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### 1. About the Program

The Research Student Program enables students to engage in research on a specialized topic or theme under the guidance of Tokyo Metropolitan University professors. The Program is not a preparatory course for enrollment into the graduate school.

### 2. Application requirements

Applicants must satisfy at least <u>one</u> of the following requirements:

- The applicant must hold (or will hold by March 31, 2017) the equivalent of a bachelor's degree as per Article 83 and 104 of the Japanese School Education Act.
- (2) The applicant must have completed (or will have completed by March 31, 2017) 16 years of education at a school in a foreign country.
- (3) The applicant must have shown academic ability equal to or greater than the requirements (1) or (2) at Tokyo Metropolitan University.

\* Applicants to whom requirement (2) or (3) applies must first pass **application qualification screening** before applying. After contacting the University's Academic Affairs Division in advance, send all application documentation to the Academic Affairs Division in one set by the following date. (Documentation must **arrive** by this date.)

If applying to begin in the Spring Semester: Documentation must <u>arrive</u> by January 27, 2017 - For a 6-month period of study from April to September OR - For a 1-year period of study from April to March If applying to begin in the Fall Semester: Documentation must <u>arrive</u> by May 26, 2017 - For a 6-month period of study from October to March

The application qualification screening process requires approximately one month. However, those who have already passed application qualification

screening for a Graduate School of Human Health Sciences entrance examination in the past are not required to complete the process again. When applying, please attach a copy of your "certificate of application qualification" received after completion of screening.

#### 3. Research period

The duration of a student's research period is six months or one year in the same academic year (from April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018). It is possible to change the length of one's research period at a later date. However, if the student is not a Japanese citizen, a "student" visa permits a maximum research period of two years, including any enrollment as research student at other universities. (Please confirm with the Immigration Bureau.)

#### 4. Screening method

The research student screening process is conducted twice a year (the April start and the October start) according to the following procedure:

- (1) Pre-screening review of submitted application documentation.
- (2) Supervisor interview (not required for those who applied via the graduate school entrance examination) and screening by a faculty committee on the basis of (1), to the greatest extent possible without interfering with regular students' education and research.

#### 5. Pre-screening review of submitted application documentation

#### (1) Application period

For Spring Semester starts, documentation must be submitted between February 6, 2017 and February 17, 2017.

For Fall Semester starts, documentation must be submitted between June 5, 2017 and June 16, 2017.

\* Application documentation must be received by mail (Japan Post's acceptance-recorded mail).

\* Applications will be accepted if they are postmarked with a date within the appropriate application period.

If sending an application from a foreign country, please ensure that application documents are received by the last day of the application period.

#### (2) Application documents

a. Application Form (Attachment 1)

 $\ast$  Please check the supervisor's contact address and contact your requested

supervisor before you apply. When you check the supervisor's contact address, please refer to the newest application guide for admission to graduation school.

- \* Please leave the supervisor's signature and seal sections blank.
- \* Please write your requested supervisor's name in the designated column.
- However, there is no guarantee that such requests can be fulfilled.
- b. Statement of Research Plan (Attachment 2)
- c. Certificate of Graduation or Certificate of Expected Graduation (from most recent school): Original
- d. Academic transcript (from most recent school): Original
  - \* About items c and d, the applicant who expected to graduate, please submit Certificate of Graduation and Academic transcript when you enter this program.
- e. Self-addressed envelope ( $120 \text{mm} \times 235 \text{mm}$  with a \$82 stamp)
  - \* This envelope will be used to mail your results back to you.

\* If a Japanese stamp is difficult to obtain, please enclose an International Reply Coupon purchased at a post office in your country. Regardless of the rate, calculate the price at  $\underline{¥130}$  per coupon and include enough coupons to cover postage to the reply address you provide.

\* In general, application documents will be accepted as long as they are written in Japanese or English. If the documents are written in another language, attach a Japanese or English translation (including the affiliation and name of the translator).

\* People of foreign nationality also need to submit the following:

- The applicant's certificate of residence (original), indicating nationality, residence status, period of stay (including the date of expiry).
- Copy of the applicant's Resident Card (both sides).

If you cannot submit these documents due to living outside of Japan and not having a Japanese address, please submit a copy of your passport's photo page. However, submit your certificate of residence and Resident Card as soon as your Japanese address has been determined.

\* If notification of your pre-screening results has not arrived by February 27 (Applicants for Spring Semester start) or June 26 (Applicants for Fall Semester start), please contact the Academic Affairs Division.

# 6. Supervisor's approval and payment of the entrance examination fee (Applicants who pass pre-screening only)

#### (1) Supervisor's approval

If an applicant passes pre-screening, the applicant will conduct an interview with his/her requested supervisor. The supervisor must give his/her approval to the applicant.

#### (2) Payment of the entrance examination fee

After obtaining the supervisor's approval, the applicant must pay the entrance examination fee (\$9,800) and submit a copy of the receipt ("receipt for transferred money" or "certificate of payment") to the Academic Affairs Division by the following deadlines:

Spring Semester: By March 6, 2017 Fall Semester: By July 10, 2017

#### a. Payment by bank transfer request form

A bank transfer form will be sent to the applicant along with pre-screening results. Please complete the bank transfer at a bank (not an ATM) within the period specified, and then submit a copy of the "receipt for transferred money" to the Academic Affairs Division.

#### <u>b. Online payment (E-payment service)</u>

Apply to the e-payment service in advance (refer to the end of this guide). Using this service, you will be able to pay at convenience stores, or by Pay-easy ATM net banking, credit card, Alipay, or China UnionPay. However, only credit cards, Alipay, or China UnionPay can be used to make payments from outside of Japan. In such cases, please contact the school for another guide with detailed payment instructions.

