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Instructions for Entrance Application

Doctoral Program
Department of Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies,
Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo
Academic Year 2026

These instructions supplement the "Guidelines for Applicants to the 2026 Doctoral Program, Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Tokyo (Guidelines)" and explain provisions specific to the Department of Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies. Applicants should first read the Guidelines as they contain important information, including qualifications required for application and application procedures common to all research programs. Please note that the application period is divided into Application Schedule A and B and that application to both the General Course and the Advanced Science and Technology Innovator Development Course is possible during both periods.

The Advanced Science and Technology Innovator Development Course was established with the working person in mind. Unless the applicant has obtained or expects to obtain a master's degree or a professional degree from a Graduate School at The University of Tokyo, applicants to the course are required to submit an official score certificate of TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test (TOEIC program IP test score is not acceptable). After entering this course, students must obtain credits for the classes "Leadership/Talent Growth Program (I)-Proposal-" (year-round) and "Leadership/Talent Growth Program (II)- English Advanced Science Technology-" (winter-only). Students in the General Course can also take these classes, but it is not mandatory for them. A working person can apply to either course but needs to confirm the timing of the required English test for each course in advance.

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1. Application Procedure

(1) Eligibility requirements

Refer to [Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Tokyo Guidelines for Applicants to the 2026 Doctoral Program]

(2) Entrance periods

Application Schedule A: October 2025 or April 2026

Application Schedule B: April 2026

(3) Admission quota: 46 (between both the General Course and Advanced Science and Technology Innovator Development Course)

(4) Graduate degree conferred: Doctor of Philosophy or Doctor of Engineering

(5) Research and thesis advisor:

Students admitted to the graduate program for Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies carry out research under the guidance of a designated faculty member who serves as the student's research and thesis advisor. Applicants must identify a faculty member with whom they propose to conduct their research and then contact the faculty member to arrange an interview in which the applicant describes his or her academic achievements, research experience, research abilities, and research plans during the designated interview period before applying. Applicants will not be allowed to take the oral examination if they fail to complete this procedure due to any of the applicant's circumstances.

The faculty members available to serve as an advisor are pointed out in Section 2 of these instructions, "Research Topics and Faculty Members in Department of Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies, Graduate School of Engineering".

For those who would like to apply for either course, enter the name of the faculty member and the date when your interview with them was conducted in the appropriate section of the "Applicant Information Sheet".

(6) Entrance examination

In this department, applicants will be comprehensively judged based on their application documents, the master's thesis submitted, and the results of foreign language examinations (English) and oral examinations.

The details for each test are as follows.

Foreign language examination (English): Note that the English score required depends on the courses described below.

Applicants who have completed or are expected to complete a master's program or professional degree program at the graduate school of The University of Tokyo will be exempt from the foreign language (English) examination. (Submission of TOEFL scores or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test official score certificates will not be required.)

Course	Foreign language examination
General Course	The applicant must submit a TOEFL official score from a test administrated in September 2023 or later if applying during Application Schedule A and February 2024 or later if applying during Application Schedule B by the due date. Plan a test schedule

	<p>that allows for the submission of official scores by the deadline.</p> <p>Please refer to "Notice regarding Foreign Language (English) Examinations in 2026 The University of Tokyo Graduate School of Engineering Entrance Examinations (How to submit TOEFL score) (Master's Program, Doctoral Program 【Application Schedule A・B】)" for detailed information.</p> <p>If the score report is not received by the designated date due to the applicant's circumstances (or circumstances on the part of the TOEFL test administrator), the score of the foreign language (English) test will be regarded as zero. (The TOEFL Official Score Report will be considered as submitted once the online data can be verified by the office.)</p>
Advanced Science and Technology Innovator Development Course	<p>The applicant must submit an Official Score Certificate of TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test from a test administered in September 2023 or later if applying during Application Schedule A, or in February 2024 or later if applying during Application Schedule B (scores of TOEIC Program IP tests are not accepted). Plan a test schedule that allows for the submission of Official Score Certificates by the deadline.</p> <p>If the score certificate is not received by the designated date due to the applicant's circumstances (or circumstances on the part of the TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test administrator), the score of the foreign language (English) test will be regarded as zero.</p> <p>The Digital Official Score Certificate (PDF file) must arrive by the designated date. However, for those who took the exam in countries or regions where a Digital Official Score Certificate is not issued, they should submit the original printed Official Score Certificate by registered mail. If the original printed certificate will not arrive by the due date, it is acceptable to send a PDF copy by the deadline and then mail the original printed certificate immediately once it is available.</p>

Oral examination:

*The applicant's research achievements since graduation from undergraduate school (or since completing undergraduate studies) will be evaluated on the basis of a 12-minute presentation by the applicant on their previous research and future research plans, and of a subsequent oral examination. The presentation should be based on materials submitted prior to the examination.

