

**Application Guide 2025**  
**Global Infectious Disease Research Leadership Initiative through Data Science**  
**(GID-Leadership Initiative)**  
**(Self-supporting students)**

Institute of Science Tokyo Graduate School recruits overseas students by own expense who will study at a PhD program in Implementation Global Infectious Disease Research Leadership Initiative through Data Science.

**1. FIELDS OF STUDY AND NUMBER OF STUDENTS TO BE ADMITTED**

- (1) Institute of Science Tokyo Graduate School offers courses in basic, clinical, and public health medicine fields conducting research related to data science medicine.
- (2) Number of students to be admitted: Approx 4

**2. QUALIFICATIONS**

- (1) Eligibility: International student of graduate school level. Those who work at public institutions and universities with good professional records and are seeking to study data science medicine from the viewpoint of basic, clinical, and public health medicine are eligible to apply to this track.
- (2) Nationality: Nationals other than Japanese.
- (3) Academic Background: (a) Applicants must have a minimum of 18 years of education or will complete such education by the end of September 2025.  
(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 2025.
- (4) Health: Applicants must be in good health.
- (5) Language Ability: Applicants must have sufficient knowledge and skills in English
- (6) Arrival in Japan: Applicants must arrive in Japan by October 1, 2025.

(\*1) Acceptance will be cancelled if an applicant fail to arrive in Japan by the designated date.

(\*2) Acceptance will be cancelled if an applicant on a master's program at the time of application fails to complete the master's program by September 30, 2025.

**3. TUITION AND OTHER COSTS (estimated based on the amount in the fiscal year 2024)**

- (1) Fee for the entrance examination: JPY 36,000.
- (2) Fee for matriculation: JPY 282,000.
- (3) Tuition; JPY 535,800.

\* Please note that these fees may change.

**4. SELECTION AND ACCEPTANCE**

- (1) Institute of Science Tokyo Graduate School will select candidates by a review of the application documents.
- (2) Successful applicants will receive notice of acceptance to the program by the end of July. Accepted applicants will enroll as full-time graduate students.

**5. FEATURES OF GRADUATE COURSE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

- (1) Students will engage in studying and research, using English.

- (2) Applicants will be able to apply to this program while he/she is in their home countries.
- (3) Once students gain required credits at PhD course, submit a dissertation on their research work, and pass a final examination, students will be awarded a PhD degree (Medicine or Philosophy).

## 6. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Prospective applicant must contact with prospective supervisor at Institute of Science Tokyo, Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences (Medical Faculties) for this application. All the following documents must be submitted to the Dean of the Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Institute of Science Tokyo with a letter of approval from the applicant's current supervisor, or if the applicant is a student, from the head of the applicant's department. The documents must be sent by email to the Yushima International Student Support Group between **April 7, 2025, and April 25, 2025 (If it is difficult to submit in electronic format, please consult in advance).**

- (1) Application form
- (2) Field of Study and Research Plan
- (3) Recommendation Letter: A letter of reference from the head of the institution the applicant belongs to and another reference is desirable from a supervisor who knows the applicant personally. All recommendation letters should be addressed to the President of Institute of Science Tokyo.
- (4) For those who reside outside Japan: Certificate of family register, birth certificate or citizenship in their home country (if applicable).  
For those who are already in Japan: Photocopy of resident card (color copy of both sides)
- (5) Official academic transcripts from university and/or graduate school attended.
- (6) Certificates of graduation from university and Certificate of completion (or prospective completion) of graduate course or degree.
- (7) Thesis by which the applicant obtained his/her master's degree or its equivalent (in English).  
If the applicant attended a master's program which does not require the master's thesis, please state so and submit its equivalent, if any.
- (8) Training and supervision plan and Academic Report (prepared and submitted by prospective supervisor)
- (9) A photocopy of your passport:
- (10) Fee for the entrance examination: JPY36,000 - (estimated, based on fiscal year 2024's amount) Concerning the how to pay the entrance exam fee, please contact the Yushima International Student Support Group by email at [fssu@ml.tmd.ac.jp].
- (11) A document to certify English proficiency, such as a TOEFL score, if an applicant is not a native in English.

## 7. ENROLLMENT TERM

October 1, 2025

## 8. IMPORTANT NOTICES IN SUBMISSION OF THE DOCUMENTS

- (1) Applicants are required to conduct an online interview with their prospective supervisor in advance to discuss their research program, as supervisors need to prepare the student's training and supervision plan.
- (2) All the documents should be typed in English on paper of the same size (A4 size, preferably).
- (3) Documents of #6 1), 2), must be in the form provided by Science Tokyo.
- (4) No application will be accepted unless all the documents mentioned above are fully and accurately completed.
- (5) Any application arriving after the deadline will not be accepted.
- (6) The documents once submitted will not be returned to applicants for any reason.

## 9. RECRUITMENT

In search of promising human resources, applicants are recruited extensively from the academic circle

which have a record of research collaborations with Institute of Science Tokyo or sending students to Institute of Science Tokyo.

10. OTHERS

- (1) Students can apply for exemption of tuition, which decision will be based on student's academic performance and financial status.
- (2) Students are encouraged to apply for scholarships other than the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho, MEXT) Scholarship.

11. NOTES

- (1) Students will be deprived of their student status in any of the following cases:
  - a. A false statement has been made on their application documents.
  - b. They have been subjected to disciplinary action by the university or have no prospect for academic achievement.
- (2) Prospective students are advised to have some knowledge on Japanese climate, customs and manners, and university education and conditions in general before coming to Japan. Studying and research are conducted in English, but students are strongly advised to study the Japanese language for everyday life.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

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