

Young Science and Engineering Researchers Program (YSEP)

Eligibility	<p>Those with student status at their home university, enrolled in the following programs at the time they start research at Science Tokyo:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Doctoral program ✓ Master's program ✓ Bachelor's program (at least two and a half years of study)
Period of Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From 5 months to 1 year ● Starting only in April or October (Starting month of each semester)
Program Outline	<p>1) Study and research under the guidance of an academic supervisor, and make a presentation on one's research at the end of the last semester during one's enrollment (required)</p> <p>2) Engage in at least one of the following activities (required):</p> <p>(a) Take a course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommended Courses for International Exchange Students (TBA) - Japanese language <p>(b) Participate in a monthly event organized by Science Tokyo (dates TBA).</p> <p>3) Take elective courses offered at Science Tokyo (optional)</p> <p>(a) Master's and doctoral students can take all courses offered by the graduate school (conducted in English/Japanese).</p> <p>(b) Undergraduate students can take courses for undergraduates (most of which are conducted in Japanese) and courses for graduates also open to undergraduate-level international exchange students (conducted in English).</p> <p>(c) Students may take Japanese language courses at any level and are not allowed to take language classes other than Japanese.</p> <p>*1: Course Numbers and Indicated Levels: 100-level, 200-level, 300-level: Undergraduate Level / 400-level, 500-level: Master's Level / 600-level: PhD Level</p> <p>*2: Any courses conducted in English in the 100 and 200 levels cannot be taken.</p> <p>*3: Before applying to this program, be sure to carefully check the information regarding course timetables and syllabi, and the list of courses from the previous year which details available graduate courses conducted in English, and confirm that a study plan matches course availability.</p> <p>*4: There may be cases where your request for course registration is not permitted, as some courses have specific requirements for registration. In addition, some of the courses involving exercises/research training are not open to international exchange students.</p> <p>*5: YSEP students are not permitted to take courses offered by the faculties/graduate schools of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Care Sciences.</p>
Language Requirement	<p>High-level English ability is required for conducting research and communicating with laboratory colleagues.</p> <p>* Submission of official test scores such as TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, etc. is required.</p>
Scholarship	<p>Sponsor: Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)</p> <p>Name of scholarship: Student Exchange Support Program</p> <p>Monthly stipend: JPY 80,000</p> <p>Selection result: Those who enroll in April: to be notified by Science Tokyo by the end of February</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Those who enroll in October: to be notified by Science Tokyo by the end of August</p>
Application Deadline	<p><u>November 10, 2024</u> for spring semester 2025 (April 2025)</p> <p>*Nomination due on October 15, 2024</p> <p><u>May 9, 2025</u> for fall semester 2025 (October 2025)</p> <p>*Nomination due on April 15, 2025</p>
Website	<p>https://www.titech.ac.jp/english/international-student-exchange/prospective-students/non-degree/vsep</p>

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YSEP will accept students from partner universities with which Science Tokyo has established student exchange agreements with tuition waiver. Participants conduct research activities under the guidance of an academic supervisor at Science Tokyo.

Eligibility:

YSEP participants may start their studies at Science Tokyo either in April 2025 or October 2025. The program is open to students at Science Tokyo (Former Tokyo Tech) partner universities who, at the time of YSEP participation, are enrolled in and have completed at least two and a half years of undergraduate studies. YSEP participants must have student status at their home university during their period of study at Science Tokyo.

Application deadlines:

- For applicants who will join YSEP from the spring semester of 2025 (starting in April 2025)
Deadline: November 10, 2024 (nomination due on October 15, 2024)
- For applicants who will join YSEP from the fall semester of 2025 (starting in October 2025)
Deadline: May 9, 2025 (nomination due on April 15, 2025)

Nomination of students:

Step 1: Home universities will nominate YSEP applicants and inform Science Tokyo by using the Nomination Sheet for YSEP/ACAP for AY 2025. Please upload it via the link below by the nomination due date.

<https://science-tokyo.app.box.com/f/e5f64b8b464c493c86001f6231821654>

Nominee information should be listed by priority.

Step 2: Science Tokyo will send the necessary information for logging in to the online application form via email to applicants directly.

Step 3: Applicants will complete and send the form by the above deadline. All necessary documents must be submitted online by the applicants themselves.

Find an academic supervisor at Science Tokyo:

Before beginning the online application process, applicants are required to contact a desired academic supervisor at Science Tokyo directly, and obtain approval from him/her. On the online application form, applicants need to submit evidence such as an email message or a letter indicating that the Science Tokyo professor agrees to be the applicant's academic supervisor.

*Only professors, associate professors and lecturers are eligible to be academic supervisors. (Assistant professors may or may not be qualified. Please consult with us in advance.)

*YSEP students cannot be accepted by the faculties/graduate schools of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Care Sciences.

*For those who apply for the **Department of Architecture and Building Engineering**, this process is done by the Global Education Division on their behalf, and they are not allowed to contact their desired supervisors directly. Instead, applicants are required to submit their CV and portfolio via the online application form.

*Those applying for the **Department of Innovation Science** should contact the Global Education Division in advance. Our contact information can be found at the end of this document.

