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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 2027

These instructions supplement the "Guidelines for Applicants to the 2027 Doctoral Program, Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Tokyo" (referred to as the Guidelines from here on) 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 student in mind. 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.

Note: Applicants who have 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 the abovementioned foreign language (English) examination requirement.

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URL: <https://www.ais.rcast.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/admission/index.html>

## 1. Application Procedure

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

(2) **Graduate degree conferred:** Doctor of Philosophy or Doctor of Engineering

(3) **Preferred research and thesis advisor and preliminary interview:**

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 preliminary interview period before applying. Applicants will not be allowed to take the entrance 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 at the end of this document, entitled "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".

(4) **Entrance examination**

In this department, a document screening will be conducted based on the submitted application documents as described in section (5) below, including the results of the foreign language (English) examination. Applicants who pass the document screening will proceed to the oral examination.

The details for each examination are as follows.

**Foreign language (English) examination:**

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 a graduate school at 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	<p><u>The applicant must submit a TOEFL official score from a test administrated in September 2024 or later if applying during Application Schedule A, or in February 2025 or later if applying during Application Schedule B by the due date. Plan a test schedule that allows for the submission of official scores by the deadline.</u></p> <p>Please refer to "AY 2027 Graduate School of Engineering Entrance Examinations Guidelines for Submission of TOEFL Score" for detailed information. (Please be aware that all procedures listed in ① through ③ in that same "Graduate School of Engineering</p>

	<p>Entrance Examinations Guidelines for Submission of TOEFL Score" are required.)</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) examination 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> <p>Note: the deadline for score submission designated by Department of Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies is as written in the "Schedule and procedure" section below.</p>
<p>Advanced Science and Technology Innovator Development Course</p>	<p><u>The applicant must submit an Official Score Certificate of TOEIC® Listening &amp; Reading Test from a test administrated in September 2024 or later if applying during Application Schedule A, or in February 2025 or later if applying during Application Schedule B. Plan a test schedule that allows for the submission of Official Score Certificates by the deadline.</u></p> <p>Scores of TOEIC Program IP tests are not accepted. Make sure to upload The Digital Official Score Certificates of TOEIC® Listening &amp; Reading Test to “My Page” on the WEB Application System.</p> <p>If the score certificates are not uploaded by the designated date due to the applicant's circumstances (or circumstances on the part of the TOEIC® Listening &amp; Reading Test administrator), the score of the foreign language (English) examination will be regarded as zero.</p> <p>The Digital Official Score Certificate (PDF file) must be uploaded 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 to the address listed in the "Contact" information on page 1 of these instructions. If the original printed certificate will not arrive by the due date, it is acceptable to upload a PDF copy by the deadline and then mail the original printed certificate immediately once it is available.</p>

### Document screening:

A document screening will be carried out based on the documents to submit as described in section (5) below. The document screening results will be posted to this department’s homepage. Only individuals who pass the document screening will be qualified to take the oral examination; all others will be disqualified.

### 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
Preliminary interview period	Monday, March 2— Thursday, May 28, 2026	Friday, September 4— Thursday, November 26, 2026
Application period	Friday, May 29— 15:00 on Thursday, June 4, 2026	Friday, November 27— 15:00 on Thursday, December 3, 2026
Due date for uploading of TOEFL/TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test Scores	15:00 on Thursday, June 4, 2026	15:00 on Thursday, December 3, 2026
Document screening results posted online	Around Friday, July 31, 2026	Around Friday, December 25, 2026
Notification of dates for oral examinations	Around Thursday, August 6, 2026	Around Thursday, January 7, 2027
Oral examination dates	Monday, August 31 – Friday, September 4, 2026	Monday, January 18 – Friday, January 22, 2027

**(5) 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 WEB Application System. (To submit an English score, follow the instructions in item A below.)

A.	TOEFL score or TOEIC L&R score (Refer to section (4) above)	General Course	A TOEFL Institutional (Official) Score Report (confirmation with online data). Refer to "AY 2027 Graduate School of Engineering Entrance Examinations Guidelines for Submission of TOEFL Scores" 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	An Official Score Certificate of TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test. Upload your Digital Official Score Certificate (PDF file) using the WEB Application System; otherwise, submit the original printed Official Score Certificate by registered mail.

		Course	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.
B.	Applicant Information Sheet	(Create a sheet using the form downloaded from the site below) <a href="https://www.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/study-at-utokyo/soe/apply/guideline">https://www.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/study-at-utokyo/soe/apply/guideline</a>  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.	
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 <b>(6) Other</b> .	

Note: as described in “Section 7. Document Submission” of the Guidelines, applicants are required to submit a transcript from their previous institution(s) (both undergraduate and graduate), except for those who have graduated (or are expected to graduate) from the Graduate School of Engineering of the University of Tokyo.

## (6) Other

- For applicants following application schedule A who expect to obtain a master's degree on/after October 2026, the second examination (master's thesis review) will be conducted between mid-January and early February 2027. Applicants who pass the first examination will be notified of the deadline for digitally submitting their master's thesis in or after mid-December. Those following application schedule A who are expected to obtain a master's degree by September 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.

- Those following application schedule B who are expected to obtain a master's degree by March 2027, 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/about/info/contact>) and the Office of Educational and Research Support, Research Center for Advanced Science and Technology (refer to **Contact** on page 1) when submitting their applications.

## **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.

<https://www.ais.rcast.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/about/facultylist.html>

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