

# Pillar 2: The Applicant's Credentials & Language Skills

## New Applicant Qualification Standard

You must demonstrate one of the following:

**A**



**3+ years of experience** in business management or administration.  
(Note: The period spent on a “Start-up Visa” for preparatory activities can be included.)



**B**

**A Master's, Doctoral, or professional degree** in a field related to business management or the specific business you are applying for.  
(Equivalent degrees from foreign universities are accepted.)

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## New Language Proficiency Standard

**Either the applicant OR a full-time staff member must possess “a considerable level of Japanese language ability.”**

**Next Slide:** We will detail the specific ways to prove this ability.