

Application Guidelines for the 1st Science Tokyo Summer Program (STSP 2026)

Science Tokyo is pleased to announce the first Summer Program (STSP 2026) since its establishment following integration. This program invites students from overseas partner institutions to experience the appeal of Science Tokyo through special lectures, research training, interaction with its students, and Japanese cultural activities. Please see the details below.

Eligibility (Expected number of participants: 27)

- (1) Students enrolled in a regular degree program at Science Tokyo's overseas partner institutions, who will be second-year undergraduate students or above at the time of participation, or master's students.
- (2) Individuals interested in student life at Science Tokyo and research training experience.
- (3) Individuals with English proficiency sufficient to participate in international academic conferences related to science.
- (4) Individuals in good physical and mental health.

1. Schedule and Program (Tentative) (Language: English)

Program Period: July 2 (Thu) – July 29 (Wed), 2026 (4 weeks)

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Campus
July 2 (Thu)	Orientation	Welcome Party	Ookayama
July 3 (Fri)	Special Lectures: Prof. Kei Sakaguchi Prof. Takeshi Hatanaka	Campus Tour, etc.	Ookayama
July 6 (Mon)	Special Lectures: Prof. Sakiko Fukui Prof. Masayo Matsuzaki	Free Time	Yushima
July 7 (Tue) – July 28 (Tue)	Laboratory Placement & Research Training		Various
July 15 (Wed)	Mid-Program Reflection *Optional		Various
July 17 (Fri)	Research Training at Each Lab Campus: Various	Japanese Cultural Experiences: Tea Ceremony	Ookayama
July 29 (Wed)	Final Presentation	Farewell Party, Certificate Presentation Ceremony	Ookayama

Theme:

The first STSP will embody the philosophy of medical-engineering collaboration advocated by Science Tokyo and implement a program designed to deepen participants' learning and research experience with interdisciplinary co-creation in mind.

July 2 (Thu): Orientation & Welcome Party @ Ookayama Campus

After an introduction to Science Tokyo, guidance on living in Japan, safety instructions, and administrative procedures, a welcome party will be held. This will be an opportunity to make friends through interaction with participants from other countries, Science Tokyo students, and faculty members.

July 3 (Fri): Special Lectures, Campus Tour @ Ookayama Campus

July 6 (Mon): Special Lectures, Campus Tour @ Yushima Campus

At both locations, participants will attend special lectures and join campus tours together with other participants and Science Tokyo students to experience the Institute's appeal. Japanese cultural experiences are also planned.

The special lectures will focus on "Medical-Engineering Collaboration," a key initiative of Science Tokyo, featuring Prof. Sakaguchi, Program Director of the Visionary Initiative (VI) "Innovative-Life Society," who will present cutting-edge research topics shaping the future of medicine and engineering, offering opportunities for global learning. (No academic credits will be awarded.)

Prof. Sakaguchi has **long led advanced research across medicine and engineering**, continuing international dissemination in diverse fields such as **regenerative medicine, bio-devices, and technologies contributing to a healthy and long-lived society**.

Lectures by other VI members are also planned: Prof. Hatanaka (Specialty: Distributed Cooperative Environmental Monitoring Technology and Human-Robot Cooperative Control Technology), Prof. Fukui (Specialty: Nursing for Home/Palliative Care and Care Robots), and Prof. Matsuzaki (Specialty: Reproductive Health Nursing).

About the Visionary Initiatives: [Visionary Initiatives — Shaping the future with science | Science Tokyo](#)

July 7 (Tue) – July 28 (Tue): Laboratory Placement & Research Training

Participants will be assigned to laboratories based on prior preferences and will engage in approximately three weeks of research training. Faculty members, Japanese students, and international students in the same laboratory will provide support, enabling participants to gradually experience everything from acquiring basic experimental techniques to participating in research projects.

On July 15 (Wed), participants and staff will review the progress of the program together.

During this period, there will also be two Japanese cultural experiences (**Tea Ceremony is on July 17**).

We are planning one more experience but it is TBA).

July 29 (Wed): Final Presentation, Farewell Party, Certificate Presentation Ceremony

In the presentation session, participants will share the results of their research experience in their own words and exchange insights with peers and faculty. Finally, participants will deepen friendships at the farewell party and receive a certificate to commemorate their summer learning experience.

2. Program Fee and Support

- **Program Fee:** JPY 150,000 for participation in July (approx. one month)
Note: The fee will not be prorated. Even if participating for only one day, the full amount must be paid.
Payment details will be provided only to participants.
- **Accommodation:** The program office will introduce shared houses, etc., but participants must secure accommodation themselves and bear the related costs. Accommodation fees are not included in the program fee.
- **Meals:** The welcome party on July 2 and lunch and farewell party on July 29 are included in the program fee. Other meals are not provided. Please inform us if you have any particular dietary requirements.
- **Transportation:** Round-trip travel between Japan and participant's home country is not included in the program fee. Transportation costs during STSP are also borne by participants.
- **Other:** All costs related to travel to Japan and any issues that may arise during the stay are borne by participants. Overseas travel insurance is mandatory. Additionally, since participants will engage in experiments and training during the stay, they must separately purchase insurance provided by Science Tokyo to cover these activities (approx. JPY 1,150–1,340).

3. Application Procedure

- Applications must be submitted through the applicant's home university. Participants should first inform their university's study abroad coordinator of their intention to join this program.
- University coordinators should notify the STSP office and submit the designated nomination sheet by the deadline via the URL below.
<https://science-tokyo.app.box.com/f/8451efd10d87414382ed678564c6f7eb>
- After that, the STSP office will directly request application documents from participants. Participants must submit the required documents by the deadline below.
Nomination Sheet Deadline: January 16, 2026 (Fri), 17:00 JST
Application Documents Deadline: January 30, 2026 (Fri), 17:00 JST
- Applicants must select up to three preferred laboratories (1st–3rd choice). The matching will be done by Science Tokyo, so please list your preferred laboratories on the Application Form according to the instructions in the Form.
- Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. Submitted documents will not be returned for any reason.
- Notification of acceptance for STSP 2026 will be sent in March 2026.

4. Application Documents (Those marked * are mandatory for all applicants)

- Response to questionnaire via Forms (Application Form)*
- Copy of passport page showing photo and passport number*
- Certificate of enrollment*

- Academic transcript*
- JPEG photo file*
- Letter of recommendation (prepared by a faculty member at the home university)*
- Visa application documents (COE application)
- Proof of English proficiency (TOEIC, TOEFL, or certificate issued by the home university) *Not required for applicants from countries where English is an official language.*
- Additional documents may be required depending on research content (e.g., vaccination certificate for medical/dental fields, portfolio for architecture).

5. Notes

- If the number of applicants exceeds capacity, a selection process will be conducted. In such cases, the STSP office will notify both university coordinators and applicants.
- Provided personal information will be used for STSP 2026 administration purposes only.
- As part of STSP 2026 publicity activities, participants may be invited to join photo/video shoots, attend interviews, or write experience reports. These will proceed only after the purpose has been explained and consent obtained. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.
- No academic credits will be awarded for participation in this program.

6. Contact

STSP Office

Hosting International Exchange Group / Yushima International Exchange Support Group

Global Education Division, Education Planning Department, Institute of Science Tokyo

Email: summer.program@adm.isct.ac.jp