# Emergency Enrollment Fee and/or Tuition Exemptions for Graduate Students Affected Financially by COVID-19 Spring Semester AY 2023 Application Information

Applications for "emergency enrollment fee and/or tuition exemptions" will be available for eligible graduate students who have difficulty paying the enrollment fee and/or tuition due to a significant, sudden change in their financial circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. If you wish to apply for the exemptions, please carefully read all information below and follow the instructions.

This application is for the 2023 spring semester only.

# Eligibility

# [Privately funded international students]

Applicants must be either of the following:

1. Those who have been approved for financial assistance from designated public organizations

Note: Please click on the following link to download a list of organizations (details are only available in Japanese):<u>https://www.titech.ac.jp/student-support/pdf/jyugyo-2023menjokyuhen-sienlist.pdf</u>

- 2. Those whose income has decreased due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and meet either of the following:
  - a. <u>Students and/or family members physically living in the same household in Japan</u> earned JPY 1,300,000 or more from part-time jobs etc. in Japan in 2022, 2021, 2020, or 2019, AND their annual income from part-time jobs etc. <u>in Japan</u> in 2023 is expected to drop by 50% or more from 2022, 2021, 2020, or 2019.
  - b. A major source of income for students and/or family members physically living in the same household in Japan in 2022, 2021, 2020, or 2019 was part-time jobs etc., AND their annual income from part-time jobs etc. in Japan in 2023 is expected to drop by 50% or more from 2022, 2021, 2020, or 2019. In addition, applicants must be those who applied for tuition exemption for AY 2022.

# Application process

Access the **Enrollment Fee & Tuition Exemption** application system via the Tokyo Tech Portal and enter information for the items below. Documents can be submitted directly or sent by postal mail to the Student Support Division on your campus. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is encouraged that documents are submitted by postal mail instead of in person.

# 1. STEP 1: Register application information online

2. STEP 2: Register application information online and Submit original documents

\*If you are an international student entering Tokyo Tech in the 2023 spring semester who cannot apply for the exemptions but applied for postponement, and you are eligible for these emergency exemptions (see "Eligibility" above), please follow the above application process as an applicant for postponement. If your application documents prove your eligibility for these emergency exemptions, the Student Support Division will contact you as a candidate.

## Application period

The application period is as follows. <u>Tokyo Tech will not accept any application after the</u> <u>stated deadlines</u>. <u>Submissions by postal mail must be postmarked by the last day of STEP</u> <u>2 period</u>.

\*If you apply for an enrollment fee exemption, you will need to enter information into the online enrollment procedure system at the time of the admission procedure.

STEP 1:

Current Students: March 14 to March 27, 2023

March 23, 13:00 to April 3, 23:59, 2023

New Students: April 4 to April 17, 23:59, 2023

STEP 2:

For all applicants: June 6 to June 19, 2023 Office hours for submission of documents: 10:15 to 16:15

# Application Procedures

[STEP 1: Register application information online]

(1) The same listed as STEP 1: Register application information online for the exemption from tuition for graduate students must be input.

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### (2) Declaration of Change in Household Income Due to COVID-19

Please enter the necessary information into the online system as per (1).

[STEP 2: Submit original documents]

### (1) The same listed as STEP 2: Submission original documents

Refer to "2. Application Procedures" in "2. Applying for Tuition Exemption and/or Postponement of Payment" in the Application Guide below and submit the necessary documents:

• Enrollment Fee and Tuition Exemption Application Guide for Graduate Students

(2) Documentation proving financial hardship due to COVID-19 Documents that you need to submit original hard copies after uploading their electronic versions are denoted by a dagger (<sup>†</sup>) symbol..

