

2018 University of Tsukuba Undergraduate English Programs Admission Guidelines

1. Programs

(1) Undergraduate Program of International Social Studies

Academic Objectives	This course, in which students are able to earn academic credit through classes conducted in English, aims to develop students into global citizens who can respond to a range of global issues by analyzing political, economic, cultural, and other significant issues that arise in international societies, as well as in Japan, from multi-disciplinary perspectives.
Admission Policy	<p>① General Qualifications</p> <p>As globalization progresses, students who can demonstrate academic interest in political, economic, cultural and international issues and who possess a potential to analyze events from a variety of perspectives are sought for this program.</p> <p>② Student Evaluation and Selection</p> <p>The university will make a comprehensive evaluation of applicants based on submitted documents and individual interviews, proficiency in English, basic academic capability to acquire knowledge in his/her major fields of study, and his/her own unique perspectives on various problems in modern society, etc.</p>
Schools and Colleges	School of Social and International Studies (College of Social Sciences/ College of International Studies)
Students Accepted	From first year
Number of Students	Several students *A total of about 10 students will be accepted.
Degree	Bachelor of Arts in International Social Sciences

(2) Interdisciplinary Program of Life and Environmental Sciences

Academic Objectives	This course, in which students are able to earn academic credits through classes conducted only in English, aims to provide students with a firm foundation and specialized knowledge in the field of the life and environmental sciences. Students will become global citizens who can contribute to the resolution of global issues pertaining to the environment, energy, and food security from both regional and international perspectives.
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Admission Policy	<p>① General Qualifications</p> <p>Students with academic interests in various issues involving the life phenomena of living things and ecological systems, global environment, and sustainable usage of agro-biological resources and possess the applicable skills to analyze events from a variety of perspectives are sought for this program.</p> <p>② Student Evaluation and Selection</p> <p>The university will make a comprehensive evaluation of applicants based on each student's English proficiency and basic academic ability to acquire knowledge in their major fields of study. In addition, their own unique perspective and analytical ability to resolve various problems in life and environmental sciences, based on the submitted documents and individual interviews, will be considered.</p>
Schools and Colleges	<p>School of Life and Environmental Sciences</p> <p>(College of Biological Sciences/College of Agro-Biological Resource Sciences /College of Geoscience)</p>
Students Accepted	From first year
Number of Students	<p>Several students</p> <p>*A total of about 15 students will be accepted.</p>
Degree	Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Bioresource Science

2. Entrance Examination Schedule (Japan Time)

- (1) Online Registration : November 14, 2017 to December 25, 2017
- (2) Acceptance of Application Documents : Must be received by January 9, 2018
- (3) Announcement of Successful Applicants from the First Stage Screening : February 7, 2018
- (4) Payment Period for the Examination Fee for the Second Stage Screening : February 8, 2018 to February 22, 2018
- (5) Second Stage Screening (Individual Interviews) : February 27, 2018 to March 9, 2018
- (6) Announcement of Final Successful Applicants : March 23, 2018
- (7) Admission Procedures : April 6, 2018 to April 19, 2018
- (8) Enrollment Date : September 1, 2018
- (9) Entrance Ceremony and Orientation : Late September, 2018

3. Requirements for Application

(1) Applicant Eligibility

Persons who possess a nationality other than Japanese and fall under any one of categories ① through ⑤ are eligible.

- ① Persons who have completed or are expected to complete a 12-year curriculum of formal school education^{*1} in a country other than Japan by August 31, 2018.
- ② Persons who have completed or are expected to complete a 12-year curriculum in Japan at an international school designated by the Minister of MEXT^{*2} by August 31, 2018, and who will reach 18 years of age by August 31, 2018.
- ③ Persons who hold or are expected to hold an International Baccalaureate, *Abitur* (Germany), *Baccalauréat* (France), or GCE A-Level (United Kingdom)^{*3} by August 31, 2018, and who will reach 18 years of age by August 31, 2018.
- ④ Persons who have completed or are expected to complete a 12-year curriculum at a school accredited by WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges), CIS (Council of International Schools), or ACIS (Association of Christian Schools International) by August 31, 2018, and who will reach 18 years of age by August 31, 2018.
- ⑤ Other^{*4}

*1 Persons from an international school might not be eligible. Please contact the “6. Contact Desk” by October 31, 2017.

*2 See the MEXT website below.

http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/shikaku/07111314/003.htm

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*3 For the GCE A-Level, applicants must complete the subjects and assessments that have been set by the university. For details, please refer to the “Application Guidelines for the 2018 University of Tsukuba Undergraduate English Programs” which will be available in mid-October 2017.

*4 We will check or screen your applicant eligibility individually if you do not fall under any one of categories ① through ④. For inquiries, please contact the “6. Contact Desk” by October 31, 2017.

(2) Conditions for Application

Conditions for application include a recommendation by the school principal or similar person, and taking TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, or an equivalent official English test. The guidelines for required English level are as follows:

TOEFL (iBT): 61 or higher

TOEIC (Listening & Reading): 600 or higher

IELTS (Academic): 5.0 or higher

Applicants whose language of instruction at the high school (upper secondary) level was English for three years are not required to submit TOEFL, TOEIC, or IELTS scores, but recommended.

4. Selection Method

Admission screening procedures consist of two selection stages. In the first stage, applicants will be screened through a comprehensive evaluation of their submitted documents. If successful, they will proceed to the second stage where individual interviews will determine the final selection of applicants.

5. Other

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6. Contact Desk

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* Please refrain from making inquiries by phone.