

## Eligibility for Doctor Course (for 2025 application)

The applicant must satisfy all the eligibility requirements for the Doctor's Special English Program which are mentioned below in articles (1) and (2). At the same time, applicants must also fulfill at least one of the eligibility requirements described in articles (3) to (6). Those who have graduated from undergraduate universities in Japan (including The University of Tokyo), or who are enrolled in universities in Japan (including the non-regular students such as research students) are not eligible for these special English graduate programs. (Note 1)

(1) A person who neither has Japanese nationality nor resides in Japan during the period of time from the online application's start date until its deadline. (※ 1,2,3)

※1 Individuals with Japanese nationality and nationality from another country (or countries) will, if unable to provide proof of relinquishment of Japanese nationality by the time of arrival in Japan, be regarded as ineligible for the program.

※2 Although a person who resides in Japan (meaning a person who has a status of residence provided for by the "Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act (Law No. 319, 1951)" of Japan) at the time of application is not eligible, the following students may be allowed to apply as an exception. Foreign international students who have been temporarily enrolled in the University of Tokyo at the time of application through an exchange or short-term program with a partner school, by proving they are based out of another country, may be allowed to apply. In this event, they must submit documents proving that they are participating in a program implemented by the office of this university.

※3 Those who neither have Japanese nationality nor reside in Japan at the time of Application but have "permanent resident", "long-term resident", or "special permanent resident" residence status in Japan are in principle ineligible to apply. However, individuals who correspond to Eligibilities (4) through (6) below may be allowed to apply. For details, please contact the office of each program no later than 2 weeks prior to the deadline for online application via T-cens. Those who have graduated from universities with a bachelor's degree, a master's degree or a doctoral degree in Japan (including The University of Tokyo) are not eligible

(2) A person with the linguistic skill level required to take classes and receive research guidance in English.

- (3) A person who has been conferred, or is expected to be conferred by the day before the admission date in April or October 2025, a degree equivalent to a master's, doctoral or a professional degree in a country other than Japan. A person who has graduated or who is expecting to graduate from universities in Japan (including The University of Tokyo) with a bachelor's degree, master's degree or doctoral degree is not eligible. (Notes, 2 & 3)
- (4) A person who has passed or is expected to pass by the day before the admission date in April or October 2025, a screening for fundamental ability for doctorate dissertation research as specified in Article 16-2 of the Standards for Establishment of Graduate Schools at a school abroad, shall be recognized by this graduate school as having abilities at least equivalent to those who have a master's degree. (Notes 3 & 5)
- (5) A person who has completed at least 16 years of academic education in a country other than Japan, and has been engaged in research at a university, research institute or other institution in a country other than Japan for at 2 years, or is expected to have been engaged in research for at least 2 years by the date before the admission date in April or October 2025, 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. (Notes 3 & 5)
- (6) A person who is 24 years or older as of the day before the admission date in April or October, 2025, 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 a professional holder. (Notes 3, 4, 5 & 6)

Note 1 Japanese universities mentioned above are universities within the boundaries of Japan and are as prescribed in Article 83 of the School Education Law.

Note 2 Those who have obtained a master's, a professional degree, or its equivalent from other Japanese universities and who reside outside Japan at the time of application are eligible to apply to this program at the discretion of the department they are applying to. Even in this case, those who have graduated from undergraduate universities in Japan (including the University of Tokyo) are not eligible to apply.

Note 3 Although the admission date is scheduled to be on April 1 or October 1, 2025, it may be subject to change. The confirmed admission date will be put on our

web site later.

- Note 4 Those covered under Eligibility (6) above include those who are not covered under Eligibility (3) through (5) 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.
- Note 5 Those who wish to apply based on Eligibility (4), (5) or (6) must contact the office of each program no later than 2 weeks prior to the deadline for online application via T-cens, as the eligibility for application is confirmed individually.
- Note 6 Those who are recognized as having abilities that are at least equivalent to a master's degree or a professional degree holder through screening of qualifications will be permitted to apply and take the entrance examination.