

Science Tokyo Guidance for Graduate Students 2025

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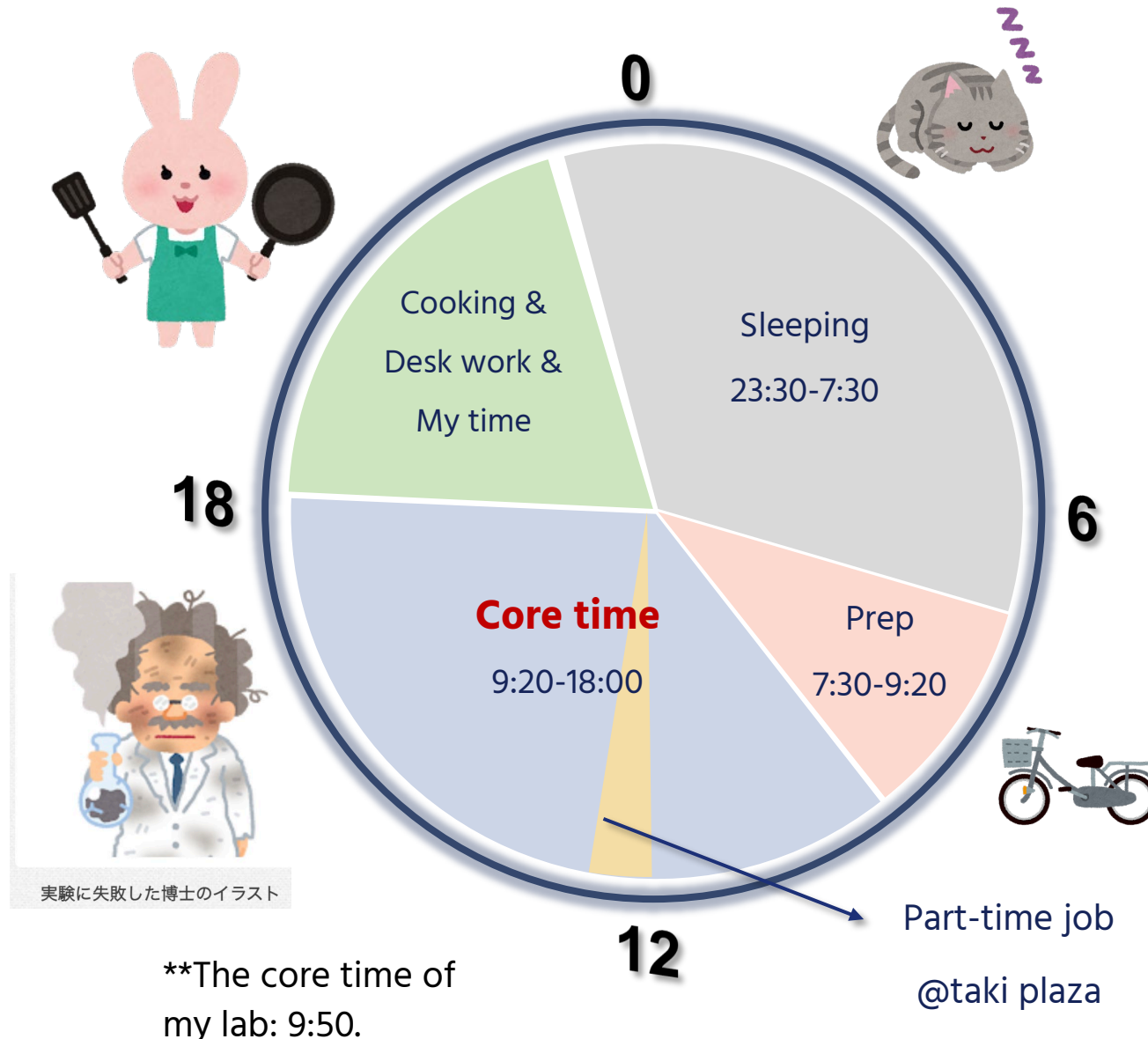
- Yuqian Chen #Shanghai #China
- D2 #Department of Materials Science and Engineering
- Nintendo Switch #Splatoon3 #Animal crossing
- Outdoors #Skiing #Camping #Hiking



How my workday looks like?