*The oral examination will be conducted online. The examination environment for the oral examination must be prepared by the applicant. The examination environment will be inspected by the reviewers prior to the presentation.

Schedule and procedure

Procedure	Application Schedule A	Application Schedule B
Interview Period	Monday, March 3 – Thursday, May 29, 2025	Friday, September 5 – Thursday, November 27, 2025
Application Period	Friday, May 30 – 15:00, Thursday, June 5, 2025	Friday, November, 28 – 15:00, Thursday December 4, 2025
Due date for TOEFL/TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test Score submission	17:00 on Friday, June 27, 2025	17:00 on Friday, December 12, 2025
Notification of dates for oral examinations	Around Thursday, August 7, 2025	Around Thursday, December 25, 2025
Examination Dates	Monday, August 25 – Friday, August 29, 2025	Tuesday, January 13 – Friday, January 16, 2026
Announcement of Successful Applicants	Around 16:00 on Friday, September 5, 2025	Around 16:00 on Thursday, February 12, 2026

(7) Documents to submit

Along with the application form and the materials specified in item 7 of the Guidelines, the applicant should submit the following materials to the Office of the Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo, via the online application system. (To submit an English Score, follow the instructions in item A below.)

A.	Refer to (6) Foreign Language Examination (English)	General Course	A TOEFL Institutional (Official) Score Report (confirmation with online data). Refer to "Notice regarding Foreign language (English) Examinations in 2026 The University of Tokyo Graduate School of Engineering Entrance Examinations (How to submit TOEFL Score) (Master's Program, Doctoral Program 【 Application Schedule A · B 】 " of each application schedule for detailed information. Applicants who have already obtained or expect to obtain a master's degree or a professional degree from a Graduate School at the University of Tokyo are exempt from this requirement.
		Advanced Science and Technology Innovator Development Course	An Official Score Certificate of TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test provided by The Institute for International Business Communication (IIBC) or the TOEIC Test Administration Organization in your country. Upload using the online application system or send the Digital Official Score Certificate (PDF file) by e-mail; otherwise, submit the original printed Official Score Certificate by registered

		<p>mail. TOEIC Program IP test scores are not acceptable. Applicants who have already obtained or expect to obtain a master's degree or a professional degree from the Graduate School at the University of Tokyo are exempt from this requirement.</p> <p>Please refer to the Contact information on the cover page for the destination.</p>
B.	Applicant Information Sheet	<p>(Create a sheet using the form downloaded from the site below) https://www.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/soe/admission/general-guideline?hsLang=en</p> <p>If there are items that cannot be fully described in the application for admission such as educational or work experience, they should be described in a separate document and submitted with the Information Sheet.</p>
C.	Report on the applicant's research achievements	This report should summarize the applicant's research from the completion of undergraduate studies to the present in Japanese or English. Including figures and tables, the material should not exceed four A4 (or letter) sized sheets.
D.	List of publications, etc.	These should be arranged in the order of 1) original research papers published in academic journals, 2) overview/review articles, 3) oral presentations, and 4) others. Described in Japanese or English on A4 (or letter) sized sheets.
E.	Research plans	These should be described on two to four A4 (or letter) sized sheets in Japanese or English.
F.	Master's thesis	(Only for applicants who have submitted a thesis to the graduate school described in their application.) Refer to (8) Other .

(8) Other

- For applicants following application schedule A who expect to obtain a master's degree on/after October 2025, the second examination (master's thesis review) will be conducted between mid-January and early February 2026. Successful applicants will be notified of the deadline for their master's thesis submission. Those following application schedule A who are expected to obtain a master's degree by September 2025, and thus have not completed their master's thesis at the time of application, must submit a draft of the master's thesis, an abstract, or an equivalent document instead.

- Those following application schedule B who are expected to obtain a master's degree by March 2026, and thus have not completed their master's thesis at the time of application, must submit a draft of the master's thesis, an abstract, or an equivalent document instead.

- Persons with disabilities may require special consideration when taking examinations and attending courses. Such persons are requested to contact the School of Engineering Administrative Division (Reception for inquiries: <https://www.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/contact> Tel: 03-5841-6038, 7747) and the Office of Educational and Research Support, Research Center for Advanced Science and Technology (refer to **Contact** on the cover page) when submitting their application.

2. Research Topics and Faculty Members in Department of Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies, Graduate School of Engineering

Detailed information regarding research topics and faculty members is available on our website.

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