

**TOKYO UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE
GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2024**

**Doctoral Program at the Cooperative Division of Veterinary Sciences
Special Program for International Students
April 2024 Entrance**

Program for human resource development for the veterinary graduate students in interdisciplinary fields of agriculture and engineering to promote international cooperation of infectious disease prevention

Admission Policy

Our university's basic philosophy is to promote education and research in agriculture, engineering and other related fields, to contribute to the prosperity and sustainability of humankind. Based on this philosophy, our division awards doctoral degrees of the veterinary medical sciences to the students who can comprehensively analyze and evaluate various problems in the fields of veterinary medicine in Japan and overseas, by developing clinical veterinary studies for various animal species that can be solved from the perspective of veterinary medicine, highly specialized veterinary health sciences centered on health and public health, or advanced and extensive specialized knowledge and research skills in basic animal medicine that serves as the foundation and supports research in these fields. For this purpose, we aim to educate graduate students to fulfill one of the following goals; (1) Advanced specialized knowledge and research capabilities in basic animal medicine for the foundation of veterinary medicine (2) Advanced specialized knowledge and research capabilities in animal health and public health (3) Advanced veterinary clinical expertise and research capabilities for farm and companion animals.

In line with the above objectives, we accept students from all around the world who aim to become research leaders with innovative ideas in the basic animal medicine or leaders in the fields of veterinary health science and clinical medicine.

In the Graduate School of Agriculture, Cooperative Division of Veterinary Sciences (Doctoral Program), we establish a special program (Program for human resource development for the veterinary graduate students in interdisciplinary fields of agriculture and engineering to promote international cooperation of infectious disease prevention) and recruit international students who aim to conduct research on veterinary medicine as follows.

I. Fields of study

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Pharmacology and Pathology
- Animal Hygiene
- Veterinary Public Health
- Farm Animal Medicine
- Companion Animal Medicine

II. Students recruited

Privately Financed International Students

A few students may receive financial support from private scholarship funds in Japan.

III. Eligibility and Requirement

Privately Financed Students

1. Applicants

Students can already be residing in Japan at the moment of application.

2. Nationality

Non-Japanese citizen.

3. Age

No restriction.

4. Academic background

Applicants must be a graduate of a Japanese university or have academic abilities equivalent to or greater than that of a Japanese university graduate. Eligible applicants other than those who have graduated from Japanese universities are defined as follows:

- 1) Applicants who have completed (or expected to complete) 18 years of school education outside Japan (limited to a final program in veterinary medicine, medicine, dentistry, or pharmaceutical sciences).
- 2) Applicants who have completed 5 years or more for bachelor degree course and have earned or will earn bachelor degree from university or equivalent school outside of Japan (limited to a final program in veterinary medicine, medicine, dentistry, or pharmaceutical sciences).

5. Health

Applicants should be in good mental and physical health.

6. Language skill

Applicants are required to fulfill at least one among the following English proficiencies.

Japanese

- 1) A score of qualification or examination test equal to or more than N2 equivalent of JAPANESE LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY TEST (JLPT) in English at the enrollment.
- 2) Applicants who completed the curriculum that satisfies entrance qualifications for Japanese graduate school doctoral course (previous term) or doctoral course (late term) in Japanese as the main language.
- 3) Applicants who are evaluated by TUAT that they have the above 1) Japanese proficiency or higher.

English

- 1) A score of qualification or examination test equal to or more than B2 equivalent of Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) in English at the enrollment.
- 2) Applicants who completed the curriculum that satisfies entrance qualifications for Japanese graduate school doctoral course (previous term) or doctoral course (late term) in English as the main language.
- 3) Applicants who are evaluated by TUAT that they have the above 1) English proficiency or higher.

7. Arrival in Japan

Applicants must arrive by the date specified by TUAT.

8. Other remarks

- 1) Admission shall be canceled if a candidate who expected to graduate failed his/her graduation until the end of March 2024.

Application Procedure

All the applicants must apply upon the acceptance from prospective supervisor after the discussion.

1) Submittal of application

All the documents should be sent by registered mail to the prospective supervisor before 4:00 PM November 30, 2023.

