The Special Admission for Students under State-sponsored Postgraduate Study Abroad Program by China Scholarship Council (for Entrance in 2020)  
Application Guidelines  
Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences (Doctoral Course)  
The University of Tokyo

This is an official announcement for Chinese students under the Chinese Government’s Postgraduate Study Abroad Program who wish to pursue their doctoral course at Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences (hereinafter GSALS), the University of Tokyo (hereafter UTokyo).

Departments of GSALS which accept applications from students under State-sponsored Postgraduate Study Abroad Program by China Scholarship Council are as follows:

Agricultural and Environmental Biology, Applied Biological Chemistry, Biotechnology, Forest Science, Aquatic Bioscience, Agricultural and Resource Economics, Biological and Environmental Engineering, Biomaterial Sciences, Global Agriculture Sciences, Ecosystem Studies, Animal Resource Sciences, and Veterinary Medical Sciences.

Standard Program Duration:
Department of Veterinary Medical Sciences: 4 years
Other departments: 3 years

Details of the course are as follows:

1. Qualifications: Applicants must fulfill all the following conditions.

(1) Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria for State-sponsored Postgraduate Study Abroad Program by China Scholarship Council (hereafter CSC).

(2) Applicants must meet either of the following:
   a) Those who are expected to obtain a Master’s degree from any of the universities accredited by UTokyo※ by September 23, 2020.
   b) Those who have obtained a Master’s degree and are currently enrolled in first year in Doctoral course of any of the universities accredited by UTokyo※.

(3) To apply for Veterinary Medical Sciences, in addition to (1) and (2) above, applicants must also satisfy of the following conditions either a) or b).
   a) Those who are expected to complete 18 years of school education in the universities accredited by UTokyo* with final course in veterinary medical science, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry by September 23, 2020.
   b) Those who have completed undergraduate course and have a bachelor’s degree in veterinary medical science, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry.

Note 1:
1) For enquiries regarding eligibility criteria etc., contact International Student Section before application.
2) Those who expect to obtain a Master’s degree or its equivalent between September 24 and September 30, 2020 are required to contact International Student Section before January 6, 2020 in order to apply for the course.
2. Time of Admission
September 24, 2020

3. School Fees
Those who pass this Special Admission for State-sponsored Postgraduate Study Abroad Program by CSC are exempted from the payment of fees for entrance examination, admission and tuition during the regular period of study.

4. Application Procedure
The following documents must be received by the prospective supervising professor in GSALS by post not later than January 17, 2020.
* Applicants must confirm his/her research plan and obtain the supervising professor’s approval in advance.
* Refer to Sheet 2 for the fields of study and names of professors available under this program.

1. Application Form: Please print back to back.
2. Field of Study and Study Program
3. Letter of Acceptance from the supervisor in GSALS.
4. Certificates of university degree/diploma of Bachelor. * Copy of university degree/diploma certificates of Bachelor and Master’s course must be certified as true copies by the university.
5. - Those who are expected to complete a Master’s course and obtain a Master’s degree by September 23, 2020 must submit a certificate of expected completion.
   - Those who are currently enrolled in first year in Doctoral course of any of the accredited universities must submit a student registration certificate and a certificate of Master’s degree and graduation certificate.
   * Copy of university degree/diploma certificates of Bachelor and Master’s course must be certified as true copies by the university.
6. Certified academic records/transcript of all applicable undergraduate and graduate course work clearly indicating the GPA grades (or percentage of marks) obtained for the respective courses. Copy of academic records/transcript must be certified as true copies by the university.
7. Summary of the Master’s thesis (or equivalent research papers): If Master’s thesis is not the requirement of the university attended, this should be specifically indicated in the application form, and equivalent research papers must be submitted.
8. TOEFL Report or IELTS Test Report Form: Those unable to submit this should submit other official certificate (in this case, convert its score to TOEFL’s or IELTS’s) or supporting documents of English proficiency issued by the affiliated university.
9. Documents certifying the applicant's nationality, citizenship, or proof of residence in the applicant’s home country: i.e. census register (translated into English), passport (photocopy), or other proof of citizenship.
10. Letter of recommendation: Letters should be addressed to the Dean, GSALS by President or Dean of the applicant's institution. Letters addressed “To whom it may concern” will not be accepted. In addition to this, letters from the applicant's closest advisor/teachers may also be submitted.
11. Passport size photographs (4cm×3cm): Prepare 2 photos taken within 6 months prior to the deadline, with the applicant’s name and nationality written on the reverse side. Attach one of them on the
application form.

Note 2:

a) Supervising professors of GSALS have to submit the proposed research plan after the applicant is selected. Hence applicants must maintain close contact with the research supervisor at GSALS, meet the supervisor if possible and formulate the required research proposal in advance after thorough consideration.

b) All application related documents should be typed in Japanese or English on A4-size paper.

c) Of the above mentioned documents to be submitted, items (1), (2) and (3) must be used the format prescribed by UTokyo.

d) No application will be accepted unless all the above required documents are enclosed. