

Tuition

In 2018, the admission fee was 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:

www.global.tsukuba.ac.jp/finance/scholarships



MASTER'S PROGRAM IN LIBRARY, INFORMATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

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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.

LIS English Program for master's 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 two-year program completed in English, starting in October. Students are granted a Master of Science in Library and Information Studies.

Admission

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

- (A) Having completed 16 years of formal education by the end of September 2019, and graduated from a 4-year university degree program, or expect to graduate by the end of September 2019.
- (B) Having completing less than 16 years of formal education by the end of September 2019, and graduated from a 3-year graduate-level university program which is (1) certificated by the government, or the certificate authority of the country, or (2) expect to graduate by the end of September 2019.
- (C) Possessing qualification that is proven (during the screening process) to be equivalent to (A) mentioned above.

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 30 credits.
- *Research Methods in Informatics (2 credits)*
 - *A minimum of 20 credits from lecture courses*
 - *Practical Seminar A, B (Total 4 credits)*
 - *Synthetic Seminar on MSc Research a, b (Total 4 credits)*
- (B) Students are required to give an interim presentation.
- (C) Students are required to submit a Master thesis written in English and pass the thesis defense.

A list of lectures (2 credits each)

- Legal Study on Internet Issues
- History of Libraries and Communication Media
- Information Seeking and Retrieval
- Requirements Analysis and Project Management
- Communication and Culture
- Natural Language Processing
- Speech and Audio Processing
- Selected Topics in Cognitive Science
- Digital Archiving
- Metadata
- Library and Information Services in Culturally Diverse Communities
- Management of Libraries
- Media Education
- Academic Libraries and Information Infrastructure
- Research Methods in Informatics
- Introduction to Informatics