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A man filed a lawsuit against an all-women's university in Japan for rejecting his application to join it because he is male. The unnamed man claims the university is discriminating against him based on his gender. He says the policy of admitting female-only students is unconstitutional. Japan's constitution states that all citizens have an equal right to education. He wants the university change its mind and pay him 660,000 yen in damages for his anguish. It is the first time in Japan that someone has sued a national or public women's university over this issue.

The man thinks he has a good case because the university was one of his only options to follow a career as a dietician. He said his career path would narrow if he had to go to a university far away. The man's lawyer said there is no need for women-only universities in today's world. He said that in the past, women's universities helped women "who had fewer opportunities for education," but, "that role is no longer necessary". A university official said: "We have a 91-year history of promoting women's education. We are determined to continue to...prepare women for leadership roles."

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