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Overview of support programs

1 A Stable Research Post

Employment Stability Support for Young Researchers

Summary
A program to promote and support efforts toward employment stability and human resource development for excellent young researchers.

Target
For researchers forty years of age and younger with a doctoral degree, or evaluated by the Dean or Director as having abilities equivalent to a doctorate

Support details
Employment stability promotion fund: three million yen annually per researcher for three years

Note: This program supports departments that employ eligible researchers—i.e., project faculty members or faculty members on an annual salary—for a ten-year term within the support period (as a rule) or for an unspecified term.

Research Fellowship for Young Scientists (DC1, DC2, PD, SPD, RPD) [JSPS]

Summary
1) DC1, DC2, PD, SPD
This program is designed to foster and secure excellent researchers. These fellowships offer the fellows an opportunity to focus on a freely chosen research topic based on their own innovative ideas. Funding is provided to encourage and support doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers under JSPS’s Research Fellowships for Young Scientists.

2) RPD
This program is designed to support excellent young researchers to return smoothly to the laboratory after they put their research on hold due to childbirth and infant nursing, as a part of the Research Fellowship for Young Scientists.

Leading Initiative for Excellent Young Researchers (LEADER) [MEXT]

Summary
This program is designed to show new career paths to young researchers who can succeed in the national-wide research institutions run by industry, academia and government, while creating a stable and independent position for young researchers that is conducive to tackling new areas of research.

2 A Chance to Deepen Your Research

Start-up Support Program for Young Researchers
(The University of Tokyo Excellent Young Researcher)

Summary
The program supports the independence of excellent young researchers.

Target
For researchers 40 years of age and younger (45 years of age and under for professors and those in the humanities) with doctoral degrees (or evaluated by the Dean or Director as having abilities equivalent to a doctorate) who conduct research in an independent research environment and spend half or more of the working time on their research activities and have been in their current post for three years or less

Support details
Start-up fund: three million yen annually for two years (can be carried over for up to five years)
World-leading Innovative Graduate Study Program

Summary
A Master’s-Doctoral (or Bachelor-Master’s-Doctoral) degree study program created through collaboration among graduate schools, etc., in order to foster doctoral-level researchers who contribute their high-level research ability and expertise to human society. The program seeks outstanding talent from home and abroad by utilizing the University of Tokyo’s attractive world leading research system and fosters superior doctoral-level researchers (highly-developed “knowledge professionals”) through cutting-edge educational and research guidance, by taking advantage of the characteristics of the respective graduate schools.

Target
Graduate students of our university

Support details
Education and research support expenses, etc.

Sabbaticals

Summary
These long-term in-service training allow researchers to dedicate themselves to self-directed research and study aimed at enhancing skills related to their field of expertise.

Target
Researchers who have worked continuously at our university for seven years or more are eligible for these sabbaticals. Seven years must pass after the completion of a sabbatical before another one can be taken.

Support details
The length of a sabbatical: from six months up to one year

Note: Each department may establish its own requirements for the use of these sabbaticals.

Shared Research Equipment Platform

Summary
All departments cooperate to maintain this platform, which collects information about shareable research equipment that our university possesses and provides that information in a centralized location. The goal is to optimize the use of university resources as well as support young researchers. In addition to equipment purchased for shared use, various other types of devices are registered, including those at certain laboratories and expensive machinery difficult for a single lab to purchase. There are 218 types of equipment registered—including 123 that can be used by those outside of our university—and it is possible to efficiently search for research equipment to fit a certain research purpose in six categories. Some research equipment can also be reserved through this platform.

Target
Faculty and staff members, graduate students and undergraduate students of our university

Support details
Providing information on a wide range of university research equipment that can be shared

Program for Leading Graduate Schools [MEXT/JSPS]

Summary
This program promotes the creation of graduate schools appropriate for top educational institutions. First-rate faculty and students from Japan and abroad participate with the cooperation of industry, academia and government. The program supports a serious overhaul of graduate school education, including formulating and developing a world-class doctoral program that goes beyond the scope of specialization and integrates master’s and doctoral programs.