Documents necessary for YSEP application:

- (1) Institute of Science Tokyo application form

- *To be completed online. Science Tokyo will directly send applicants the necessary information for logging in to the online application form via email.
- *Necessary items (2) through (11) below are to be submitted via the online form.
- (2) Official transcript of applicant's academic record in English (PDF)
 - *Please include the guidelines of the grading system in English.
 - *Please submit transcripts for the last twelve months.
 - *Science Tokyo reserves the right to verify the authenticity of the applicant's transcript.
- (3) Recommendation letter from home university (free format) (PDF)
 - *Associate Professor or equivalent and above.
 - *Unfortunately, we cannot regard language teachers as academic supervisors.
- (4) Verification of student status at home university (PDF)
 - *Please certify that the applicant has student status at the home university during the period at Science Tokyo.
- (5) Application for Certificate of Eligibility (COE) (Excel)
 - *Please refer to the attached form and the example. These examples are also on our website.
- (6) Copy of applicant's passport (page(s) that verify name, nationality, and photo) (PDF)
 - *If the applicant does not have a passport at the time of application, a copy should be submitted by email as soon as it is issued.
- (7) Official TOEFL, TOEIC, or IELTS test result or equivalent document (PDF)
 - *Submission of the above document is required.
 - *Native speakers of English are exempt from this submission requirement.
- (8) Photograph (JPEG)
 - *Photo requirements: taken within the past 3 months, shows upper body and full face with a closed mouth (no smiling), no caps or hats, taken in front of a plain background
 - *The file must be less than 2 MB, 350 (height) x 290 (width) pixels, JPEG format with a resolution of more than 300 dpi.
- (9) Portfolio of your previous work (Word, Excel, PDF, or text under 10240 KB)
 - ***Required only if the applicant's major is architecture**
- (10) Consent of an academic supervisor at Science Tokyo (PDF)
 - *Please submit evidence that an academic supervisor has provided consent.
 - *A PDF version of email correspondence with the professor is sufficient to fulfill this requirement.

In addition to the above documents, submission of the following document(s) might be required.

- (11) Documents verifying your financial status in English
 Financial status verification* might be required as part of the application process for the Certificate of Eligibility (COE), which is the documentation used to obtain a visa to study in Japan. You will be notified by the relevant contact person at Science Tokyo if you are required to submit the documents.

*For example, a bank statement (which verifies the available balance in the account) for you or your financial supporter; or a scholarship certificate (if any). If there is not an English version of these documents, you should attach a certified English translation with a signature of the translator and the date of translation.

Additional required documents before enrollment:

- Health Certificate for Infectious Diseases

International students whose registered enrollment period will be three months or longer are required to have the health certificate completed and signed by a physician within the three-month period before the designated date of enrollment at Science Tokyo (or within the three-month period before their planned date of arrival in Japan if their arrival will be later than the date of entrance). In addition, we request that it be submitted prior to the designated date of entrance (or prior to

arriving in Japan if the arrival will be later than the date of entrance).

Note that all expenses for this shall be borne by students.

Please cooperate with our preventive measures against various infectious diseases that could cross international borders in order to protect the health and wellbeing of you and your colleagues.

For more details, please refer to the following website;

<https://www.titech.ac.jp/english/student-support/prospective-students/admitted/international-infection>

Course Information for International Exchange Students

For YSEP participants, taking courses is optional. Not all courses offered at Science Tokyo are available for International Exchange Students. Final-year undergraduate students should refer to previously approved 400-level courses and carefully consider the courses they can take while studying abroad at Science Tokyo. Please refer to the enclosed document “Science Tokyo Course Information to Help Develop Your Study Plan.”

Housing:

For students who have submitted a request to move into a Science Tokyo dormitory through the online application, the Global Education Division will request that the department in charge of university dormitories will allocate a room for them. (Students are not required to apply for dormitories individually.) Students will be notified by email 1 to 1.5 months prior to enrollment whether or not they will be able to move into the dormitory. In that case, please follow the instructions in the email. We do not accept changes of dormitories assigned to applicants.

Note that not all incoming students will be assigned a dormitory room as room availability is limited.

JASSO scholarship:

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JASSO Website:	https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/scholarship_j/ukeire.html

Note:

*The number of JASSO scholarship recipients is limited, and recipient selection will be made by Science Tokyo.

*Students receiving more than JPY 80,000 per month in total from other scholarships to study in Japan are ineligible for this scholarship. Also, some scholarship foundations do not allow their recipients to receive a stipend from another scholarship foundation. Please confirm that receipt of a JASSO scholarship WILL NOT jeopardize funding which you already receive from another scholarship foundation.

Cost of Living in Tokyo/Japan

It depends on where you live, but you will need at least JPY 100,000 per month as of 2024.

References:

- Science Tokyo Dormitory fees: JPY 27,500-65,000 (plus a separate move-in fee)
- Bottle of water: JPY 100-150
- Lunch at cafeteria at Science Tokyo: JPY 400-600
- Lunch at café or restaurant in Tokyo: JPY 1,000-1,500

Program website

Information is also available from our websites:

<https://www.titech.ac.jp/english/international-student-exchange/prospective-students/non-degree/ysep>

FAQ for International Exchange Students

<https://www.titech.ac.jp/english/international-student-exchange/prospective-students/non-degree/non-degree-faq>

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