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Tokyo Metropolitan University

Graduate School of Science

[Doctoral Program]

**“Tokyo Human Resources Fund for City Diplomacy”**

International Student Special Selection

**Application Guidelines**

## < “Tokyo Human Resources Fund for City Diplomacy” International Student Special Selection >

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government established the “Tokyo Human Resources Fund for City Diplomacy” in 2015 to seamlessly implement programs for fostering human resources that are essential to promote intercity cooperation, for approximately next ten years.

Accordingly, under the “Tokyo Human Resources Fund for City Diplomacy” Scholarship Program, the Graduate School of Science at Tokyo Metropolitan University (TMU) run by the public university corporation founded by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, is accepting excellent international students to study at TMU for the academic year 2020. This program provides financial support including tuition exemption, stipend and others, for students who pass our special selective examination in order to concentrate on their study and research.

Please note that this program may not be implemented unless Tokyo Metropolitan Government budget for fiscal year of 2020 is enacted by March 31, 2020.

### **1. Number of Students to Be Recruited**

Approximately 15 students (including four to be accepted for the Research Project on “Material science of layered compounds for future energy materials” and including four to be accepted for the Research Project on “Development of New Bio-Based Functional Polymers by Efficient Molecular Catalysis”)

### **2. Eligibility**

To be eligible for the “Tokyo Human Resources Fund for City Diplomacy” International Student Special Selection, applicants must meet all of the following requirements in each item:

- (1) Hold a master’s or a professional degree, or the equivalent (including persons with clear prospect of obtaining the above degree). Or be considered to have an academic ability at least equivalent to that of a master’s/professional degree holder, based on an individual screening conducted by the Graduate School of Science, and have reached the age of 24 at the time of enrollment.
- (2) Be either one of the following:
  - (a) Possess a nationality of one of the Asian countries and regions (Note 1) and newly enter Japan as an international student
  - (b) Possess a nationality of a country/region other than the Asian countries or regions (Note 1), and be registered with an educational institution or a central/local government organization or a similar public organization with its main campus/institute/office located in either in an Asian country/region or in one of the Sister and Friendship Cities/States of Tokyo and Others (Note 2) at the time of application
  - (c) Those being a recipient of this scholarship program and being enrolled in a master’s program at TMU at the time of application (however, this eligibility is limited to those being academically outstanding and applying for a doctoral program at TMU)
- (3) Have sufficient communication skills in Japanese or English for pursuing study and living in Japan, and willingness to learn basic Japanese language to the level of understanding daily conversation by the time of completion of their program.

- (4) Be willing to work for any of the following after completion of their program:
- (a) Company with its headquarters or a branch office in Tokyo (regardless of work location in or outside Japan)
  - (b) University or a research institute in or outside Japan
  - (c) Central/local government organization or a similar public organization in or outside Japan
- (5) Be willing to cooperate in forming a human network of Japan specialists and contribute to deepening the mutual understanding/friendship between Japan and international cities by utilizing knowledge and technology gained at TMU after completion of their program.
- (6) Obtain a “Student” visa at the time of entry to Japan. Therefore, the following are not eligible: persons entering Japan with a visa or a status of residence other than the “Student,” or being enrolled at a university in Japan with a “Student” status of residence at the time of application (including research students. However, those in (2) (c) are eligible).
- (7) Be mentally and physically sound to pursue study and research at the university.
- (8) Not fall under any of the following; once an applicant has been found to fall under any after being accepted, the acceptance to TMU may be cancelled.
- (a) Those with Japanese citizenship, special permanent resident status or who are allowed to reside in Japan permanently according to the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act at the time of application.
  - (b) Those who are military personnel on active duty or army civilian employees
  - (c) Those who will receive a scholarship, research fund and the like from other institutions at the time of enrollment
  - (d) Those who have ever enrolled in a doctoral program of Tokyo Metropolitan University or another university in Japan as a Japanese Government Scholarship international student
- (9) Obtain a ‘Permission to take the examination’ from the school.

(Note 1) “Asian countries and regions” refer to the countries or regions of the East Asia, the Southeast Asia, and the South Asia, including India, Indonesia, Cambodia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, South Korea, China, Nepal, Pakistan, Bangladesh, East Timor, Philippines, Bhutan, Brunei, Vietnam, Malaysia, Myanmar, Maldives, Mongolia, Laos and Taiwan.

(Note 2) “Sister and Friendship Cities/States of Tokyo and Others” refers to the following cities, cities which belong to Asian Network of Major Cities 21, and other major cities with which the Tokyo Metropolitan Government explores inter-city diplomacy:

<Sister and Friendship Cities/States of Tokyo >

New York, Beijing, Paris, New South Wales, Seoul, Jakarta, Sao Paulo, Cairo, Moscow, Berlin, Rome and London

<Member of Asian Network of Major Cities 21>

Bangkok, Delhi, Hanoi, Jakarta, Kuala Lumpur, Manila, Seoul, Singapore, Taipei, Toms, Ulan Bator and Yangon

### 3. Pre-application Consultation

The candidate must submit the required documentation specified by the Graduate School of

Science in advance in order to receive a permission to take the examination.

The candidate must communicate with the prospective supervisor well before the deadline of the document submission, and must submit Materials D through J (digital data is also acceptable) in the following section of “4. Application (3) Materials” to the Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Science by Friday, February 21, 2020. Blank data of prescribed formats will be sent from the prospective supervisor by email.

Further inquiries should be directed to the prospective supervisor or to the Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Science (email address: rikou.r@jmj.tmu.ac.jp).