WISE Program (Doctoral Program for World-leading Innovative& Smart Education) [MEXT/JSPS]

Summary
This program promotes the development of excellent doctoral-level researchers who will lead respective sectors, and form hubs for continuously enhancing the development and exchange of human resources, and creation of joint research through the formulation and implementation of a degree program offering a world-leading standard of education and research. In this program, the universities are requested to cooperate with top domestic and international universities and outside agencies such as private companies, and use external funds from companies and other funds from in and out of our university. Our university incorporates and implements this program into the World-leading Innovative Graduate Study Program.
3 Becoming Active on the Global Stage

UTokyo Global Activity Support Program for Young Researchers

**Summary**
This program supports the overseas travels of young researchers. Besides support for dispatched personnel (I), it gives the dispatching department financial support to maintain its working environment (II). Our aim is to form a global base for knowledge collaboration as a Designated National University Corporation. This means we must coordinate with existing programs such as the Sabbaticals for Independent Research, as well as cultivating and promoting young researchers actively taking roles on the global stage.

**Target**
Faculty members at our university (excluding fixed-term project faculty members). Must be within 15 years of earning a degree (or for those who do not possess a degree, within 15 years of becoming a faculty member).

**Support details**
1) Young Researcher International Dispatch Program  Term: one month or less; fund provided: (I) only
2) Young Researcher International Study Program  Term: one month or more and one year or less; funds provided: (I) and (II)
3) Young Researcher International Base Formation Program  Term: one to two years; funds provided: (I) only, (II) only, or (I) and (II) combined

Overseas Challenge Program for Young Researchers [JSPS]

**Summary**
This program gives doctoral students an opportunity to go overseas to challenge themselves in a new research environment with providing expenses for their stay, one in which they engage in joint research with researchers in other countries. In this way, the program contributes to the fostering of young researchers who possess abundant international experience and can be expected to play leading roles in the wider academic fields.

Overseas Research Fellowships [JSPS]

**Summary**
To foster highly capable researchers with wide international perspectives, this fellowship gives excellent young Japanese researchers an opportunity to carry out long-term research at an overseas university or research institution.

Program for Boosting International Research Competitiveness [JSPS]

**Summary**
A new program that started in 2019 with the goal of improving Japan’s overall research capabilities. It supports excellent young researchers who form crucial networks with renowned researchers and engage in innovative research at top-level universities and research institutes that are a core part of the international educational community.

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4 Acquiring Research Funds

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Strategic Basic Research Programs [JST/AMED]

**Summary**
This program considers social and economic needs to create fixed-term research projects that transcend organizational borders. It promotes research and development into new technologies that will help solve issues important to our country.

Summary
These programs promote health, labor and welfare research to ensure the scientific advance of administrative measures and improve technological standards related to fields such as healthcare, welfare, life hygiene, and safety and health in the workplace.

5 Improving Research and Educational Abilities

Researcher Development Support Program

Summary
A program designed to increase faculty diversity and establish an environment where all researchers can demonstrate their talents and abilities.

1) Startup Research Financial Support for Female Faculty Members
We underwrite expenses so that female faculty members can establish the proper environment for initiating independent research activities.

2) Financial Support for Female Faculty Members to Improve Their Research Skills
To improve the research skills of female faculty members, we pay the cost of participating in academic conferences to present their research results and related travel expenses.

3) Financial Support for Restarting Research
We pay the costs associated with reestablishing a research environment for faculty members who had to put their research activities on hold due to life events (childbirth, childrearing, nursing care, etc.).

Target
1) Female faculty members newly hired by our university
2) Female faculty members (excluding professors) who will participate (or have participated) in academic conferences to present research results
3) Faculty members of our university who had to stop their research activities for roughly three months or longer due to a life event (for both male and female faculty)

Support details
1) Up to one million yen within the support period established
2) For international travel: as a rule, up to 400,000 yen per trip; for domestic travel: in general, up to 150,000 yen per trip
3) Up to one million yen within the support period established
Note: The level of support may change on an annual basis due to budgetary reasons.

Visiting Lecture Class

Summary
A visiting lecturer class for various databases and tools—such as document retrieval (investigation of prior research) and reference management (organization of bibliographic information and creating a list of reference documents)—is held as a class or seminar. It may be tailored according to the class content (e.g., combining databases specific to the field and document management tools, searching for documents to be used in the class, etc.).

Target
Faculty members of our university

Training Course on Databases Useful for Writing Research Papers

Summary
A training about various databases and tools useful for writing research papers—such as document retrieval (investigation of prior research) and reference management (organization of bibliographic information and creating a list of reference documents)—is held as needed. Lecturers from the respective tool’s vender may be called in to explain about tools used in specialized fields. The document databases that can be used in our university are posted on the GACoS website.

