

**Application Type A for Special Admission for**  
**English Program on Intelligent Information Processing,**  
**Graduate School of Information Science and Technology,**  
**The University of Tokyo**  
(Admission: September 2019)

At the special admission to the English Program on Intelligent Information Processing, Graduate School of Information Science and Technology, The University of Tokyo (Admission: September 2019), all applicants of Type A must satisfy all of the following conditions.

(Note that this document is created so to reflect the requirements of MEXT scholarship for special program, as accurately as possible, for reference. But in case there is any difference, the MEXT document (in Japanese) will be prioritized.)

1. Each applicant must be an international student who wish to enroll in the University of Tokyo if he/she passes the entrance examination, with “College Student” visa obtained anew. The applicants must not be applying to any other MEXT scholarship program including those provided by other universities.

※ We will ask the wills to enter the University of Tokyo and to receive scholarship to those who passed the examination. After affirmative reply, they are not allowed to decline their entrance and scholarship, in principle. If one cannot help to cancel them due to special circumstances, he/she must contact us as earliest as possible via e-mail, and must submit (1) letter of reasons written by the applicant (with his/her own signature) and (2) letter of reasons written from deans (or above) who write Recommendation Letter 2 (with his/her own signature).

2. The “GPA” defined by MEXT of applicant over the last two (2) academic years must not be less than 2.30.

The GPA must be calculated according to Form 7.

Remark that if yearly GPA goes below 2.30, the scholarship will be stopped.

3. Applicant must have a nationality of a country with diplomatic relations with the Japanese government. Applicants who have Japanese nationality at the time of

applications are ineligible.

4. Applicant must be born on or after April 2nd, 1984, in principle.

Exceptions may be given at discretions of MEXT based on the fact that applicants could not apply at the time of the specified age due to systems or circumstances (compulsory military service, disruption/destruction of educational institutions due to armed conflicts, etc.) of their home countries. Reasons of personal circumstances (financial, family and health reasons, as well as circumstances relating to their universities or employments, etc.) will not be considered. But application is accepted for those who have completed the Young Leaders Program and are applying for the doctoral program within 5 years after completing the Young Leaders Program.

5. **Academic Background**

Applicants must have the necessary qualifications to be admitted to master's program or doctoral program of a Japanese university (including those who are certain to satisfy those qualifications by the time they enter the university). Refer the following documents for the requirements:

[https://www.i.u-tokyo.ac.jp/edu/entra/pdf/19master\\_e.pdf](https://www.i.u-tokyo.ac.jp/edu/entra/pdf/19master_e.pdf)

[https://www.i.u-tokyo.ac.jp/edu/entra/pdf/19doctor\\_e.pdf](https://www.i.u-tokyo.ac.jp/edu/entra/pdf/19doctor_e.pdf)

6. **Field of Study**

Applicants should study information science and technology or related fields at their previous universities.

7. **English Proficiency**

Applicants must satisfy at least one of the following requirements:

(i) At the time of entering our graduate school, applicants have certificates from standard language tests which prove that applicants' language capability is no less than CEFR B2 (See ※ below).

(ii) Applicants completed the education, that is required for entrance of master's program or doctoral program of Japanese universities (see Section 5 above), using English as a main language.

(iii) The receiving university (i.e. the University of Tokyo) evaluated that applicants have English capabilities equivalent to or better than that required at (i).

In case of (i) and (ii), the applicants must provide documents that prove those conditions. In case of (iii), pre-interview will be conducted to preliminary evaluation

of English capability, and so make a contact before the prescribed deadline.

※ English scores no less than CEFR B2 :

- Cambridge English Assessment – No less than 160
- The EIKEN Test in Practical English Proficiency – No less than 2300
- GTEC Advanced/CBT – No less than 1190
- IELTS – No less than 5.5
- TEAP – No less than 309
- TEAP CBT – No less than 600
- TOEFL iBT – No less than 72
- TOEIC (L&R + 2.5 \* S&W) – No less than 1560

#### 8. Health

Applicants who have been evaluated by the University of Tokyo that their mental and physical health will not bring trouble in studying in Japan.

