

Admission Guidelines (simplified ver.) for 2018 Master's Programme in Sport and Olympic Studies Master's Programme in Health and Sport Sciences Graduate School of Comprehensive Human Sciences (for International Students)

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Enrolment

1 October 2018

Programme Term: Oct. 2018 – Mar. 2020 (18 months)

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Expenses

International students are exempt from paying examination fees, admission fees, and tuition.

Eligibility for Application

Applicants must meet one of the following criteria:

- Individuals who have graduated or who will finish a four-year programme at a Japanese university by September 2018.
- Individuals whose education spans 16 years or more and includes a bachelor's degree from outside of Japan, or individuals who will obtain their bachelor's degree by September 2018.
- Individuals who have received or will receive a bachelor's degree in Japan by September 2018.
- Individuals who are 22 years of age or older by September 2018, and whose qualification is recognised as equivalent to a bachelor's degree through eligibility screening(*) conducted by the University of Tsukuba.
*The University of Tsukuba conducts eligibility screening to assess whether applicants' academic standing is equivalent or superior to that of a graduate from a Japanese four-year university. Applicants who do not meet any of criteria 1-3 will need to contact the TIAS Admissions Office after release of the Admission Guidelines in early November (and by 27 December 2017, 17:00 JST). The necessary documents will be sent to applicants who are required to undergo eligibility screening.

Schedule (JST)

Deadline to apply for eligibility screening	27 December 2017, 17:00
Web entry	24 January 2018, 12:00 – 23 February 2018, 15:00
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Oral examination (Skype interview)	3 April 2018 – 5 April 2018
Announcement of final results	10 May 2018, 15:00 on website

Application Documents

① Web Entry

- Applicant's information
- Employment records (if applicable)
- Research activity (if applicable)
- Research plan

② Required Documents

(Original or certified true copy of documents must be submitted by registered mail)

- (Expected) Graduation certificate ※1
- Degree certificate ※1
- Academic transcript ※1
- Letter of recommendation
- TOEIC / TOEFL / IELTS official score record (if applicable) ※2
- Letter of approval for entrance exam (if applicable)
- Certificate of government-sponsored foreign student status (if applicable)

※1 Applicants with a master's degree will also need to submit their bachelor's degree certificate.

※2 Applicants whose native language is not English must submit an official score record of either TOEIC/TOEFL /IELTS. These tests must be taken in or after February 2016.

Contact

Tsukuba International Academy for Sport Studies (TIAS)

Admissions Office

Academic Service Office for the Art and Sport Science Area,
University of Tsukuba

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Email: tias-admin@un.tsukuba.ac.jp

Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00-17:00 (JST)

* Office is closed on Sat, Sun, and public holidays.

Other

- Admitted students with foreign nationality must obtain "student" status of residence in accordance with the "Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act".
- TIAS provides travel expenses and scholarship funds to students in Japan on a "student" status of residence.
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Expenses (as of April 2017)

Examination Fees: 30,000 JPY (applicants who have passed the document screening)

Admission Fees: 282,000 JPY (non-refundable)

Tuition:

- Oct. 2018 – Mar. 2019: 267,900 JPY
- Apr. 2019 – Sep. 2019: 267,900 JPY
- Oct. 2019 – Mar. 2020: 267,900 JPY

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*Please note that the benefits of TIAS Scholarship Programme 2018 will be similar to that 2017. The exact details will be available in April 2018.

Tsukuba International Academy for Sport Studies (TIAS) Scholarship Programme 2017

(for *International Students)

Tsukuba International Academy for Sport Studies (TIAS) offers scholarships to international students who are successfully accepted to enroll in the Master's Programme in Sport and Olympic Studies. The details are as follows.

*'International Students' are designated as those students who possess a 'College Student' status of residence according to the Immigration Law.

1. CONDITION OF SCHOLARSHIP

(1) Nationality:

Applicants must be foreign nationals. Those who have Japanese nationality at the time of application are not eligible.

(2) Visa Requirement:

Foreign applicants who wish to enroll in University of Tsukuba as an international student must acquire "College Student" (ryugaku, 留学) visas before enrolling. The visas should be issued at the Japanese legation, located in the country of applicants' nationality.

2. TERM OF SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship will be payable for 18 months from October 2017 through March 2019.

3. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

(1) Allowance:

International students will be provided monthly with 146,000yen. However, the amount of allowance will be subject to change depending upon the annual budget for each fiscal year. In principle, those who plan to receive scholarship from other organisation (including any governmental organisation of his/her own country) are not eligible for the TIAS scholarship.

(2) Travel Costs:

An economy class airfare to Narita or Haneda airports in Tokyo (from the airport nearest to home address) and return home (after successful completion of Master's programme within the 18 month period) shall be covered by TIAS. All other travel costs and expenses (travel from home to airport, airport taxes, airport usage fees, insurance fees, internal travel costs within Japan etc.) shall be borne by the student.

(3) School Fees:

International students are exempt from enrolment fees and tuition. They are responsible for paying his/her own accommodation costs.

4. NOTES

(1) Students should bring approximately US \$2,000 or the equivalent to cover immediate needs after arrival in Japan since the scholarship will not be paid immediately.

(2) Accommodations:

[1] Residence halls for students

University of Tsukuba has residence halls for students who wish to reside under certain conditions. However, because of the limited number of rooms, some of these facilities may not be able to accommodate all the students.

[2] Apartments.

Those who are not able to find accommodation in the aforementioned facilities may live in an apartment.

It is very difficult for international students with dependents to find appropriate housing in Japan. All international students are advised to arrive in Japan alone and secure housing before inviting his/her spouse and/or children to Japan.

Refer to the following link for more information about the accommodation. (Page 84)

[Enrollment Guide for International Students-General Information 2018-2019](#)

The contents written above are subject to change.

Related links:

[University of Tsukuba](http://www.tsukuba.ac.jp/english/) (http://www.tsukuba.ac.jp/english/)

[International Student Center](http://www.global.tsukuba.ac.jp/isc) (http://www.global.tsukuba.ac.jp/isc)