Daily communication

- Daily conversation with my peers:
95% Japanese and 5% Chinese
- Discussion with my supervisor:
100% Japanese
- Academic presentation and Master's defense:
100% English
- *Hospital, bank, ward office, etc.
100% Japanese



Research life in Science Tokyo

Financial support

- **Scholarships for master students:**

 - JASSO

 - privately funded scholarships

- **Scholarships for PhD students:**

 - JSPS

 - Tokyo Tech SPRING

 - (Tokyo Tech Program for Development of Next-Generation Front-Runners
with Comprehensive Knowledge and Humanity)

 - Tokyo Tech Tsubame Scholarship

 - privately funded scholarships

- ✓ **Part-time job**

- ✓ **TA, RA**

Where can I find the information

① HP of Science Tokyo → 'Current student'



Advancing science
and human
wellbeing

② 'Tuition and Scholarships'

Current students

Information on classes, coursework, tuition and scholarships, and other information necessary for student life. Students affiliated with Schools, please check the links under "Science and Engineering". Students affiliated with Faculties or Graduate Schools, please check the links under "Medical and Dental Sciences".



We are also on Slack!
#rss-t2website-current-status-all

And your e-mail!

Where can I improve my Japanese?

Nihongo space

Open hour and Venue:

Ookayama Campus	Suzukakedai Campus
Every Wed. and Thu. (12:40 - 14:00)	Every Thu. (12:40 - 14:00)
Int'l Student Lounge at West Bldg.1	G1-116



Global lounge @ Taki plaza B1

MULTILINGUAL CHAT

Welcome to our multilingual chat in 2023 Spring!
Let's talk in English, Korean, Chinese, or Japanese
with the Peer Life Coach Students!
Learn other languages!
※No Reservation is Required

Where
TakiPlaza B1F
Global Lounge

Language
English
Korean
Chinese
Japanese

When
Every Friday
13:00 - 13:30
from Apr.14th

You can also communicate with Japanese Students

You don't have to prepare anything!

Let's talk about our daily life!!

International Exchange Team of Peer Life Coaches
Student Success Support Section, Student Support Center
Email: internationalstudentsupport@jim.titech.ac.jp



Other events held at Global Lounge @taki plaza

Previous events held in 2024



Peer Life Coach

International Student Help Desk

Let's work together to solve your problem!

You may have encountered problems like...

- How can I join a club activity?
- What are the opening hours of the library?
- How can I apply for a credit card?
- Can you help me to explain this notification?

The International Student Help Desk provides information to foreign students who have questions like these. Please feel free to talk with us!

Schedule 2022: 12/8, 12/15, 12/22 (English, Chinese, Korean)
2023: 1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26 (English, Korean)
When: 10:45-12:45

Where Taki Plaza B1F Global Lounge

Language English · Chinese · Korean

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Let's Draw Cartoon

漫画を描こう!

Do you like Manga? Why don't you try drawing your own cartoon? Let's learn how to draw cartoon with professional, and make original cartoon with other people. It will be special time for year-end memories.

Kazuo Maekawa
Professional cartoonist
Representative work: Ace Attorney

Dec 26
18:00-19:30
Ookayama campus
Taki Plaza B2F

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Yukata dressing and tea ceremony experience

Summer in Japan

When: July 23, 2024 (TUE)
17:30 to 20:00
Reception starts at 17:20

Where: Workshop Space
Taki Plaza B2F
Admission Fee: 200yen for tea sweets

Enjoy Japanese Summer: tea ceremony in yukata, summer kimono

Why don't you experience traditional Japanese culture?
We hope you will have a relaxing time and enjoy an international exchange opportunity. Yukata can be rented at the event for free. You can bring your own yukata if you have.

浴衣と茶道で日本の夏を満喫!
「浴衣と茶道体験」は「和の心」を体験できる貴重な機会です。
浴衣はレンタルも可ですが、自分の浴衣を持込みも可能です。

Please scan the QR code to sign up by July 18.
QRコードをスキャンして7月18日まで申し込みください。

Number of participants: 15
Participants will be selected by lottery if exceeded 15.
参加人数は15名です。超過した場合は抽選となります。

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Peer Life Coach International Exchange Team