#### 9. Arrival Time to Japan

In principle, applicants should arrive in Japan between September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. In case that applicants do not arrive in Japan within the prescribed dates, except the case MEXT acknowledges it is inevitable and without applicant's fault, the applicants cannot get the scholarship. In case that applicants arrive Japan before the prescribed dates, travel support (see Section 13) to come Japan will not be offered.

#### 10. Visa Requirement

In principle, applicants should first obtain a new “College Student” visa at a Japanese embassy or consulate in applicants' country of nationality, and then enter Japan with a new status of residence of “College Student.” Note that if an applicant enter Japan without obtaining a new “College Student” visa, the scholarship will be stopped. Also, it should be noted that any applicants who change their status from “College Student” to any other residence status after their arrivals in Japan will forfeit their rights to be recipients of the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship.

Those who already have other residency status (permanent resident, long-term resident, etc.) will be required to return to their countries of nationality, change their status into “College Student”, and then travel to Japan. In that case, one must fully understand that *there is no guarantee* that changing your status back to that of

“Permanent resident” or “long-term resident” etc. will be approved after completion of MEXT Scholarship recipient.

#### 11. Exclusion

Persons in the following categories are ineligible for the MEXT scholarship.

1. Active member of military units or civilians employed by military units at the time of arrivals as well as during the period of the MEXT scholarships.

2. Persons who are unable to arrive in Japan within the designated period.

3. Former recipients of a MEXT Scholarship in the past. Exceptions are:

(i) those who have at least three years of educational or working experiences between the completion of their previous scholarships and the receiving new scholarships.

(ii) those who received Japanese-studies students as his/her last MEXT scholarship, then returned to the home universities, and graduated or expected to graduate from the home universities.

(iii) those who were international students in Japan under the Japan-Korea Joint Government Scholarship Program for the students in Science and Engineering Departments.

(iv) those who were international students under the Young Leaders Program.

Note that the MEXT Honors Scholarship is not classified as MEXT Scholarship, and thus those who received MEXT Honors Scholarships can apply.

4. Persons who are applying to another program with MEXT Scholarship in AY2019 programs.

5. Persons who

(i) are already enrolled in a Japanese university, institution, etc. under the “College Student” visa,

(ii) are or plan to enroll in a Japanese university, institution, etc. as self-supported international students between the times of application to the beginning of receiving this scholarship.

This does not apply to self-supported international students who are currently enrolling or are expected to enroll in a Japanese university but can confirm at the

time of applications that they will return back to their countries of nationality before the beginning of the scholarship period, and newly obtain a “College Student” visa then travel to Japan.

6. An applicant who is expected to graduate at the time of application and cannot provide proof of completing a degree by the designated deadline.

7. A Japanese national who has dual nationality with another country, and is not able to provide proof of having relinquished Japanese nationality by the day of arrival to Japan.

8. An applicant who is planning, at the time of application, to do fieldwork or internship in a country other than Japan, or leave of absence for a long period.

9. Those who have completed doctoral programs and do not plan to pursue further academic degrees.

An applicant who is expecting to receive a scholarship from any source other than MEXT (including those from their own governmental body) can apply for Type A, but must decline MEXT scholarship or the other scholarships when he/she passes the entrance examination.

After students receive this scholarship, because of Condition 3 specified above, they cannot apply the MEXT scholarship again. For example, if they receive the MEXT scholarship for the master course, they may not be able to receive the MEXT scholarship for the doctoral course. We strongly recommend students to look for other possible scholarships such as JSPS research fellowship for the doctoral programs.

## **12. Notes**

While they are studying in Japan, applicants are expected, as a person who will contribute to the globalization of Japan, to broadly participate activities contributing towards the mutual understanding between their home countries and Japan. Furthermore, they are expected to maintain close links with the universities they studied even after they have graduated. They should cooperate with Japanese governments in various manners, such as answering questionnaires etc.

### **13. Conditions for Travel Supports**

#### **1. Transportation from home country to Japan**

Travel allowance will be provided, according to the itinerary and route designated for them by MEXT, with an economy class air ticket from the international airport closest to their place of residence (should be the country of nationality, in principle) to one of the international airports of Tokyo, that are, Narita (NRT) and Haneda (HND).