Those who applied for	• Certificate(s) proving that the applicant is receiving or has been accepted to receive financial assistance from public	
financial	organizations	
assistance from	AND either of the following documents:	
public	Copies of salary (wage) statements for the past three	
organizations	months (after December 2022): Must be submitted if the	
	applicant's annual employment income is expected to drop.	
	Declaration of drop in income received from sources other	
	than salary <sup>*1</sup> : Must be submitted if the applicant's <i>annual</i>	
	<i>income from sources other than salary</i> is expected to drop.	
Applicants whose	Both of the following documents concerning the applicant and	
annual	each family member physically living in the same household in	
employment	Japan:	
income is	Taxation certificate for 2023 <sup>†</sup>	
expected to drop	Copies of salary (wage) statements for the past three	
by 50% or more	months (after December 2022)	
from 2022, 2021,	If the current (reduced) income needs to be compared to that of	
2020 or 2019	2021, 2020 or 2019, the following document is also required:	
	• Taxation certificate for 2022 <sup>†</sup> , Taxation certificate for 2021 <sup>†</sup>	
	or Taxation certificate for 2020 <sup>†</sup>	
Applicants whose	All of the following documents concerning the applicant and	
annual income	each family member physically living in the same household in	
from sources	Japan:	
other than salary	Taxation certificate for 2023 <sup>†</sup>	
is expected to drop by 50% or	<ul> <li>Declaration of drop in income received from sources other than salary<sup>*1</sup></li> </ul>	
more from 2022,	<ul> <li>A copy of the 2022 final income tax return certificate</li> </ul>	
2021, 2020 or	<ul> <li>Documentation proving a drop in sales (e.g., a monthly trial</li> </ul>	
2019	balance)	
	If the current (reduced) income needs to be compared to that of	
	2021, 2020 or 2019, the following document is also required:	
	• Taxation certificate for 2022 <sup>†</sup> , Taxation certificate for 2021 <sup>†</sup>	
	or Taxation certificate for 2020 <sup>†</sup>	
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<sup>\*1</sup> Please click <u>here</u> to download the form (in Japanese only):

Note: When applying for exemption from both the enrollment fee and tuition, only one application is required (no separate application is needed).

# Submission of documents

The required documents must be submitted to the office below.

If your laboratory is located at Ookayama	If your laboratory is located at
or Tamachi campus, send your	Suzukakedai campus, send your
application to:	application to:
Financial Aid Group	Suzukakedai Student Support Group
Student Support Division	Student Support Division
Student Services Department	Student Services Department
Tokyo Institute of Technology	Tokyo Institute of Technology
2-12-1-TP-102 Ookayama, Meguro-ku	4259 J1-1 Nagatsuta-cho, Midori-ku
Tokyo 152-8550, Japan	Yokohama, Kanagawa 226-8503, Japan

Note:

- If you send required documents by postal mail, please use Japan Post's registered mail or "Letter Pack Light Plus" services to check their tracking status.
- Please write "Application for Emergency Tuition Exemption (for graduate students)" on the front of the envelope.

### Notification of results

Results will be notified on the Web System for Students in late July to early August. They will also be sent to the applicant's Tokyo Tech email address (@m.titech.ac.jp). A payment slip(s) in a sealed envelope is planned to be mailed to the applicant's registered address at the same time as the result notification.

# ♦ Q&A

Q1: I applied for the emergency tuition exemption for spring semester. Can I assume that my application and documents will also be considered for the fall semester? A1: No. You are asked to complete the designated procedure for the fall semester, too. Different from ordinary exemptions, decisions on approval for emergency exemptions for the spring and fall semesters will be made separately.

Q2: I have applied for (or am applying for) a financial assistance program offered by a public organization. What should I do if I haven't received the decision on my application by the STEP 1 deadline? Am I not eligible to apply for the emergency exemption? A2: You may be eligible to apply.

Please note, however, that you will be required to upload (in STEP 2) a decision letter of public assistance or a certificate of receipt.

Q3: What are the criteria to determine that part-time work is a major source of income, in relation to the eligibility for privately funded international students (Eligibility 2. b)? A3: If more than 50% of your income comes from part-time work, this is deemed a major source of income.

Q4: Will anyone who fulfils the eligibility requirements be approved for the emergency tuition exemption once they submit the required documents?A4: No. Tokyo Tech will evaluate applicants' academic performance, income, and assets according to our regulations — the same as for ordinary tuition exemption.Decisions on applications for emergency tuition exemption will be one of the following: "full exemption," "50% exemption," or "disapproved."

Q5: I am currently outside Japan. Am I eligible to apply?

A5: You may apply. You may ask laboratory associates in Japan to submit all the required documents on your behalf. When your proxy sends the documents by domestic postal mail, please follow the instructions in "Application process" and "Submission of application" above.

In all cases, please be sure to complete the application procedure by the deadline.

# Contact information

Please email inquiries to the following office. **Make sure to include your name, student ID no., and phone number.** We will answer your questions by email.

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If your laboratory is located at	Financial Aid Group
Ookayama or Tamachi campus:	gak.kei@jim.titech.ac.jp
If your laboratory is located at	Suzukakedai Student Support Group
Suzukakedai campus:	suz.gak@jim.titech.ac.jp