Research Internship in Summer

Seven weeks with world-leading researchers

UTSIP Kashiwa

The University of Tokyo Summer Internship Program in Kashiwa Established by the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences The University of Tokyo









The University of Tokyo has three main campuses: Hongo, Komaba, and Kashiwa. **The Graduate School of Frontier Sciences (GSFS)** is on the Kashiwa campus 30 km northeast of downtown Tokyo.

Kashiwa Campus



Hongo Campus

Location

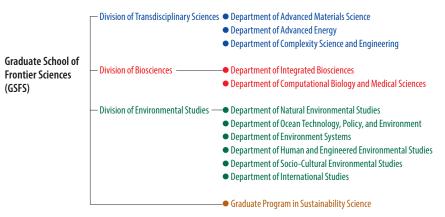


Narita

Komaba Campus

What's GSFS?

GSFS is a graduate school for master and doctoral students established in 1998 through the cooperation of all existing departments of The University of Tokyo. As of May 2024, GSFS has 280 faculty members and approximately 1,500 students.





Graduate School of Frontier Sciences



Urban Design Center Kashiwa

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Program Overview

UTSIP Kashiwa, University of Tokyo Summer Internship Program in Kashiwa, is an intensive seven-week summer program for non-Japanese undergraduates during the summer following their sophomore or junior years, especially for those who plan to apply to the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences at The University of Tokyo for graduate study.

The program aims to expose undergraduates to world-leading research activities in the field of natural science or social science. Some 25 internships are awarded through a competitive process that includes a scholarship and accommodations.

Participants are assigned to a laboratory in which he/she is interested in working, and will conduct a research project under the guidance of a faculty member or senior graduate students.

Program Dates:

Program A late May to mid July

Program B mid June to early August



Orientation

^{*} official dates will be posted online in December

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Eligibility

Applicants must meet all the following criteria:

- 1) must be enrolled in an undergraduate program at a college or university and should not have completed their bachelor's degree before the end of the UTSIP program A or B, in which they intend to participate.
- 2) are considering to matriculate to graduate level study at the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences of The University of Tokyo
- must commit to participating in all UTSIP activities including classes, laboratory work, and events organized by UTSIP

Program

Day 1	Orientation, Campus tour and Welcome Party
Days 2-3	Lecture by GSFS researcher, Japanese Class, Half-day excursion trip
Days 4-46	Laboratory research activities Field trip, cultural experience activity
Day 47	Final presentations

^{*} All programs are conducted in English.

Recent field trip destinations
 2022: Watarase Yusuichi
 2023: Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, Shinchi-Town
 2024: Hadano City, Shin-Tomei Expressway Construction Site



Final presentation

^{*} Participants are required to deliver an oral presentation regarding their research project on the last day of the program.

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Participation Fee

JPY 50,000 *Participation fee waiver is available.

Accommodations

Participants will be housed in accommodations provided by the program, located about a 15-minute walk from the Kashiwa campus or 10 minutes from the Kashiwanoha Campus station. The university's free shuttle bus runs between the campus and the station, taking approximately 5 minutes. Each room is air-conditioned; and is furnished with a desk, chair, bed, shower, and toilet.

Financial Aid

UTSIP provide accommodations and a scholarship.

Scholarship JPY 130,000*

*amount subject to change

A scholarship is guaranteed for selected participants.

Travel

Participants are expected to arrange and purchase their flight to arrive in Japan and check in the assigned accommodations one day before the program start date, and check out one day after the last official program day.



free shuttle bus









Around Kashiwanoha Campus Station



How to apply

Step 1

Visit the UTSIP website

https://www.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/education/for_undergraduate/



Step 2

Check the program details

https://www.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/education/for_undergraduate/utsip/

Step 3

Choose Program Period (Program A or B)

Program A late May to mid July Program B mid June to early August

Step 4

Choose a laboratory you want to join

Each program has a different list of host laboratories. Check the UTSIP website in late November for the options available the following summer.

Step 5

Complete online application

Submit the online application and upload the necessary documents. Make sure to complete the online application by the deadline in early January.

Activities







Kashiwa Campus Tour

Kashiwa Area Tour

Hongo Campus Tour





Field Trip (Fukushima)





Calligraphy

Tea Ceremony

Half-Day Trip (Asakusa)

Comments from past participants



SHARMA Adhar (India)

My participation in the UTSIP program at the University of Tokyo, under the mentorship of Prof. HONDA Riki, was profoundly enriching. It facilitated advanced research opportunities, broadened my understanding of Japanese culture, and fostered global peer connections. This program substantially enhanced my academic and professional competencies, equipping me for future scientific endeavors.



DÍAZ PEREIRA Ana Raquel (Mexico)

UTSIP gave me the priceless opportunity to gain research experience from renowned UTokyo professors. Immersing myself in Japanese culture and university life, exploring this beautiful country, and making amazing friendships is just a glimpse of what this program has to offer. So, give it a try!



ERDENEBILEG Munkhdelger (Mongolia)

I remember feeling delighted when I received an email about my acceptance to Prof. OHTANI Misato's lab. Despite having little experience in plant science, I learned a lot from my professor, tutors, and the many wonderful people I met. Participating in research, field trips, tea ceremonies, and making friends made my summer unforgettable and had a positive impact on my academic journey and future.



MUSTAFA Abdullah Mohamed (Egypt)

Getting accepted to the UTSIP program was my dream come true. The program is priceless opportunity for international students to experience Japanese culture and advanced academic internship at a prestigious institute, The University of Tokyo.

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