#### 4. Application

(1) Application Period: Wednesday, April 1 to Friday, April 24, 2020  
(Applications must arrive on or before April 24, 2020.)

(2) Address: Academic Affairs Section,  
Graduate School of Science, Tokyo Metropolitan University  
1-1 Minami-Osawa, Hachioji-shi, Tokyo 192-0397, Japan

(3) Materials for Submission:

Materials	Notes
A/ Application for Admission, Examination Admission Card, Photo Card	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science (reverse side needs also to be filled in)</li> <li>• In the designated space attach a picture, 4cm (H) x 3cm (W), which shows your face and torso. It must be taken within three months prior to applying.</li> <li>• Write your intended research topic (or topic of interest) in the space for research area on the application card.</li> </ul>
B/ Certification of (Prospective) Completion of Pre-doctoral Coursework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation written by the President of your university.</li> </ul>
C/ Medical Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science.</li> </ul>
D/ Application Form (Form 1 )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science and complete it in English or Japanese.</li> <li>• Attach an outline of your master’s thesis.</li> </ul>
E/ Recommendation Form (Form 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation written by the supervisor of your university or the Head of your place of employment.</li> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science and complete it in English or Japanese.</li> </ul>
F/ Academic Transcript	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation created by the President of your university Spanning from the first year of undergraduate until the most recent transcripts.</li> </ul>
G/ Research Achievements and Study Program (Form 3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science and complete it in English or Japanese.</li> </ul>

H/ Future Career Plans and Future Contribution to Tokyo Metropolitan University and Tokyo Metropolitan Government (Form 4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science and complete it in English or Japanese.</li> </ul>
I/ Written Pledge (Form 5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science.</li> </ul>
J/ Passport Photocopy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The page on which your name and nationality are printed.</li> </ul>
K/Housing Inquiry (Form 6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the form prescribed by Graduate School of Science and complete it in English or Japanese.</li> </ul>
L/ Picture for a certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4cm (H) x 3cm (W), two copies showing your face and torso. It must be taken within three months prior to applying.</li> </ul>

## 5. Selection Method of Applicants

A successful applicant will be selected based on the results of the oral examination and upon the content of the documentation submitted.

- (1) Selection Date: Date designated by the school between Friday, May 1 to Monday, May 25, 2020
- (2) Test Venue: Location designated by the school.
- (3) Test Subjects: (Oral Exam) Questioning centered on your subject of specialization.

Attention: You will be contacted by the faculty in your desired field of study about test times etc.

## 6. Notice of Results

Prospective date of mailing: Monday, June 15, 2020

## 7. Enrollment Procedures

The documents for enrollment will be sent to successful applicant after the notice of results. Details will be provided following the announcement of acceptance.

## 8. Enrollment Date

Thursday, October 1, 2020

## 9. Support for Enrollees

The following financial assistances will be provided to those who have completed the enrollment procedures.

- (1) Entrance Examination Fee and Admission fee  
Exempted
- (2) Tuition Fees  
Exempted for the designated duration of a doctoral program (three consecutive years)

### (3) Stipend

Students will be provided with a monthly stipend of 150,000 yen. The stipend is provided for a maximum duration of three consecutive years for doctoral students starting from October 2020.

### (4) Travel Expenses

Students will be provided with a one-way ticket (economy-class) from the nearest international airport to the place of their residence to Narita or Haneda International Airport. When students return to their country after receiving a degree, a return ticket (economy-class) from Narita or Haneda International Airport to the nearest international airport to the place of their residence will be provided. However, students need to pay transportation fee from Narita or Haneda International Airport to their campus and from their campus to Narita or Haneda International Airport by themselves.

\* A return ticket will not be provided for students who take a leave of absence or withdraw from TMU and for those who make a temporary return home when remaining in Japan after the end of scholarship period. However, if students withdraw after earning all the required credits within the prescribed duration of a program, the travel expenses will be covered.

### (5) Housing Assistances

Students can apply for TMU International Student House (for the first one year of stay only, in principle.) All applicants must submit the housing inquiry regardless of the presence or absence of their requests.

\* Students are responsible for the rent, food expenses, etc.

\* Housing arrangements will be made only for single stay students. TMU is not able to introduce any family-type housing. If students wish to bring their family, students are responsible for all procedures regarding their family. (TMU is unable to provide assistances on family matters.)

### (6) Notes

\* In the event that students violate their pledge made at their enrollment or significantly infringe the rules, regulations of Tokyo Metropolitan University, that students take a leave of absence from TMU and that students change their status of residence as “student” into another status of residence, TMU shall discontinue the aforementioned financial assistances. TMU may also demand full repayment of the enrollment fees or the money already paid as financial assistances, depending on the situation.

\* In addition to the above, in the event that students neglect the monthly confirmation of the enrollment, TMU may suspend the payment of “exemption of tuition fees” and “monthly stipend.”

\* In the event that students apply for another scholarship while studying on this program, TMU will withdraw financial support from such students. However, this does not include such scholarships as start the payment of stipend after this program is completed.

## **10. Duties after the graduation**

After completion of their program, by utilizing knowledge and technology gained during the stay at TMU, students must cooperate in forming a human network of Japan specialists and contribute to deepening the mutual understanding/friendship between Tokyo and international cities.

**11. Points to Remember**

- \* Even after you have been accepted for enrollment, your enrollment status will be revoked if any impropriety or fraud is discovered during the testing or the application procedures.
- \*The submitted documents and certificates will not be returned under any circumstances.