※For science and engineering students※

Science Tokyo Tsubame Scholarship for Doctoral Students
AY 2026 Fall Application Guidelines

Tokyo Tech, the predecessor of Science Tokyo , established the Tokyo Tech Tsubame Doctoral Student Scholarship in 2019 for doctoral students at the university.
The Tsubame Scholarship for Doctoral Students aims to reduce the financial burden on academically outstanding students so that they may concentrate on pursuing their doctoral studies. The financial assistance is intended to prevent motivated students from missing out on the opportunity to study at the Institute.

1. Eligibility

(i) Students enrolled in a doctoral degree program between April 2018 and September 2026.
(ii) Students who are expecting to enroll in a doctoral degree program in April 2027 (i.e., current second-year master's students)

However, those who fall under any of the following conditions are ineligible:

(i) Students who receive financial aid from programs that do not permit funding from other sources (e.g., recipients of the JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientists, MEXT Scholarship students, recipients of overseas government scholarships, Science Tokyo Support Program for Doctoral Stundents - Program for Development of Next-Generation Front-Runners with Comprehensive Knowledge and Humanity, Science Tokyo Program for Development of Co-creative Experts towards Top-level AI Research (Science Tokyo BOOST)).
(ii) Students who earn income as working adults (e.g., regular employees of a company, individuals who own a business).*1
(iii) They have exceeded the standard duration of doctoral studies.

.*1 If you started a business after joining Science Tokyo, we will judge based on your income so please consult with us individually.

Notes:
- The next call for applications is planned for May 2027.
- Students who belong to the above three groups but who do not currently satisfy the eligibility criteria may submit their application in subsequent recruitments if they meet the eligibility criteria at those times.

2. Scholarship amount

	Scholarship amount (annual)
1st-year doctoral students	480,000 JPY (standard scholarship)
2nd- and 3rd-year doctoral students	480,000 JPY (standard scholarship) Or 635,400 JPY (special scholarship*2)

*2Students who show outstanding academic performance and research achievements will be granted a special scholarship in their second and/or third years. Approximately 20% of second- and third-year scholarship recipients will receive the special scholarship.

3. Term of scholarship

Students will receive scholarship money a maximum of six times (for six semesters) for the standard duration of doctoral studies.

Those who graduate early will receive scholarship money for the duration of their enrollment.

However, the above two points will no longer apply in the event of termination of the scholarship entitlement.

4. Application procedure

Applicants must apply submit their application through the “Questionnaire” on the Web System for Students and Faculty (Kyomu Web System) during the application period indicated below.

Questionnaire Title: New application for Science Tokyo Tsubame Scholarship for Doctoral Students

Required documents: (Please prepare these documents in advance.)

1. Research Plan [Form T-1] (Use the prescribed format and save it as a PDF file after completion.)
2. Copy of your bankbook (PDF or image file. Only Japanese banks are accepted.)
   Copy of the bankbook page(s) showing your account information for verification.
   If you do not have a bank passbook, please submit an image of your web screen showing your bank account information.(Cash cards will not be accepted)

Notes:

•Submitted data will be used solely for procedures related to this scholarship.

•When completing the questionnaire, you have to register your bank account details for transfer purposes using the designated form (URL provided in the questionnaire).

5. Application period

Student application period : **From November 9, 2026 to November 20, 2026**

Supervisor’s approval period : **From November 9, 2026 to November 25, 2026**

Notes:

• Please report from the Web Services for Students and Faculty (Kyomu Web system).
During the submission period, "New application for Science Tokyo Tsubame Scholarship for Doctoral Students " will be displayed in the questionnaire menu on the Kyomu Web system.
Please submit from there. (No need to submit in paper form)

• **Application and Supervisor Approvals will not be accepted outside the above period.**
To make sure your supervisor has enough time for approval, please check the schedule of your supervisor beforehand and inform them of your request for approval. Please also remind your supervisor that the approval deadline is November 25.

• Consult the Student Support Division in advance if you are unable to apply from the Web System for Students and Faculty during this period.

6. Selection process

(i) Applicants will be selected based on document screening.
(ii) Notification of selection results will be sent out by early January (tentative).

7. Scholarship payment

Scholarship payments will be made once each semester, at the end of August and the end of January (tentative), to scholarship recipients' bank accounts.

8. Withdrawal from scholarship

Students who apply for multiple scholarships or fellowships must contact the Student Support Division immediately if they are selected for a scholarship or fellowship with restrictions on receiving financial aid from other sources in order to withdraw from the Tsubame Scholarship.

9. Suspension and Resumption of scholarship payment

(i) Scholarship recipients will have their payment suspended if they take a leave of absence for the entire semester covered by the scholarship payment.
(ii) Scholarship recipients whose payment was intermitted can have it reinstated on request once the reason for the suspension has been resolved.

10. Termination of scholarship entitlement

Scholarship entitlement will be terminated if any of the following applies:
(i) The student no longer meets the eligibility criteria of the scholarship.
(ii) The student withdraws or is expelled from the Institute or transfers to another university.
(iii) Disciplinary action has been taken against the student.
(iv) The student is deemed unfit as a scholarship recipient due to other matters.

11. Return of scholarship payment

Scholarship recipients may be requested to return part or all of the awarded scholarship if matters involving them arise that are considered unbefitting. The same applies to those whose entitlement to the scholarship was terminated.

12. Research Achievements Report

(i) Scholarship recipients must submit a research achievements report at the end of each year of study. Those who enroll in April must submit it in March of the following year, and those who enroll in September must submit theirs in September of the following year.

(ii) Failure to submit a research achievements report within the specified period (see 13 below) will result in suspension of scholarship payment for the following semester(s).

(iii) Scholarship recipients whose payment is suspended can have it reinstated by submitting the research achievements report. In principle, if the submission is made after the relevant semester ends, payment will resume in the semester following the semester in which the student submits the report.

Note: Even if a late submission of the research achievements report is made within the same month of the periods specified below, but after the specified dates, the submission will still be deemed to have been made in the subsequent semester. Accordingly, payment will not resume until the semester following the semester in which the student submits the report.

13. Period of Research Achievements Report

(i) April enrollees: Early March (Report research achievements since April.)

(ii)September enrollees: Early September (Report research achievements since the end of September.)

Note: Reports must be made from the Web System for Students and Faculty during the specified period above. Students who cannot report during the specified period must consult the Student Support Division in advance.

14. Inquiries

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