

Admission Procedures for the Master's Program,
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences,
Tohoku University
(Special Screening for International Students)
(Program Beginning in April or October)

For general information on admission of international students to Tohoku University, please visit the website of Center for International Exchange (<http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/cms/index-e.cgi>).

The following information applies only to the applicants of non-Japanese nationality who are wishing to be enrolled in the Master's Program of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

1. Majors and Specialized Subjects

Major	Specialized Subject (Laboratory)
Molecular Pharmaceutical Science	Medicinal Chemistry Organometallic Chemistry Synthetic Chemistry Heterocyclic Chemistry Molecular Transformation Natural Products Chemistry Pharmaceutical Physicochemistry Bio-Structural Chemistry Radiopharmaceutical Chemistry
Life and Pharmaceutical Science	Pharmacology Bio-Analytical Chemistry Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry Membrane Transport and Drug Targeting Drug Metabolism and Molecular Toxicology Pharmacotherapy Molecular and Biochemical Toxicology Gene Regulation Cellular Signaling Molecular Genetics Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics Oncology Pharmacy Practice and Science Pharmacotherapy of Life-Style Related Diseases Clinical Pharmaceutical Sciences Planning for Drug Development and Clinical Evaluation

Notes:

- 1) A few students may be accepted in this program.
- 2) Applicants should choose one of the Special Subjects (laboratories) listed above and **consult with the professor of the laboratory about your application.**
- 3) For information on the research projects and group members of individual laboratories, please refer to the URL: <http://www.pharm.tohoku.ac.jp/english/lab-e.shtml>.

2. Requirements for Applicants

Those who wish to apply for the two-year Master's Program should fulfill (or be planned to fulfill by the date of enrollment) one of the following requirements:

- (1) Graduated from a Japanese university or college.
- (2) Awarded a Bachelor's Degree by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation of Japan.
- (3) Completed sixteen years of formal education in a foreign country.
- (4) Completed sixteen years of formal education of a foreign country by taking a foreign school's correspondence course in Japan.
- (5) Graduated from a Japanese branch of a foreign university accredited by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan.
- (6) Completed the course accredited by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan in a specialized training college.
- (7) Accredited by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (cf. Ministry of Education Directive No. 5, 1953).
- (8) Once admitted to a Japanese graduate school by advanced placement and approved by the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences to have an academic aptitude appropriate for education in the Graduate School.
- (9) Aged 22 years or over and individually qualified by the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences as being equal or superior in scholastic achievements to graduates from Japanese universities or colleges.

Notes:

- 1) Advanced placement admission is not available at the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- 2) Persons who intend to apply under the condition of (8) or (9) described above will be screened on the basis of their qualifications. Please make contact with the Education Affairs Section of the Graduate School one or more months before submitting your application.
- 3) Applicants who need some special help for taking the entrance examination and performing the course study should make contact with the Education Affairs Section in advance.

3. Application Procedures

- (1) Documents and payment required for application
 - (a) Completed Application for Admission
A copy of the form is available at the Education Affairs Section of the Graduate School.
 - (b) Signed Examination Voucher with photographs of the applicant
A copy of the blank voucher is available at the Education Affairs Section of the Graduate School.
 - (c) Certificate of graduation or expected graduation from the university/college the applicant last attended
Not required for students of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tohoku University.
 - (d) Certificate of a Bachelor's Degree issued by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation (NIAD-UE) of Japan or a certificate of application for a Bachelor's Degree to NIAD-UE issued by the junior or technical college the applicant last attended.
Only applicable to those applying under condition (2) of Section 2.
 - (e) Official transcripts from the university/college the applicant last attended
Not required for students of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tohoku University.
 - (f) Letter of Approval from the employer
Required for those intending to continue employed during the course of program.

(g) Application fee (¥30,000)

Students receiving the Japanese Government Scholarship are exempted from the payment of application fee. If you submit your application by postal mail, please make a postal money order of the amount specified above with the payee name left blank.