Target
Faculty and staff members, graduate students and undergraduate students of our university
Workshops on Writing Research Papers in English

Summary
Researchers and graduate students of our university can attend regular university-wide workshops on writing research papers in English. These workshops are designed to motivate the participants to write more scientific papers and give them the skills needed to publish their research results. The workshops are meant to expand opportunities to publish in international journals and raise our university’s global presence.

Target
Faculty and staff members and graduate students of our university.

Programs Related to Faculty Development

Summary
1) University of Tokyo Future Faculty Program (UTokyo FFP)
This practical and systematic program is designed to improve the educational capabilities that university faculty members need. During the program’s eight sessions, participants explore topics such as active learning methods and class design. An online class, Interactive Teaching, has the same content.

2) Faculty Luncheons
These luncheons offer an opportunity to casually exchange opinions about education-related topics over a meal.

3) Workshop for Writing Applications for the Research Fellowship for Young Scientists;
Workshop for Writing Applications for Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research
Two workshops that show participants how to write applications to ask for research funding. Participants learn how to write their research plans in a logical and understandable manner. These workshops are held around three times per year depending on the application periods.

4) Professional and Global Educators’ (PAGE) Community
This program allows participants to acquire knowledge applicable to teaching in English and provides an opportunity to practice the skills they acquire. It combines online learning and workshops, and one major goal is to create a community where participants can constantly learn from each other.

5) Dive! Workshop Project for New Faculty Members
This program was created to effectively promote research activities, enhance research structure and develop the participants’ ability to view academic fields comprehensively. It allows specially selected, distinguished graduate students to participate in research projects our university carries out that require creativity and advanced expertise.

Target
1) to 4) Graduate students, postdoctoral researchers, and young faculty and staff members of our university
5) Faculty members hired by our university within the past five years

Excellent RAs (Research Assistants)

Summary
This program was created to effectively promote research activities, enhance research structure and develop the participants’ ability to view academic fields comprehensively. It allows specially selected, distinguished graduate students to participate in research projects our university carries out that require creativity and advanced expertise.

Target
Students in our university’s master’s degree, doctoral degree or professional degree programs who are enrolled or participate in the following:
- Graduate students enrolled in the World-leading Innovative & Smart Education (WISE) Program
- Graduate students enrolled in the World-leading INnovative Graduate Study Program
- Graduate students participating in the Quantum Leap Flagship Program (Q-LEAP)

Support details
Depending on the content of the research work commissioned, the participant will receive financial support approved by the evaluation committee or other equivalent organization of each program, the department concerned, or the center which is mainly externally funded (on a monthly basis, in 10,000-yen units).
RAs (Research Assistants)

Summary: This program was created to effectively promote research activities, enhance research structure and foster the research capabilities of young researchers. It allows outstanding graduate students to participate in research projects carried out by our university.

Target: Doctoral degree students at our university, and doctoral degree students studying veterinary science, medical science or pharmaceutical science

Support details: Depending on the content of the research work commissioned, the participant will receive financial support approved by the evaluation committee of the department concerned or the like (from 10,000 to 200,000 yen a month)

Teaching Assistants (TA)

Summary: The main purposes of the TA system are to provide training opportunities for future leaders in education and research by being in a role of educational assistants (advising to students and supporting their experiments, practical courses) supervised by faculty and improving university education. TA students are given appropriate compensation which contribute towards improving their research environment.

Target: Graduate students of our university

Support details: Honorarium is provided for their assistance in educational activities.

6 Disseminating Research Results to Society

Academic Research Publication Support System

Summary: This system promotes the dissemination of outstanding academic research from our university and contributes to the career advancement of excellent young researchers by publishing especially outstanding academic results. The publications this system has supported have received high praise from outside of our university, and many have received awards. Application guidelines are distributed to each department at the beginning of the academic year.

Target: 1) Researchers who have completed a doctoral program of our university within six years since the first day of the academic year following the year when the doctoral degree was awarded at the time they apply

2) Researchers enrolled in a doctoral program at our university for more than a prescribed period of study who completed the curriculum but left the school before obtaining a doctoral degree, and were then awarded a doctoral degree at our university. In addition, it must be within six years since the first day of the academic year following the year when the doctoral degree was awarded at the time they apply.

3) Researchers hired as research associates at our university who did not complete a doctoral program but who wrote a research associate dissertation considered equivalent to a doctoral dissertation, within six years since the first day of the academic year following the year when said dissertation was submitted at the time they apply.

