

TOKYO MEDICAL AND DENTAL UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL
Global Leadership Campus in Dental Sciences, 2023
(Japanese Government Scholarship Students)

Tokyo Medical and Dental University Graduate School recruits overseas students who will study oral health sciences with the support of the Japanese Government Scholarship and as part of the International Priority Graduate Programs (PGP) as follows:

1. FIELDS OF STUDY AND NUMBER OF GRANTEES

- (1) The Graduate School offers courses in the fields of dental research.
- (2) Number of grantees: 8 Students.

2. QUALIFICATIONS

- (1) Eligibility: New international graduate students from overseas who have a grade point average of 2.30 or above (3.00 Scale) and able to maintain that grade while receiving the scholarship.
(*In case an applicant is unable to calculate the GPA, please refer to “7. APPLICATION PROCEDURE,” (5) Recommendation letter, below.)
- (2) Nationality: Applicants must be nationals of countries to which the Japanese Government Scholarship is offered, and must not be residing in Japan at the time of application.
- (3) Age: Applicants must be born on or after April 2, 1988.
- (4) Academic Background:
 - (a) Completion or expected graduation by September 2023 with 18-years school curriculum (Medical, Dental, Pharmacy, or Veterinary degree) outside Japan.
 - (b) Applicant has received or expects to receive an academic degree equal to a bachelor’s degree in foreign university or other institute (limited to the facilities which the MEXT minister appoints as a facility which received the evaluation about the general situation such as the education research activities or a facility which follows it by the person who received the certification of the foreign government or the related organization) by completing courses that are 5 years or more in length (include completing the courses in Japan by completing correspondence classes offered by schools in that country and the course of study of a foreign educational facility that is designated under the foreign country’s educational system) by September 2023.
 - (c) Alternatively, an applicant’s ability may be recognized through an individual preliminary qualification exam in the Graduate School as being equal to or superior than the above (a) qualifications (with the completion of a 6 years Medical, Dental, Pharmacy, or Veterinary course), for applicants who will be at least 24 years old on September 30, 2023.
- (5) Health: Applicants must be in good health.
- (6) Language Ability: Applicants must have sufficient knowledge and skills in English by meeting one of the following conditions:
 - (1) Achieved an English language proficiency test score equivalent to the B2 CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) level or above at the time of admission.
(Test scores equivalent to the B2 CEFR level: TOEFL iBT 72-94, IELTS 5.5-6.5, and etc.)
 - (2) Completion of courses of study where the language of instruction is English that meet entry requirements to the Graduate School in Japan.
- (7) Arrival in Japan: Applicants must arrive in Japan from September 18 through October 14, 2023.
 - (*1) Military personnel and military civilian employees registered on the active list are not eligible.
 - (*2) The grant will be cancelled if the grantee fails to arrive in Japan by the designated date.
 - (*3) An applicant who has already won scholarships awarded by the government of his/her own country or/from private organizations is not eligible to be selected.
 - (*4) The grant will be cancelled if an applicant who is in a master’s program at the time of

application fails to complete his/her master's program by September 30, 2023.

(*5) The following people are not qualified to apply for this course:

- ① Those who applied or will apply for the Japanese Government Scholarship (*Monbukagakusho*) for the year 2023 with a recommendation for a university other than Tokyo Medical and Dental University.
 - ② Those who applied or will apply for the Japanese Government Scholarship (*Monbukagakusho*) for the year 2023 or 2024 with a recommendation from a Japanese embassy.
 - ③ Those who intend to study at a university in Japan under the Student Exchange Support Program offered by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO).
- (8) Visa acquisition: Applicants are required to acquire a “College Student” (*ryugaku*) visa when they come to Japan. Moreover, in exceptional cases when successful applicants have been residing in Japan before their acceptance under a status other than “College Student” and are to change their visa status within Japan, they must acquire a “College Student” visa by the end of the month prior to the month in which they are scheduled to start receiving the scholarship. Furthermore, please note that those who change their visa status to something other than “College Student” after arriving in Japan will also lose their qualifications to be Japanese Government Scholarship recipients from the date when they change their visa status.

3. TERM OF SCHOLARSHIP

Four years from October 2023 to September 2027 as full-time graduate students, at the maximum.

4. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

- (1) Allowance: 148,000 yen per month (estimated based on fiscal year 2022’s amount) will be given to each grantee during the term of his/her scholarship. However, the scholarship will be suspended if a grantee is long absent from the university.
- (2) Travel Expenses:
 - a. Transportation to Japan: The grantee will be supplied with a tourist class air ticket from the international airport nearest to his/her home address to the Tokyo International Airport Narita or Haneda. (*1)
 - b. Transportation from Japan: The grantee going back to his/her home country within the fixed period after the expiration of the scholarship will be supplied upon application, with a tourist class air ticket from the New Tokyo International Airport to the international airport nearest to his/her home address.(*1) Any aviation and accident insurance to and from Japan shall be borne by the grantee.
(*2) Departure and arrival airport are only his/her land of citizenship.
- (3) Tuition and Other Fees: Fees for the entrance examination, matriculation, and tuition will be exempted.

5. SELECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

- (1) Tokyo Medical and Dental University Graduate School will select candidates from applicants by screening application documents, and will then recommend them for the Monbukagakusho.
- (2) Monbukagakusho will make a final decision on grantees by reviewing the relevant documents, and will then notify Tokyo Medical and Dental University Graduate School of the results.
- (3) Upon notification from Monbukagakusho, grantees will be notified of acceptance in early July. Grantees will then be able to enroll as full-time graduate students.

6. FEATURES OF THE GRADUATE COURSE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- (1) Grantees will engage study and research through the medium of English.
- (2) Grantees have the opportunity to take the following courses:
[Elective Basic Courses]

1. International Clinical Dental Training Course
2. International Dental Alliance Internship Course
3. International Community Dental Health Training Course
4. International Dental Education Course

[Applied Elective Courses]

1. Dental Sciences Expert Course
2. Data Sciences Course

- (3) Grantees are eligible to submit a dissertation based on their research work to the Tokyo Medical and Dental University Graduate School. If the Tokyo Medical and Dental University Graduate School accepts such a dissertation as sufficient for a doctor's degree, the grantee will be awarded a Ph.D.

7. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All the following documents must be submitted to International Student Support Unit at Tokyo Medical and Dental University from **December 26, 2022 to January 20, 2023**.

- (1) Application form for Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship
(digital file and a paper version printed on both sides)
- (2) Field of Study and Study Program (digital file and a paper version printed on both sides)
- (3) Recommendation Report: Form1 (for prospective supervisor's use)
- (4) Total academic Report: Form3 (for prospective supervisor's use)
- (5) Recommendation letter(s):

Required: A letter of reference from the dean of the graduate school or head of the institution to which the applicant belongs.

Desired: A letter of reference from a supervisor who knows the applicant personally.

All recommendation letters should be addressed to “the President of Tokyo Medical and Dental University”.

If the GPA cannot be calculated, the reasons why it cannot be calculated as well as why it is considered to be equivalent to 2.30 or above should be stated in the recommendation letter to the **President of Tokyo Medical and Dental University** as "(Applicant) is placed within the top 30% of his/her graduating cohort since his/her grade rank is XX out of XX students in the Graduate School". Any other proof will not be accepted. **The submission of the above letter of recommendation will not be accepted for an applicant whose GPA is less than 2.30 as the result of a calculation.**

- (6) A photograph or digital image taken within the past 6 months.
Format: 4.5 × 3.5 cm in size, upper frontal view, without a hat
Write your name and nationality on the back, and paste it on the application form as indicated.
- (7) Certificate of family register or citizenship in the applicant's home country
- (8) Official academic transcripts from university and/or graduate school attended
- (9) Certificates of graduation from university and of completion (or prospective completion) of graduate course or degree (if applicable)
- (10) Academic record/transcript which certifies the achievement of an excellent academic record issued by the last school. (ex: GPA, Classification, ranking, etc.)
- (11) Thesis by which the applicant earned his/her master's degree or its equivalent (in English)
(If the applicant attended a master's program which does not require a master's thesis, please state so and submit its equivalent, if any.)
- (12) **Certificate of proficiency in the English language (e.g. TOEFL, TOEIC scores)**
- (13) A photocopy of your passport
- (14) Medical Certificate (Should be within last six months) : Form4

8. IMPORTANT NOTICES IN SUBMISSION OF THE DOCUMENTS

- (1) **Applicants are advised to keep in close contact with their prospective supervisor to discuss their research in the course since supervisors must submit the student's study plan to Monbukagakusho.**

Government of Japan.

- (2) All the documents should be typed in English or Japanese on paper of the same size (A4 size, preferably). A Japanese translation is needed if an official certificate is in another language.
- (3) Documents of #7 (1) (2) (3) must be submitted on paper and by digital file document.
- (4) No application will be accepted unless all the documents mentioned above are fully and accurately completed. Any application arriving after the deadline will not be accepted.
- (5) Once submitted, documents will not be returned to applicants for any reason.

9. RECRUITMENT

In order to attract the most promising candidates, applicants are recruited extensively from the academic circle of institutions which have a record of research collaboration with Tokyo Medical and Dental University or which send students to Tokyo Medical and Dental University, as well as from other educational institutions, research institutions, administrative agencies and other institutions.

10. NOTES

- (1) A grantee's scholarship award will be canceled in any of the following cases:
 - a. A false statement has been made on the application documents.
 - b. Violation of any article of the grantee's pledge to the Monbukagaku-daijin (Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Government of Japan).
 - c. Having been subjected to disciplinary action by the university or to be found to have no prospect for academic achievement.
 - d. When your annual grade point average falls below 2.30.
- (2) Grantees are advised to have some knowledge on Japanese culture, manners, university education and conditions in general before coming to Japan. Study and research will be conducted in English, but grantees are strongly advised to learn Japanese to enable a smooth life in Japan.
- (3) Grantees are advised to bring the approximate equivalent of US \$2,000 to cover immediate needs after their arrival in Japan since the scholarship allowance will be paid a while later.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

For questions, contact us by letter or fax at:

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