

UTokyo GUC 2023 Application Guidelines

【Program Overview】

The University of Tokyo's "Global Unit Courses" (GUC) provides a great opportunity for students around the world to gain what it is like to study at one of the world's leading universities in East Asia. UTokyo GUC offers a variety of in-person and online courses with cutting-edge contents, taught by faculty members of the University of Tokyo.

【Global Unit/ Assessment】

Students will be rigorously assessed and be given "Global Units" based on their performance and the number of class hours. Upon completion of a course, a Global Unit Certificate, which may be used to calculate credits for transfer to your home institution, will be issued by the University of Tokyo.

【Contact Hours】

15 hours per Global Unit (90 minute-lecture × 10)

7.5 hours per 0.5 Global Unit (90 minute-lecture × 5)

【Eligibility】

Applicants must be currently enrolled in a university as a full-time student outside of Japan (undergraduate and graduate).

UTokyo students are also welcome to apply for the program.

【Schedule】

Application Period: From 1 February to **13 March 2023 at 16:00 (JST)** **【19 December updated】**

Application Fee Payment Deadline: **13 March, 2023 at 16:00 (JST)** **【10 January updated】**

Receive Result of Screening: Mid-April

Program Fee Payment Deadline: Mid-April to Late April

Program Period: Mid-June to July

Term 1: Mid-June to Late June

Term 2: Early July to Mid-July

Term 3: Late July

*** For specific dates and time, please check UTokyo GUC website.**

【Courses/ Delivery method】

Applicants may choose from the following courses.

Students may select any number of courses from any Term as long as there are no time conflicts. Please note that those attending the program in-person may select online courses also.

* See the timetable from UTokyo GUC website for specific time periods when the courses are taught.

Term 1

(In-person Courses)

- AI for Understanding Human Intelligence
- Early Language Acquisition: How Human Infants Learn Language Within Their Social Environment

(Online, synchronous)

- Sustainability, Social Justice and Resource Management

(Japanese Language Courses)

- Survival Japanese (Beginner Level)
- Communication Strategy in Japanese Conversation (Advanced Level)

Term 2

(In-person Courses)

- Capitalism and the Senses
- Contemporary Japanese Politics
- Dilemmas of Development in Asia
- Group Theory and Its Applications: Introduction to Beautiful Modern Mathematics
- Sustainable Urban Management
- AI and Social Justice

(Japanese Language Courses)

- Survival Japanese (Beginner Level)
- Japanese Kanji for Kanji Background Students (Intermediate to Advanced Level)

Term 3

(In-person Courses)

- Law in Transnational East Asia

- Science of Light: From Fundamentals to Advanced Technologies

On-demand

- Writings About Japan: Analyzing Cultural Representations, From Orientalism to Artificial Intelligence (On-demand, nonsynchronous)
See syllabus for specific dates.

* **Japanese Language Courses are open only to the students who register for at least one of the main courses above.** The courses will be taught by faculty of Center for Japanese Language Education.

* UTokyo reserves the right to cancel courses for reasons such as insufficient number of registrants. Appropriate refunds for the program fee will be given in case of cancellation.

【Application】

Applications are accepted via T-cens SP Online Application System only.

Details about T-cens SP will be published on UTokyo GUC website in January.

The following documents must be submitted.

*Be sure that the file size of each document does not exceed 2MB.

- 1) A copy of your identification (passport or student ID card)
- 2) An OFFICIAL transcript(s) from all the institutions of higher education one has attended.

* **If you are a first year undergraduate student and the transcript is unavailable at the time of application, please submit any document which attests your enrollment at your home institution.**

* **If you are a first year student at the graduate level and the transcript is unavailable at the time of application, please submit the latest transcript of your undergraduate degree.**

- 3) Consent Form

*Download the form from UTokyo GUC website, read it carefully and sign.

*2~3) Please scan and save the data as a PDF file.

- 4) A color ID photo, plain background (taken within the last 3 months) **【19 December updated】**

- 5) Statement of purpose for each course you want to apply for. **【10 January updated】**

*Download the document from UTokyo GUC Website.

【Language Requirement】

All UTokyo GUC courses are taught entirely in English (except for Japanese language

courses) and no knowledge of Japanese language is required. Although no certificate of English language skills is required, students must possess sufficient language proficiency to complete university-level courses. The expected minimum proficiency level is that of TOEFL(iBT) 90 or IELTS 6.5.

【Application Fee】

JPY 4,500

The transaction fee of JPY 500 will be charged along with the application fee.

The application fee must be paid during application period by credit card ONLY and is strictly non-refundable. There is no application fee for UTokyo students.

【Program Fees】

In-person format: JPY 150,000 per Global Unit/ JPY 75,000 per 0.5 Global Unit

Online/ On-demand format: JPY 50,000 per Global Unit / JPY 25,000 per 0.5 Global Unit

【Discounts for registering for two or more units】

Students who register for 2 or more units are entitled to the following discount:

**Only applies to in-person courses*

Global Units	Program Fee (JPY)	Discount (JPY)
2	250,000	50,000
2.5	310,000	65,000
3	370,000	80,000
3.5	430,000	95,000
4	490,000	110,000
4.5	550,000	125,000
5	610,000	140,000

The program fee must be paid in full after admission is confirmed in April by credit card ONLY.

The transaction fee of JPY 500 will be charged along with the total program fee.

Payment Deadline: Mid-April (TBA)

【Accommodation】

No campus housing is available and students are responsible for arranging their own accommodation. However, UTokyo GUC staff will assist students with finding

accommodation information in the Tokyo area, which has a range of affordable options for short-term stays. Payment for accommodations is the sole responsibility of the students.

【Visa】

UTokyo will send supporting documents to students attending in-person course(s) and requiring a Short-Term Stay Visa after confirming payment of the program fees. Students should confirm whether their nationality is a "Visa National" or a "Non-Visa National" by referring to the following websites. Students requiring a Visa should apply at the Japanese Embassy or Consulate General in their country of residence on their own. Please note that this process may take several weeks.

Visa

https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

Exemption of Visa (Short-Term Stay)

https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html

UTokyo GUC website:

<https://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/prospective-students/guc.html>



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<https://www.facebook.com/utokyo.guc>



Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/GucUtokyo>



Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/utokyo_guc/



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