Support details: A subsidy under one million yen per work for the publication of selected doctoral dissertations, research associate dissertations, or publications based on these dissertations.
Introduction of Publications, and International Dissemination

**Summary**
Information on the publications (books) that demonstrate excellence and diversity of UTokyo Humanities and Social Sciences faculty members is aggregated on the basis of recommendations of the academic organizations to which those members belong, and is published on the website "UTokyo BiblioPlaza - Books written by UTokyo professors", which is neither a book quote prepared by a publisher as an advertisement nor a book review by others. This is an original way to disseminate information through authors commenting on the excellence and academic and/or social significance of their own work. There is also an English website, and this focuses on the international dissemination of information.

**Target**
Publications that demonstrate excellence and diversity of research and education in the fields of Humanities and Social Sciences and which represent the present University of Tokyo.

**Support details**
The website features the book description in both Japanese and English written by each authors.

**Provision of Discount Information on Article Processing Charge**

**Summary**
Our university maintains academic journals and databases in a stable and regular manner. Some publishers offer a discount on APC (Article Processing Charge) for open access journals as a part of our institutional subscription, so we provide discount information on APC.

**Target**
Faculty and staff members, graduate students, and undergraduate students at our university.

**Support details**
Discount requirements and other information that differ by publisher are provided on the University of Tokyo library website.

**UTokyo Repository**

**Summary**
This online archive collects and stores various intellectual output generated at the University of Tokyo in an electronic format with the goal of transmitting them to the world. In addition to academic papers, various academic contents such as research reports and books can be registered for open access. The repository can also be used to make research bulletins of respective graduate schools into electronic journals and make doctoral dissertations available online based on degree regulations.

**Target**
Faculty and staff members, graduate students, and undergraduate students of our university.

**Support details**
Support for the metadata creation, registration and publication of open access content, and consultation about publication permissions.

**Support Related to Inventions and Patents**

**Summary**
Training sessions are offered to raise knowledge among members of our university about intellectual property with the goal of increasing the number of high-quality patents filed solely by our university.

1) Intellectual Property Training Session
   This training session provides basic knowledge regarding intellectual property rights—such as patent rights, copyrights, trademarks and design rights—to facilitate university research and the smooth conclusion of research agreements.

2) Seminar for patent system and procedure for notification of invention
   This seminar provides an overview of the patent system and procedures in our university regarding patent applications, starting with the submission of the notification form of inventions. It is taught in a simple manner to build a structure of contributing to society through our academic results and spread the awareness of the rules.

**Support details**
For both 1) and 2): Faculty and staff members at our university (Language: Japanese only)
Entrepreneurship and University-Based Startup Support

**Summary**
We provide various types of support for starting a business to commercialize university’s research and education results.

**Target**
Faculty and staff members, graduate students, and undergraduate students at our university

**Support details**
1) Consultation about starting and managing a business
2) Various entrepreneurship education and support for various student projects

UTokyo Commercialization Promotion Subsidy Program (UTokyo GAP Fund Program)

**Summary**
With the goal of promoting the commercialization of our university’s research results, this program provides consultation and subsidies for expenses to create prototypes to the projects that aim to verify or improve the practicality of the research results (proof of concept).

**Target**
Faculty and staff members at our university who meet the qualifications for Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research

**Support details**
Support such as subsidies for necessary expenses and consultation

*Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (Grant-in-Aid for Publication of Scientific Research Results) [JSPS] is included in the list on p. 14.
Maintaining an Environment Focused on Research and Education

Work-Life Balance Support Program

Summary
1) Support for Deploying Researcher Support Staff
   We provide support that includes covering hiring expenses for researcher support staff (Fixed-term Part-time (Project) Staff, TAs, RAs, etc.) for faculty members who have difficulty securing research time due to the following reasons: (1) childrearing and nursing care; (2) pre- and post-childbirth leave, childcare leave and nursing care leave; and (3) social contribution activities (such as a female researcher appointed as a committee member in a research council due to a research field having a small number of women).

2) Babysitter Childcare Support Program
   We issue discount tickets for using babysitting services.