謎解きお散歩 Ikegami

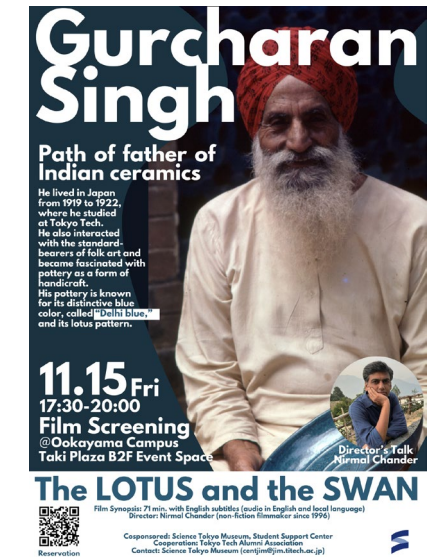
Find seven lucky gods
Enjoy Ihowa Retro Vibe

2025.01.11 SAT
10:00 at Ikegami Stn.

Let's walk around Ikegami while solving puzzles. Join alone or bring your friends. Materials will be prepared in English and Japanese. It is necessary to purchase food and drinks if necessary. Please make sure to get Gashimote (Disaster and Accident Insurance for Students).

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Until Jan 8



Gurcharan Singh

Path of father of Indian ceramics

He lived in Japan from 1919 to 1922, where he studied at Tokyo Tech. He also interacted with the standard-bearers of folk art and became fascinated with pottery as a form of handicraft. His pottery is known for its distinctive blue color, called 'Daini blue', and its lotus patterns.

11.15 Fri
17:30-20:00
Film Screening
@Ookayama Campus
Taki Plaza B2F Event Space

Director's Talk
Nirmal Chander

The LOTUS and the SWAN

Film Synopsis: 21 min, with English subtitles (audio in English and Hindi language)
Director: Nirmal Chander (post-film festival filmmaker since 1996)

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Sponsored: Science Tokyo Museum, Student Support Center
Cooperation: Tokyo Tech Alumni Association
Contact: Science Tokyo Museum (contact@jim.titech.ac.jp)

10) Support for International Exchange



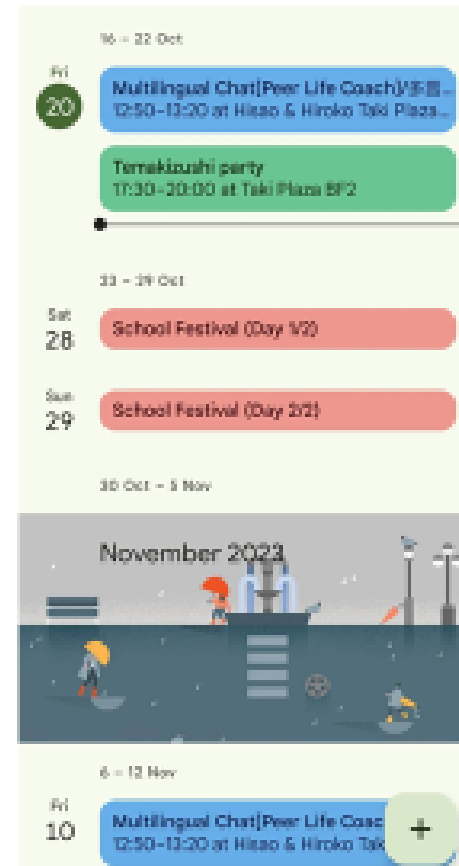
➤ Global Lounge

Global Lounge, near the Taki Plaza B1 entrance, designed for both international students and Japanese students where international exchange events are held.

- Students may freely use this place as a lounge when there are no events.
- Students may watch BBC and browse international magazines.
- Food and drinks are **NOT** permitted except during events.

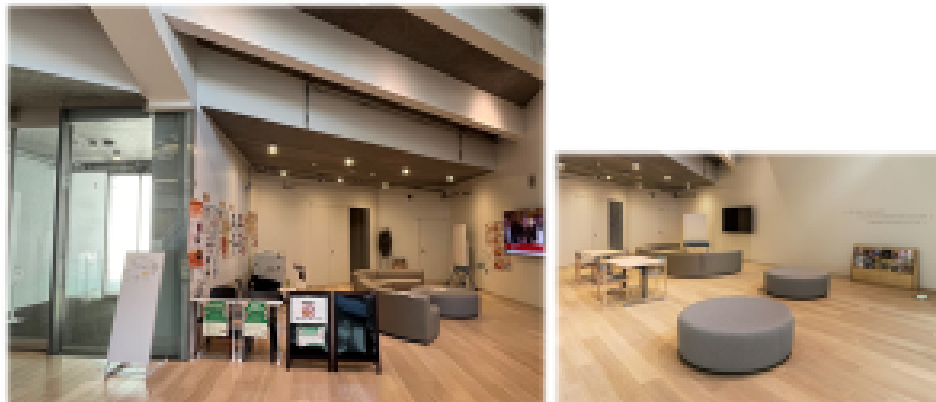
➤ TokyoTech - International Exchange Event Calendar

This Google calendar lets you check international exchange events held by Tokyo Tech students and faculty/staff. Please swipe the QR code and register!



