

Requirements for Eligibility

Doctoral course

The applicant must satisfy all the eligibility requirements described in articles (1) to (3) below. At same time, applicants must also fulfill at least one of the eligibility requirements described in articles (4) to (9). Those who have graduated or who are expecting to graduate from undergraduate universities in Japan (including The University of Tokyo) are not eligible.

- (1) A foreign national who is not a “permanent resident”, “long term resident”, or “special permanent resident” of Japan.
- (2) A foreign national who does not currently (i.e. at the time of application) reside in Japan.
- (3) A person with the linguistic skill level required to take classes and receive research guidance in English.
- (4) Those who have been conferred or are expected to be conferred on or before September 20, 2018 a degree equivalent to a Master's or a professional degree abroad.
- (5) Those who have completed, or are expected to complete by September 20, 2018, a program in an educational institution in Japan that is designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, which provides program of a foreign graduate school within the school education system of a foreign country, and have conferred or are expected to be conferred a degree equivalent to a Master's or a professional degree.
- (6) Those who have completed or are expected to complete a program at the United Nations University and have been conferred a degree equivalent to that of a Master's degree or are expected to be conferred on or before September 20, 2018.
- (7) Those who have passed or are expected to pass by September 20, 2018 a screening for the fundamental ability for doctorate dissertation research as specified in Article 16-2 of the Standards for Establishment of Graduate Schools at a school abroad, an educational institution mentioned in eligibility (5) above, or the United Nations University, shall be recognized by this graduate school as having abilities at least equivalent to those who have a Master's degree.
- (8) Those who have completed at least 16 years of academic education overseas, and have been engaged in research at a university, research institute or other institution in abroad for at least 2 years, or are expected to have been engaged in research for at least 2 years by September 20, 2018, and shall be recognized by this graduate school as having abilities at least equivalent to those who have a Master's degree or a professional degree as a result of said research.

(9) Those who are 24 years or older as of September 20, 2018, whom this graduate school has recognized, through individual screening of entrance qualifications, as having abilities that are at least equivalent to a Master's degree or professional degree holder.

[NOTES]

(a) Japanese universities mentioned in Eligibilities (4) and (8) above are universities within the boundaries of Japan and as prescribed in Article 83 of the School Education Law.

(b) Eligibilities (4) and (8) above includes the case of having completed a correspondence program provided by a foreign school of said country while residing in Japan.

(c) Those who intend to apply under requirement (7) or (8) above shall submit designated documents for the screening of their entrance qualifications to the IME Graduate Program Office by September 8, 2017, as entrance qualifications are screened individually before submission of application. Please inquire at the IME Graduate Program Office in advance about requirements for application and document submission.

(d)

(i) Those covered under Eligibility (9) above include those who are not covered under Eligibilities (4) through (8) above shall be recognized by this graduate school through individual screening of entrance eligibility as having abilities at least equivalent to that of a Master's degree or a professional degree holder.

(ii) Those who intend to apply under requirement (9) above shall submit designated documents for the screening of their entrance qualifications to the IME Graduate Program Office by September 8, 2017, as entrance qualifications are screened individually before submission of application. Please inquire at the IME Graduate Program Office in advance about requirements for application and document submission.

(iii) Those who are recognized as having abilities at least equivalent to a Master's degree or professional degree holder through screening of qualifications will be permitted to apply and to take the entrance examination.

(e) Those who are expected to fall under any of Eligibilities (4) through (9) between Sept. 21 and Sept. 30, 2018, should contact the administrative department of the graduate school as their application may be accepted.

(f) Although the entry date is scheduled for September 21, 2018, it is subject to change.