

## Tuition

In 2015, the admission fee was 282,000 JPY and annual tuition was 535,800 JPY. Students with financial difficulties may be exempted from all or part of the annual tuition if they demonstrate an excellent academic record.

URL: [www.global.tsukuba.ac.jp/finance/tuition-fees](http://www.global.tsukuba.ac.jp/finance/tuition-fees)

## Scholarships

### 1) Japanese Government(Monbukagakusho) Scholarships

There are several ways in which the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) scholarships can be applied. Most of them are available through the Japanese embassies or consulates-general in the applicant's home country.

### 2) Scholarships or Other assistance

Local governments, international associations and private foundations provide scholarships for outstanding international students.

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# DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN LIBRARY, INFORMATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

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## Graduate School of Library, Information and Media Studies

Information networks play an increasingly vital role in the circulation and use of knowledge and information, to which traditional books, materials, and academic literature have made a massive contribution. The importance of information in multimedia form continues to grow. While information networks have become similar to a huge library from which we can obtain knowledge and information, we must develop new library functions that allow us to home in precisely, from huge volumes of data, on the information we require. In response to this need, we conduct far-reaching and interdisciplinary research on information and media, the fundamental technology that underpins all academic fields.

The University of Tsukuba, a national research university, offers an academic and international environment for students. The Graduate School of Library, Information and Media Studies (GSLIMS) provide an interdisciplinary environment for the study of library, information and media sciences. GSLIMS is an internationally-recognized member of iSchools, a global consortium of research-oriented information schools, and is also a member of CISAP, a consortium of information schools in the Asia-Pacific area.

### LIS English Program for doctoral degree

This program is designed for international students who intend to pursue careers as information professionals in a global context. A special focus of this program is to provide students with the opportunity to study Japanese advanced information technologies and advanced knowledge and skills for the management and delivery of knowledge and information resources.

This is a three-year program starting in October, which can be completed in English. Students can obtain a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Library and Information Studies or a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Informatics.

### Admission

#### Applicants must meet at least one of the following criteria to apply.

- (A) Individuals who have a master's degree or who will have one by September 2017.
- (B) Individuals who have earned a degree from a university outside Japan equivalent to a master's degree as of September 2017.
- (C) Individuals who are 24 years of age or older as of September 2017, and whose qualification is recognized as equivalent to a master's degree as the result of the Eligibility Screening conducted by us.

#### Student applications will be assessed according to the following criteria.

- 1) Proficiency in English;
- 2) Basic knowledge; and
- 3) An interest in studying the topics offered by LIS.

### Application schedule

- Deadline for the application: December 2016
- Interview by video conference or at the UT: January 2017
- Announcement of the selection results: February 2017
- Enrollment period: October 1, 2017
- Program start date: October 1, 2017



### Degree requirements

- (A) Students must complete a minimum of 10 credits.
  - Minimum of 4 credits from lectures
  - Advanced Seminar in Information Media Studies Ia, Ib, IIa, IIb, IIIa, IIIb (Total 6 credits)
- (B) Students must give an interim presentation.
- (C) Students must submit a Doctoral dissertation written in English and pass the dissertation defense.

### Typical areas of research

- Legal Issues – Information, Intellectual Property, and Copyrights Information Policy
- Foundations of Knowledge and Information
- Library and Information Service Management
- Archival and Museum Studies
- Knowledge and Information Resource Management
- Knowledge and Information Management
- Information Retrieval, Seeking and Access
- Information Service Sciences
- Advanced Information Systems
- Information Media Technologies and Sciences
- Data Sciences and Engineering
- Human Computer Interaction and Human Factors in Information Systems
- Computing and Communication Technologies