

## Certificate of Eligibility (COE) and Visa Procedures for International Research Students Residing Abroad

Upon application for a “Student” visa, you will be required to obtain the Certificate of Eligibility (COE). The COE Desk, Division of the Student Exchange, University of Tsukuba files your application to the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau for the COE on your behalf and sends it to you when it is issued.

### Procedures for COE

Send the “APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY” and all the required documents to the Division of Student Exchange, University of Tsukuba, **together with other application documents for research students.**

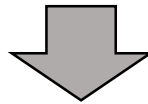


For details, refer to “Application Guide for Research Student”  
8) Visa (Certificate of Eligibility)-To successful applicants

The COE Desk files your application to Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau.



The Desk receives your COE from Immigration Bureau, and sends it to you by post.



### Procedures for VISA

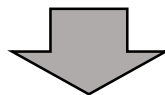
Apply for the “Student” visa at the Embassy or Consulate General of Japan in your country.

\*Required documents: COE, passport, Certificate of Granting Permission for Admission  
Formalities by the university, etc.

Confirm with the Japanese Embassy or Consulate General about the detail.

Usually it takes about 5 working days to issue the visa after submitting the application.

**\*Depending on the country, it might take more time to acquire a visa.**



### Entry into Japan

Note that the validity of the Certificate is three (3) months from the date of issuance in general. However due to the effects of the coronavirus disease, the validity date of the Certificate of Eligibility has been significantly extended. For details, please refer to the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) website.

[http://www.moj.go.jp/nyuukokukanri/kouhou/nyuukokukanri01\\_00155.html](http://www.moj.go.jp/nyuukokukanri/kouhou/nyuukokukanri01_00155.html)