Semester	Payment Period
Spring	From February 20, 2017 to March 3, 2017
Fall	From June 26, 2017 to July 7, 2017

\*Please note that the payment period is different from the application period. After payment, submit a copy of the "certificate of payment" to the Academic Affairs Division. Refer to the section on examination fee e-payment at the end of this guide for more information on how to receive a "certificate of payment". —Note—

For questions concerning e-payment services, please refer to the FAQ page of the site (https://e-shiharai.net/Syuno/FAQ.html) or contact the e-Service Support Center.

#### 7. Acceptance and enrollment procedures

#### (1) Acceptance

The results of the faculty screening process will be mailed to applicants.

(2) Notification

Spring Semester: End of March Fall Semester: End of July

#### (3) Enrollment procedures

Student status will be officially settled after tuition has been fully paid within the appropriate time period below.

Semester	Payment Period
Spring	From April 3, 2017 to April 10, 2017
Fall	From October 2, 2017 to October 6, 2017

\*After payment, submit a copy of the "receipt for transferred money" and a photo (3cm x 3cm) for an ID card to the Academic Affairs Division by the dates below.

Spring Semester: April 12, 2017 Fall Semester: October 10, 2017

#### 8. Tuition

For 1 year: ¥346,800 (¥28,900 x 12 months)

For half a year: ¥173,400 (¥28,900 x 6 months)

If tuition fee is revised during the student's research period, the revised tuition fee will be effective on the date of the revision.

Once paid, tuition payments cannot be returned.

\* Tuition cannot be paid via the e-payment service. Instead, use the bank transfer request form (no ATM) included with the notification of screening results. Additionally, wire transfers are not accepted from outside of Japan. To apply from abroad, assistance will be required from someone within Japan who can make payments within the required. Inform the school at the time of application who will be making payments in Japan for the overseas applicant.

#### 9. Unpaid tuition

If tuition goes unpaid past the specified date, admission is withdrawn and canceled.

#### 10. Extending the research period

To extend a student's research period, first receive the supervisor's approval and then submit the Research Period Extension Application (Attachment 3) along with the Statement of Research Plan (Attachment 2) at least one month before the scheduled end of the research period.

However, these rules do not necessary apply if the faculty committee determines there to be special extenuating circumstances present.

### 11. Certificate of Research Completion

Students who require a Certificate of Research Completion must submit a report (format optional) with their supervisor's approval one month before their scheduled research period ends.

## 12. Withdrawal from research

To withdraw from the research, submit a Request to Withdraw from Research.

## 13. Other

(1) Students who violate the University's regulations may have their enrollment terminated.

(2) Documents submitted will not be returned to applicants, except possibly in cases where submitted documents are impossible to reissue. If a piece of documentation cannot be reissued, include a memo indicating as such with your application.

(3) Once an application has been accepted, entrance examination fees are not refundable.

(4) Those with an urgent need for a "Certificate of Research Permission" for visa procedures must request this document in advance.

## 14. Contact Information

Academic Affairs Section, Academic Affairs Administrative Affairs Division of Arakawa Campus Tokyo Metropolitan University Address: 7-2-10 Higashiogu, Arakawa-ku, Tokyo, 116-8551, Japan Tel: +81 (0)3 3819 1211 (ext. 247)

## Advance Web Application

### Visit the payment site homepage from your computer or cell phone at:



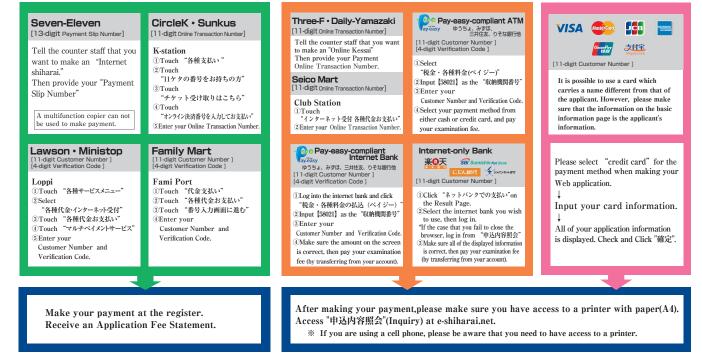
## https://e-shiharai.net/



\*You can not correct or cancel anything once your credit card payment has been made. Please check all your information carefully before you confirm the application.

\*If you input the wrong information when trying to obtain your application number, please start again from the beginning and then make your payment. If you are not able to make the required payment before the due date (you will receive this deadline upon completing the online application), all the information you had input will be canceled automatically.

## 2 Payment



#### Application 3



- •During payment periods and application periods mentioned in the application you documents can make а payment anytime Please confirm from application documents and complete payment in time for the application period.
- On the last date of the payment period, web applications will be closed at 11pm, and the final deadline for the information terminal at convenience stores will be at 11:30pm.
- Examination fee inquiries can not be handled at convenience stores. For further in-formation, please check our website.
- Please contact your credit card company if your card is not accepted.
- For the user who paid by means other than Seven-Eleven, ClircleK, Sunkus, Lawson, Ministop, or Family Mart, please access to "申込内容照会"(Inquiry) on e-shiharai.net after making your payment, then print out "収納証明書 (Certificate of Payment) to attach to your application sheet.
- ●You can only print out your "収納証明書" (Certificate of Payment) if you paid through a method other than at Sven-Eleven, ClircleK, Sunkus, Lawson, Ministop, or Family Mart.
- Please note that refunds are not possible once you have made a payment of Entrance examination fee.
- •A fee is added to your examination fee. For further info, please visit our website.