Target
1) (1) Faculty members at our university who are raising a pre-elementary schoolchild or the main caregiver of a family member certified as needing nursing care, or who have an equivalent reason to the above; (2) faculty members of our university who will be taking pre- and post-childbirth leave, childcare leave, or nursing care leave, and will require assistance during the leave period; (3) female faculty members at our university (professors or associate professors) who concurrently have duties other than educational and research duties at the university (such as serving as a member of a council), and have difficulty securing research time

2) Faculty and staff members at our university

Support details
1) (1) Up to 300,000 yen per support period (half a term); (2) 50,000 yen/number of months in the support period (upper limit); (3) Up to 180,000 yen per support period (half a term)
2) A discount of 2,200 yen from the daily usage fee per household

Note: The level of support may change annually based on budgetary reasons.

Childcare Support Program

Summary
The university manages four nursery schools: Hongo Keyaki, Shirokane Himawari, Komaba Mukunoki and Kashiwa Donguri, including a new nursery school established on the Hongo Campus in 2018 through a company-led childcare business.

Target
Faculty and staff members, graduate students, undergraduate students, international students, research students, and members of the JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientists at our university

Support details
We provide childcare services that fit the needs of our researchers. Through this program, for example, we are able to proactively accept students whose children would have a low admission priority at ordinary childcare facilities, researchers and students that will return to work or school during the academic year, and those who must conduct experiments and investigations until late at night.
Female Faculty Mentor Support

**Summary**
To allay the worries and concerns of female faculty taking up a post in the university and allow them to focus on education and research activities, this system provides an opportunity to consult with faculty members who have experience.

**Target**
Young and newly appointed female faculty members at our university

The University of Tokyo Grants for PhD Research

**Summary**
This program commissions academic research operations to encourage the academic efforts of excellent doctoral program graduate students and improve the quality of academic research throughout the university.

**Target**
Doctoral program graduate students at our university (excluding government-sponsored international students and members of the JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientists)

**Support details**
Support of up to 300,000 yen per year

International Hall of Residence

**Summary**
In addition to providing a safe and secure study environment and housing facilities, the international hall of residence is meant to promote mutual exchanges through communal living. Residence fees may also be reduced depending on the student’s economic situation.

**Target**
Graduate students and third- and fourth-year undergraduate students at our university

**Support details**
The monthly fee of 36,300 yen is reduced to 20,000 yen during the permitted period for residence

Exemptions / Deferred Payment of Admission Fee

**Summary**
1) This system allows student who have difficulties in paying admission fees due to economic reasons and who are recognized as having outstanding academic capabilities to exempt the admission fee after screening.
2) This system allows student who have difficulties in paying admission fees by the due date because of economic reasons and who are recognized as having outstanding academic capabilities to defer the payment after screening.

**Target**
Graduate students only (excluding research students, auditing students, specially registered students)

Optics and Advanced Laser Science by Innovative Funds for Students Scholarship

**Summary**
Based on the University of Tokyo Optics and Advanced Laser Science by Innovative Funds that companies in the optical sciences field sponsor, scholarships are awarded to particularly outstanding graduate students engaged in research in the field of advanced optical sciences. In addition to supporting those academic research efforts, it helps develop international human resources.

**Target**
Particularly outstanding students in the second year of the master’s program at our university who require financial aid (excluding those receiving a University of Tokyo fellowship)

**Support details**
1,800,000 yen per year
Scholarship for Female Students

**Summary**
A scholarship funded by a donation from one of our university's female graduates. It is awarded to outstanding Japanese female students enrolled in our graduate schools who require financial aid.

**Target**
Particularly outstanding female students in the first year of a master's program in the Graduate School of Engineering, Graduate School of Science or Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences who require financial aid (excluding those receiving benefit-type scholarships from a public interest corporation or the like)

**Support details**
600,000 yen per year

The University of Tokyo Fellowship: Special Scholarship Program for International Students

**Summary**
This program is designed to support students who are privately-funded to assist their academic pursuits at the University by providing a research grant.

**Target**
Of privately-funded international students who go to graduate school, those who are particularly outstanding (A tuition waiver cannot be used this program at the same time.)

**Support details**
Recipients will receive a monthly research grant of 200,000 yen or 150,000 yen during the standard period of their program.

JASSO Scholarship Programs [JASSO]

**Summary**
Based on economic and social conditions, loans are provided for outstanding students who have difficulty studying due to financial reasons, so that those students can learn without focusing on funding their education.

Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research [JSPS]

Summary

Competitive funds that are intended to promote development of scientific research (based on original ideas of researchers), encompassing basic to applied researches in all fields ranging from humanities and social sciences to natural sciences.

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