(h) Copy of resident's card

Required for those staying in Japan more than 90 days.

(i) A stamped (¥350 for domestic mail) and self-addressed envelope

Required for those wishing to have their Examination Vouchers delivered by postal mail.

(2) Method of submission

A complete set of the documents listed above and the application fee must be submitted to the Education Affairs Section of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

(a) Period of submission (Ask the Education Affairs Section. Week days only, 9:00 – 16:30)

(b) For submission by postal mail, send the documents and the postal money order for application fee to the following address:

Education Affairs Section,
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences,
Tohoku University,
Aoba-ku, Sendai 980-8578, JAPAN

Write “Master’s Program Application enclosed” on the envelope in red ink and send it as a registered mail.

4. Selection Process

- (1) Candidates are selected on the basis of their performance in written examination and interview (oral examination).
- (2) The subjects of the written examination are English Language and the Specialized Subject in the Major each applicant has chosen. Questions will be given in both Japanese and English, and answers may be written in English in the specialized subject examination.
- (3) For the date and time of examination, ask the Education Affairs Section (the written examination and interview may be made in one or two days).
- (4) The place of examination is the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tohoku University.

5. Announcement of the Selection Result

The result of the selection will be announced on a notice board and the home page (<http://www.pharm.tohoku.ac.jp>) of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tohoku University. For the date of announcement, ask the Education Affairs Section. Successful applicants will be notified separately by postal mail.

6. Entrance Formalities

- (1) To secure admission, a newly admitted student must submit the required documents and the payment of the fees listed below by the date specified.
- (2) Payment at the time of enrollment

- (a) Entrance Fee: ¥282,000.
- (b) Tuition Fee: ¥267,900 for the first semester (¥535,800 annually)

Notes:

- 1) The full annual tuition fee may be paid at the time of enrollment.
- 2) The fees are subject to change.
- 3) Please refer to the letter of acceptance for information on the exemption from or postponement of the payment.

7. Extended Study Programs

Newly admitted students can select an option to study over more than the standard period of the course without paying extra tuition fees, if such a study plan is submitted at the time of enrollment and admitted by the Graduate School. For more information, make contact with the Education Affairs Section.

8. Privacy Policy

Tohoku University is committed to complying with all applicable law and will respect the legal requirements that exist regarding the privacy of personal information. Any personal information of applicants submitted to Tohoku University will be used only in the following purposes:

- (a) Entrance examination (application and examination procedure)
- (b) Announcement of selection result
- (c) Entrance formalities
- (d) Follow-up survey after enrollment
- (e) Student support after enrollment.

The above-mentioned services will be conducted partially by certain outsourced companies, which have received a commission by Tohoku University to conduct such services.

9. Other Notices

- (1) For detailed information on the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tohoku University, please visit the website <http://www.pharm.tohoku.ac.jp>.
- (2) Faulty applications will not be received. The application documents once submitted cannot be changed. The application fee is not refundable.
- (3) For more information on the application, please make contact with the section below:

Education Affairs Section,
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences,
Tohoku University,
Aoba-ku, Sendai 980-8578, JAPAN
Tel: +81-22-795-6803, Fax: +81-22-795-6805
E-mail: kyoumu@mail.pharm.tohoku.ac.jp

- (4) To request a copy of the application form, please send a stamped (¥410 for domestic mail) and self-addressed envelope (about 33 cm x 24 cm in size) to the above contact address.
- (5) To reach the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences by bus from the JR Sendai Station, please get

on a Sendai City bus that starts from the bus pool No. 9 near the Sendai Station and is bound for Aoba-Joushi (Site of Aoba Castle) via Aoba-Doori (Aoba Avenue), Rigakubu (Faculty of Science), and Kougakubu (Faculty of Engineering). Our Graduate School is located a few minutes walk from the Rigakubu Shizenshi Hyouhon Kan (Science Museum) bus stop.

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