Please note that the following costs are the sole responsibility of recipients: domestic transportation from the recipients' residences to the nearest international airport; airport tax and surcharges; other special local taxes incurred by travelling; local travel expenses within Japan (including any costs if transferring flights); travel insurance; baggage and unaccompanied baggage. An economy class air ticket to Narita International Airport (NRT) or Haneda International Airport (HND) via a third country will be provided only if Japan does not have an overseas diplomatic establishment in the countries of nationality and the applicant must obtain their "College Student" at that third country, or there is no direct flight from the country of nationality to Japan. In that case, any costs incurred in travelling and accommodation within the third country are the sole responsibility of recipients. The recipients' residences are taken to be the "current address" given in the application document Format 5. However, if a change of address is known beforehand (limited to within the recipients' home countries), "your address before departure for Japan" in Format 5 will be taken. Note that air ticket will not be provided if recipients travel to Japan from countries other than that of their nationalities because of personal reasons, except that case travelling to third countries for obtaining visas.

#### **2. Transportation from Japan to home country**

Recipients who return to their home countries within the last payment month of the scholarship will be provided, upon applications, with an economy class air ticket for a flight from Narita International Airport (NRT) or Haneda International Airport (HND) to the international airport closest to their place of return (in principle, within countries of their nationalities). The following costs are the sole responsibility of recipients: those incurred for transportations from the recipients' residences to the international airport in Japan; airport tax and surcharges; other special local taxes incurred when travelling; local travel

expenses within the country of nationality (including any costs of transferring flights); travel insurance; baggage and/or unaccompanied baggage.

Recipients who return to their home countries before the end of the scholarship period for personal reasons or because of items in Section 14 below will not be provided the return airfare.

Traveling expenses for temporary return to the country of nationality will not be provided if recipients decide to remain in Japan (for example; continuing the education at a higher level or entering employment in Japan) after the ends of scholarship periods.

#### 14. **Stopping Scholarship Payment**

The scholarship will be stopped in the following cases. If recipients are judged ineligible due to one of the following reasons, the recipient may be ordered to return the amount of scholarship money received. The payment of the scholarship may be suspended until the decision is made.

1. If any portion of the recipients' application documents are found to be false or wrongly stated.
2. If recipients are in breach of their pledges to MEXT.
3. Given life or more than one year of imprisonments with or without hard labors having been convicted of breaking the law in Japan.
4. Expelled from universities following disciplinary actions or removed from the registries.
5. If students' academic performances are considered unacceptable; if students have been suspended, or are deemed not to be able to complete the program within the standard durations.
6. If recipients do not obtain a new "College Student" status before travelling Japan; or they change resident status from "College Student" to any other status.

7. If recipients receive another scholarship (except for scholarships designated only for research expenses).

8. If recipients proceed to a higher academic program without obtaining permissions to extend the scholarship period from MEXT.

The extension must be within this special program, and currently there is no plan to accept application of such extensions in our program.

9. If recipients leave the university or are transferred to other graduate schools.

10. If students' grade point averages for a year fall below 2.30.

15. **Others**

1. The scholarship will be paid 1 – 1.5 months after the arrivals. Students must bring enough money to cover their expenses during the period. We recommend students to prepare no less than 2,000 US dollars from their home countries.

2. Students must apply for the Japanese national insurances after the arrivals in Japan.

3. As scholarship recipients, students should be reminded the following points:

- The Japanese government will share the recipient information (such as names, genders, and birthdates) among related organizations to have a better support to international students, to follow up graduates, and to improve the systems for international students. Also, the Japanese government may publish the recipient information (excluding birthdate and contact) to promote the acceptance of international students. In particular, the government may publish the information of graduated international students who are actively contributing to societies.

- Scholarship recipients must sign the pledge with specific rules which the recipients must follow. Except in case of very special circumstances, scholarship will be given only those who do the pledge.

4. We will cancel the scholarship to students who cannot obtain the “College Student” visa because they have ever been deported from Japan.

5. If recipients apply for a visa at the country of their nationalities, MEXT will



directly contact the embassies or consulates there. Otherwise, students must apply for the certificates of eligibility through The University of Tokyo.

#### 16. Contact

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