Global Lounge (Taki Plaza B1 Floor)
<https://takiplaza.gakumu.titech.ac.jp>

Opening hours follow the opening hours of Taki Plaza.



English
CAMPUS 2025
TOUR 4.3-4.4

guided
by Peer Life Coach Students!

Let's take a walk around the
Ookayama campus and
learn about the places!!

Pre-reservation



- Pre-reservations required. Held only on days when reservations received.
- Even if it rains, this event will be held.

Ookayama

Taki Plaza, Main Bldg., West Bldg. 1, Library, etc.

WHERE TO MEET

Ookayama : Taki Plaza Entrance

Suzukakedai : Suzukake Hall

Suzukakedai

Library
J2 Bldg.
G-Area
Suzukake Hall
etc.

YOU CAN ASK
SENIOR STUDENTS
ABOUT
CAMPUS LIFE
IN
ENGLISH, JAPANESE



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You can just drop by and chat too!
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Schedule Monday to Thursday, 12:40-13:20
Also open in the afternoon on some days.
Please check the schedule through QR code.

Where Taki Plaza B1F Global Lounge

Language English • Chinese • Korean • Chinese
Please ask the language proficiency to the staff.

Google Calendar



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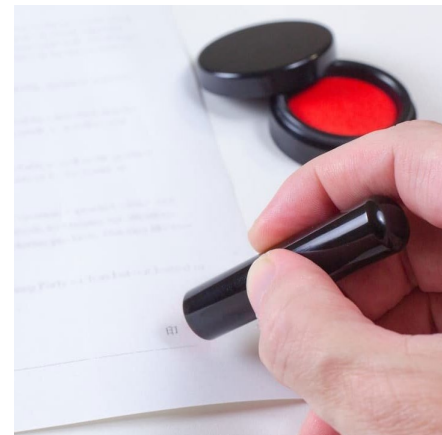
Getting start with your life in Japan

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- Get a SIM card
- Open a bank account
- Find your apartment
- Resident registration at the local ward office

How can I get a **SIM card** in Japan?

- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Residence card (在留カード) with address
- ✓ Cash card or credit card
- ✓ Signature stamp (印鑑)



How can I create a **bank account**?

To pay the tuition, rent, utilities, etc.

- Check the business hour! (Weekdays, 9am-3pm)
- Find the near your home or the campus
- Reservation is needed for opening a bank account.
- Nonresistant for the first half year.
- Bring your signature stamp!!!
- Only in Japanese



ゆうちょ銀行



三井住友銀行

e.g. 大岡山駅前郵便局 (Ōokayama Station Post Office)
三井住友銀行 旗の台支店・雪ヶ谷大塚支店
(SMBC Hatanodai branch and Yukigayaoooduka branch)

How can I find an apartment?

Science Tokyo dormitories



More information on the HP.

HP→Current student

→ Student life and support

→ Dormitories and other accommodation

•In principle, there are two general application periods: spring (applications received in late January, move-in begins in late March) and fall (applications received in late July, move-in begins in late September).

How can I find an apartment?

Find your apartment through the house agent

① Online research

SUUMO



(only in Japanese)

 **realestatejapan**

(Available in English)

② Contact the house agent for the preview

③ Wait for examination, contract signing, pay the initial cost*

④ Order the furniture and move into your new house!!

L: living room D: dining room K: kitchen



Monthly rent/Deposit/Gratitude
Mansion/Apāto

*The overall process could take up
at least 2 weeks.

*The initial cost may cost as 4-5
times as your monthly rent.

Things to do at the local ward office

- Find your local ward office:
Ōta-ku, Meguro-ku, Setagaya-ku, etc.
- Resident Registration
- National Health Insurance Registration



* National Pension System

In Japan, all residents over 20 years old must join the National Pension system. However, people who have not earned any income in Japan during the previous year are **eligible for an exemption**. In which case, please follow the instructions of the ward/city office staff and complete the necessary procedures.

Don't forget your passport, residence card, signature stamp!!

Be positive!
Don't forget to ask for help!
Enjoy your life at Science Tokyo!