

Tuition

In 2018, the admission fee is 282,000 JPY and annual tuition is 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. www.global.tsukuba.ac.jp/finance/tuition-fees

Scholarships

1) Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarships

The Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) scholarships can be applied. The scholarship information is available in the Japanese embassies or consulates-general in the applicant's home country.

2) Other Scholarships or Assistance Local governments, international associations and private foundations provide scholarships and assistance for outstanding students.

For more details, visit:

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DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN LIBRARY, INFORMATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

*Graduate School of Library,
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Information networks play an increasingly vital role in the circulation and use of knowledge and information, to which traditional books, materials, and academic literatures 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, we should develop new library functions that allow us to manage and utilize information resources. In response to this need, we conduct interdisciplinary research on information and media studies.

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) provides an interdisciplinary environment for the study of library, information and media sciences. GSLIMS is a 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.

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 utilization of knowledge and information resources.

This is a three-year program completed in English, starting in October. Students are granted a Doctor of Philosophy in Informatics or a Doctor of Philosophy in Library and Information Studies.

Admission

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

- (A) A Master's Degree holder, or who expects to earn a Master's Degree by the end of September 2019
- (B) A university graduate who holds the equivalent of a Master's Degree in a country other than Japan
- (C) Individuals who are 24 years of age or older by the end of September 2019, and whose qualification is recognized as equivalent to a master's degree, or a first professional degree (subject to our screening process)

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 related to library, information and media sciences.

Application schedule

- Deadline for the application: December 2018
- Interview by video conference or at Tsukuba Campus: January 2019
- Announcement of the selection results: February 2019
- Program start date: October 1, 2019



Degree requirements

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

Typical areas of research

- Legal Issues
- Library and Information Service Management
- Archival and Museum Studies
- Knowledge and Information Management
- Information Retrieval, Seeking and Access
- Information Service Sciences
- Information Media Technologies and Sciences
- Data Sciences and Engineering
- Human Computer Interaction and Human Factors in Information Systems
- Open Data
- MLA Collaboration
- Digital Library
- Digital Documents
- Social Computing
- Crowdsourced Data Management