with an institution of higher education or public institution or company.

Preconditions for the awards:

- “Female Researcher Award”

The applicants have achieved outstanding research results and represent excellent role models for young women and thus are suitable candidates for the award.

- “Young Female Researcher Award”

Promising women researchers have less than 18 years of research experiences. (except pauses due to life events)

※Past recipients are not eligible to apply.

### 2. Prizes

The awardee in each category will be presented with a certificate of commendation and supplementary prize.

### 3. Application Method and Deadline

#### (1) Application Method :

Please fill in the application form and send it together with up to 2 relevant papers by e-mail to the office indicated below. (Please contact the office in advance if you want to send books)

#### (2) Deadline : 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### 4. Selection Process and Result Announcement

(1) Selection: The selection committee of Kumamoto University will choose a suitable candidate among all applications.

(2) Result announcement: Applicants will be informed of the results and the awardees will be announced in January 2024.

### 5. Awards ceremony

The awards ceremony will be held in February 2024. Awardees are required to present their research achievements there. Details on the event will be sent to the awardees later.

(Research Achievement Presentation)

Outline: Speech relevant to the research topics listed in the application

Length of Speech: 20 min

Contents: Introduction to one's research field, directions of future research, others

6. Others

- ( 1 ) We will not reply to any inquiries about the selection results.
- ( 2 ) The name and research achievements of the award recipients will be made public.
- ( 3 ) Personal information included in the submitted documents will be strictly confidential and used only for the purpose of selection.
- ( 4 ) The submitted documents are not returnable for any reason.
- ( 5 ) If necessary, we might ask you to submit additional documents.

7. Submission and Inquiries to:

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