**The Graduate School of Information Science and Technology, the University of Tokyo**  
**Application Guidelines for the Doctoral Course Special Entrance Examination**  
**Sponsored by the University of Tokyo Fellowship (September 2017 enrollment)**

Objective: To contribute to the cultivation of advanced and specialized human resources in various fields of information science and technology.

The special examination is administered separately from the general entrance examinations to specifically address the above objective, and to invite students who have graduated with excellent records in their master’s courses, from designated universities, in order to cultivate next-generation leaders in the field of information science and technology; as well as to promote further program exchange.

1. **Eligibility Requirements**

The applicants must have obtained a master’s degree from one of the universities specifically designated by the University of Tokyo (*1), by July 31st, 2017.

2. **Overview of the Entrance Examination**

There are TWO stages in the selection process.

The first stage is a review of the submitted application documents listed in Section 7—“Application Documents Required for the Doctoral Program.” Note, applicants must be recommended by a supervising professor at one of the designated universities in order to apply.

The second stage is an oral examination in either English or Japanese. Applicants are comprehensively evaluated based on their master’s research abstracts, the progress of their master’s thesis, and their proposed doctoral research plan at the University of Tokyo.

Among successful applicants, a select few of the top students who qualify will be awarded scholarships from those stated in Section 5—“Financial Aid,” from the University of Tokyo. Other applicants from the universities in China who pass this special entrance examination will only be admitted to enroll if sponsored by the China Scholarship Council.

3. **Availability**

A limited number of qualified applicants will be admitted to the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology. Applicants may apply to any department of the Graduate School of Information Science Technology: The Department of Computer Science, Mathematical Informatics, Information Physics and Computing, Information and Communication Engineering, Mechano-Informatics, and Creative Informatics.

4. **How to Apply**

(1) First, all applicants must contact the Office of International Relations with the name of their first and second choices for their prospective supervising professor in the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology. After this consultation, all required documents listed in Section 7—“Application Documents Required for the Doctoral Program” must be submitted either by registered mail or international delivery service before the application deadline.

(2) Application Deadline: (No later than) Wednesday, October 12th, 2016
5. Financial Aid

(1) Scholarships: 200,000 yen per month (as of April 2016)
   Scholarship Terms: Provided for a three-year period beginning September, 2017 to August, 2020

(2) One-way economy class airline ticket
   The ticket will be from the international airport nearest the student’s residence to either Narita or Haneda International Airport.

(3) The following academic fees will be paid by the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology:
   *Admission Fee ………………282,000 yen
   *Selection Fee………………30,000 yen
   *Annual tuition fees will not be paid by The Graduate School of Information Science and Technology as this is included as a part of the monthly scholarship payment. Therefore, a University of Tokyo Fellowship student cannot apply for tuition fee exemption.

6. Examination Date and Site

The second stage:

The second stage interview will be held at the University of Tokyo Beijing Office and the University of Tokyo India Office on December 7th, 2016. Applicants who have successfully passed the first stage of admission will be notified of the actual interview schedule and location.

7. Application Documents Required for the Doctoral Program

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<td>*Application Form for Graduate Admission</td>
<td>Official form; attach a photo taken within the past 3 months.</td>
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<td>Transcript</td>
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<td>TOEFL score</td>
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<td>Scholarly Attainment List and Copies of Notable Papers</td>
<td>Only if applicant has published journal articles or international conference papers</td>
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<td>Master’s Course Research Abstract; Master’s Thesis Progress Report</td>
<td>Between five and ten A4-sized pages in either English or Japanese.</td>
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<td>Statement of Objectives</td>
<td>Between five and ten A4-sized pages indicating the applicant’s research plan for if admitted to the Doctoral Program in either English or Japanese.</td>
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<th>* Two Recommendation letters</th>
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<td>Other documents which may be necessary</td>
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Note 1: For documents listed with a “∗,” please use the official form.
Note 2: Contact the admissions office in case of any difficulties submitting any of the required documents.

8. Result Notification and Enrollment Formalities

(1) Results of the first stage selection will be sent directly to applicants starting in the first half of November 2016.
(2) Results of the second stage interview will be sent directly to applicants starting in the second half of December 2016.
(3) A letter of acceptance and other necessary information will be sent to successful applicants sometime after April 2017. Admittance to this program is dependent on the applicant obtaining a master’s degree. Any applicant who fails to earn a master’s degree by July 31, 2017 will be dropped from the program. Necessary forms for enrollment formalities will be given to the applicant upon arrival in Japan.
(4) All successful applicants must complete the necessary enrollment procedures within the specified period starting in late August 2017. Any applicant who fails to complete enrollment procedures during this period will be dropped from the program.

*1. The following are the universities specifically designated by the University of Tokyo.
   Peking University
   Tsinghua University
   Shanghai Jiao Tong University
   Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur
   Indian Institute of Technology Bombay
   Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
   Indian Institute of Technology Madras
   Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
   Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad
   Indian Institute of Management Bangalore

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