2) Documents to be submitted

- (1) 2024 academic year application form (use enclosed form)
- (2) Field of study and research plan (use enclosed form)

- (3) An abstract of either bachelor's or master's thesis, or equivalent paper in Japanese or English within 600 words.
- (4) Either a graduation certificate or a corresponding certificate issued by the applicant's school indicating that the applicant will be graduating from undergraduate or master's programs, which applicant lately graduated or graduating. A transcript of academic record and a degree certificate of undergraduate or master's programs that is issued by university authorities, which applicant lately graduated or graduating.
- (5) A certification that shows the applicant's birth, nationality, citizenship, or residence in the applicant's home country such as a transcription of domiciliary register or a proof of citizenship.
- (6) A letter of recommendation, by the dean or head of the applicant's affiliated institution. This letter is addressed to the president of Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology. Please use the envelope issued by your university and an official seal of your university.
- (7) Original certificate for language
(e.g. TOEFL, IELTS, JLPT etc.)
(If the applicant does not have a certificate to prove your language skills, please contact the prospective supervisor as soon as possible.)
- (8) A certificate of health (use enclosed form and this certificate should be obtained within the past 6 months before the submission.)
- (9) A photocopy of passport (If you have already your passport. The pages where the name and the photograph can be identified)
- (10) Your photograph of passport size (4.5cm by 3.5cm), showing a clear front-faced, up-from-bust, bare-headed picture, taken within 6 months of the application date. Name and nationality should be printed on the back side. Photograph should be attached to the designated place of the application form.

1) Application fee

- i) Application fee of JPY 30,000
(to be paid by using the prescribed payment form at a Japanese post office. Applicants outside Japan are advised to refer to their proposed supervisor for details)
- ii) The prescribed payment form for Entrance examination fee can be requested from Admissions Section of Fuchu Student Support Office. Please request it early beforehand to avoid being late. After payment, please submit a receipt (right side of the money transfer bill) with application documents.

4) Remarks

- i) All the documents should be typewritten in either English or Japanese and printed in A4 size with enclosed form. (In the case the document is not English or Japanese, please attach the translation in English or Japanese with it.)
- ii) The submitted documents will not be returned.
- iii) All documents should be correctly completed and submitted before the deadline. Documents submitted after the deadline and incomplete applications will not be considered.

- iv) The documents and form is possible to change.
- 5) Screening and Aim of this Special Program
- i) The screening will be conducted based on the submitted documents in “Application Procedure”.
 - ii) The successful applicants are selected on a faculty meeting of Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology and the notification of acceptance will be sent by the supervisor directly by the middle of December, 2023.
 - iii) The classes and instruction is conducted in English mainly and this program offers a Doctor of Philosophy (Veterinary) within 4 years. The enrollment identification is a full time doctor course student.
- 6) Cost and Insurance at the Enrollment
- i) Admission fee of JPY 282,000.
 - ii) Tuition fee for the spring semester (Apr. 2024 to Sep. 2024) is JPY 267,900 (JPY 535,800 per year) as of November 2023. Tuition fee and admission fee will be adjusted at any time without notice.
 - iii) School fees including application fee, admission fee and tuition fee will not be charged. (Only for international students with Japanese Government Scholarship)
 - iv) Students Education and Research Accident Insurance insures students against unforeseen accidents and injuries (but not illnesses) sustained in curricular (in class) activities, at school events, during club activities, or while they are in or on their way to or from a university facility. The expense is 3,300 Japanese Yen for 4years. Coverage for the prevention of contact infection is optional. The expense is 70 Japanese Yen for 4years.
 - v) Student Liability Insurance Program which will provide compensation in the event that the student injures another person or damages another person’s property during the regular course, internship, volunteer activities, off-campus research (surveys, tours, training), or extracurricular activities (such as overnight field trips and expeditions). The cost of this insurance is 7,200 Japanese Yen for 4 years. A member fee for the University Co-op of 5,000 yen is also required but will be reimbursed at the end of the Master’s program. (* The costs of the insurance fee and the member fee for the University Co-op are subject to change.)

References for All Applicants

- i) Upon enrollment before arrival in Japan, students are advised to obtain information about climate, customs, manners, and other cultural aspects of Japan. It is strongly suggested to learn Japanese language for ease of life in Japan.
- ii) Please refer to TUAT website (<http://web.tuat.ac.jp/~ieas/>) or another book about TUAT.
- iii) Use of personal information given on the application will be restricted by obeying the privacy policy of the University.
- iv) If you have any inquiry about these application requirements, please contact the address below by documents.

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