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### B. Student Exchange Programs

#### 1. Junior Year Program in English (JYPE)

*Approx. 30 students will be accepted*

JYPE is an exchange program that provides an opportunity for overseas undergraduate students to take natural science, engineering, and agricultural courses at Tohoku University, without having to attain the Japanese language proficiency that would be necessary to take the same courses in Japanese. All lectures are given in English and course credits will be given as per the standards of the equivalent courses offered in Japanese.

Further information: [https://www.cefjx.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/ASEP/JYPE/index.html](https://www.cefjx.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/ASEP/JYPE/index.html)

#### 2. International Program in Liberal Arts (IPLA)

*Approx. 30 students will be accepted*

IPLA is an exchange program that provides an opportunity for overseas undergraduate students to study a variety of liberal arts, economics, management, education and literature classes at Tohoku University, without having to attain the Japanese language proficiency that would be necessary to take the same courses in Japanese. All lectures are given in English and course credits will be given as per the standards of the equivalent courses offered in Japanese.

Only students from partner university which has university level agreement are able to join this program.

3. Cooperative Laboratory Study Program (COLABS)  *Approx. 20 students will be accepted

The main purpose of this program is to offer an opportunity for overseas graduate students to conduct research activities on natural science, medicine, dentistry, pharmaceutical science, engineering and agriculture in an assigned laboratory. Students will also take basic education courses taught in English at Tohoku University in order to increase their abilities and expand their knowledge into new scientific fields. Students will not have to attain the Japanese language proficiency that would be necessary to take the same courses in Japanese.

Further information: https://www.cefix.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/ASEP/COLABS/index.html

#General Program

4. Direct Enrollment Education Programs (DEEP)

In this program, students study or conduct research at a department assigned to them depending on their field of study/study plan. Only students from partner university which has university level agreement are able to join this program.

1. Special Auditing Student (Undergraduate or graduate students)

Students join the regular courses offered in each department or graduate school, where the lectures are mostly given in Japanese. Therefore they are required to provide evidence of proficiency in Japanese, such as the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) Level N1 or equivalent certification of Japanese proficiency issued by the student’s home university. The certificate(s) should be submitted at the time of application.

2. Special Research Student (Graduate students only)

Students engage in research activities under the supervision of an academic advisor at Tohoku University. They are not always required to provide evidence of proficiency in Japanese, especially in the field of natural science. If the student’s academic advisor agrees to supervise in English, the student will not be required to show proficiency in Japanese.

Classes, courses and syllabus are available in the website below. However, many of them are prepared only in Japanese. We are sorry.

http://www.tohoku.ac.jp/english/studentinfo/education/01/education0103/

Are students allowed to take cross-faculty modules? Yes, subject to approval from the host faculty.

Restricted Subjects for Exchange Students(Not open to exchange students) No restriction. However, almost all subjects except JYPE, IPLA and some international programs for degree seeking, are lectured in Japanese. So students are needed to have high Japanese proficiency, if they wish to attend.

When will the official transcripts be ready? Approximately two months after completion of the program.

C. Academic Calendar

<2015 Spring semester>

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<td>Classes end</td>
<td>Mid February, 2016</td>
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## D. Admission

