

AY 2026 Application Guidelines for The University of Tokyo Fellowship (including the KOGA Shinsuke Scholarship)

1. Purpose

Research grant-in-aid (herein after “grant-in-aid”) will be awarded to outstanding, self-financed international students to focus on their academic research obtaining the degree. The University of Tokyo (herein after “UTokyo”) fellowship also aims to promote the enrolment of outstanding international students.

2. Definition of Self-financed Overseas Students

“Self-financed Overseas Student” is defined in this guideline as an overseas student with Status of Residence as ‘Student’ as specified in the Immigration Control and Refugees Recognition Act [Government Ordinance No. 319, October 4, 1951] Appended Table 1-(4). The students receiving Foreign Students Scholarships as specified in Implementation Guidelines for International Scholarship Scheme (March 31, 1954) and students dispatched by foreign governments are not eligible.

3. Eligibility

Self-financed international students with outstanding performance to be admitted to the graduate schools at UTokyo are eligible. Applicants for exemption of tuition fee will not be excluded. However, if accepted for the grant-in-aid, it is expected to withdraw the application for exemption of tuition fee. It is also not possible to receive the other scholarships designated by the Executive Vice President.

4. Applications

Submit the documents by the specified period to the relevant section of one’s affiliated (proposed) Graduate School.

5. Number of Recipients

Confirmed annually.

If applicants who hold American or British citizenship and who are enrolling (or will be enrolled) in the graduate school master's or doctoral program, there are possibilities of being the recipient of KOGA Shinsuke Scholarship.

6. Submission Date of the Documents

The specified period designated by the relevant section of one’s affiliated (proposed) Graduate School.

7. Grant-in-Aid

200,000 yen per month

8. Period of Payment

Until the end of the standard program duration stated in Article 2 of UTokyo Rules on Graduate School. (For Research Students, the period of payment is the same as the period of research (maximum 1 year)).

9. Payment of Grants-in-Aid

Having confirmed enrollment of the student, the grant-in-aid will be paid directly into the bank account of the recipient once every three months.

10. Cessation and Resumption of Grant-in-Aid

If taking a leave-of-absence or is due to be absent for one month or more, the grant-in-aid will be suspended. Once the reason for the cessation has ended, the payment of the grant-in-aid will be resumed.

11. Termination of Grant-in-Aid

Payment of the grant-in-aid will be terminated if any one of the following points apply to the

recipient. In that case, it may be necessary to refund all or part of grant-in-aid already paid to UTokyo.

- (1) when withdrawal from the University or transfers to another university
- (2) when being suspended from the university
- (3) when failing to report the outcome of the research at the end of one's academic year
- (4) when there are facts that are not suitable as a recipient, such as poor academic performance etc.

12. Refusal of the Grant-in-Aid

If the recipient would like to decline the grant-in-aid, notify the relevant section of one's affiliated Graduate School as soon as possible.

13. Notification of Changes

If any important information such as the recipient's address, name, contact details etc. has been changed or the recipient withdraws, takes leave-of-absence or is absent for one month or more, notify the relevant section of one's affiliated Graduate School as soon as possible.

14. Submission of Reports

The recipient must submit a research progress report, an academic transcript and an advisor's assessment to the relevant section of one's affiliated Graduate School at the end of one's academic year. Payment of the grant-in-aid will be terminated when it is judged that the recipient has been demonstrating poor academic performance.

15. Contact Office

If you the applicants have any inquiries regarding UTokyo fellowship, contact the relevant section of one's affiliated (proposed) Graduate School.

KOGA Shinsuke Scholarship :

The beneficiary of this scholarship, Shinsuke Koga, has been predominantly active globally in the financial world following his graduation from the University of Tokyo. Having experienced studying abroad himself at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he obtained his Master of Business Administration, Mr. Koga wishes to provide financial support to graduate students coming to the University of Tokyo from the United States and the United Kingdom by establishing the Koga Shinsuke Scholarship.

This scholarship follows "The University of Tokyo Fellowship Implementation Guidelines on Special Scholarships for International Students," but is aimed at providing support to international students who hold American or British citizenships.