| Number of students accepted | Depends on the MOU  
*The maximum number under the MOU is not always guaranteed, due to the capacity of each program, or unable to find the prospective academic advisor etc. |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Application Period         | For Fall Semester: Opens at January 10 and closes at March 10.  
For Spring Semester: Opens at October 1 and closes at December 1. (Not for JYPE) |
| Minimum GPA Requirement    | N/A  
Special Auditing Students in DEEP are required Japanese Language proficiency (JLPT N1 Level) |
| Minimum Language Requirement | JYPE/COLABS/IPLA requires high English proficiency, although we do not require specific score.  
Special Auditing Students in DEEP are required Japanese Language proficiency (JLPT N1 Level) |
| How to apply               | The home university selects and nominate the candidates on our online application website. The home university fills the online application form and uploads supporting documents.  
Application website: [http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/cms/index-e.cgi?df=ect03](http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/cms/index-e.cgi?df=ect03) |
| Application form and supporting documents | 1. Statement of purpose/Study plan (one A4 size page)  
2. Official Academic Transcript  
3. Letter of recommendation by student’s advising professor  
4. Certificate of Enrollment at student’s home university  
5. Certificate of Health  
6. Application for Certificate of Eligibility  
7. Photocopy of Passport (identification page with applicant’s photo and name)  
8. Application for JASSO scholarship (two forms), if wish  
(See the item “G. JASSO Scholarship”)  
9. A copy of a certificate of language proficiency (if any) |
| Application outcome (When and how will students be notified?) | 2015 Spring:  
By the last week of January. Official letter will be sent to applicants’ home university by e-mail.  
2015 Fall:  
By the second week of June. Official letter will be sent to applicants’ home university by e-mail. |

## E. Japanese Language Courses

| Japanese language courses | Special Japanese Language Program will be provided (No credit)  
Further information: [http://www.he.tohoku.ac.jp/SILE/LPK/index-e.html](http://www.he.tohoku.ac.jp/SILE/LPK/index-e.html)  
*JYPE and IPLA offer their own Japanese Language courses with credit. |
| Tuition and fees | Free of charge |

## F. Accommodation

| Dormitories for exchange students | Tohoku University International House, University House Sanjo and Urban Castle Kawauchi are available at reasonable rates (typically 25,000 JPY/month, including utilities). For further information, see: [http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/cms/index-e.cgi?pg=130527113858](http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/cms/index-e.cgi?pg=130527113858) |
| How to apply | Tohoku University will apply for a room on behalf of students. |
| Availability of dormitories during long vacations | Students can use their dorm rooms during long vacations. |
Private accommodation
Tohoku University can help students find apartments, if they do not wish to stay at the dormitories above. But private accommodation is usually expensive. (approx. 35,000 – 55,000 JPY/month, without utilities)

Home stay arrangement
N/A

G. JASSO Scholarship

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H. Visa Procedures

| Visa procedures | 1. Students are required to submit an application for the Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) along with the other required documents by the exchange program application deadline.  
2. Tohoku University will then apply to the Immigration Bureau for the CoE on behalf of students. It takes 2 months to get the certificate.  
3. Then, the CoE will be sent to the partner universities/students.  
4. Students must apply for the VISA using the CoE at the Japanese embassy/consular office in their country before departure for Japan. |

I. Insurance

| Required insurance | 1. Students are required to enroll in “National Health Insurance”. This insurance will cover 70% of the medical cost that you pay at the clinic or hospital. The fee is approximately 1,700 JPY/month. Foreign residents except temporary stay must enroll in this insurance.  
2. “Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research” is also mandatory. The fee is 1,000 JPY (for 1 year). Without it, students will not be able to participate in some of the practical training courses. It covers:  
- Cases where the insured suffers a physical injury as a result of sudden and unforeseen accidents of an external origin while engaged in educational and research activities at this university  
- Cases where the insured sustains a physical injury while commuting to school or in transit between school facilities.  
3. Students are also required to enroll in “Personal Liability Insurance for Students”. This insurance will cover the liability for bodily injury and/or property damage caused by the insured students to a third party in daily life. The cost is 830 JPY (for 1 semester) or 2,090 JPY (for 2 semesters) plus 5,000 JPY as a membership fee of UNIV. CO-OP (Refundable). Without it, students will not be able to participate in some of the practical training courses.  
In case of emergencies, we strongly recommend students purchase “Overseas Travelers' Personal Accident Insurance” for incoming exchange students before leaving their countries. |

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J. Others

| Pick-up service | There is no pick-up service. Students need to come to their university dormitory by themselves. Detailed information, including directions, is available in the welcome package. |

K. Useful Information

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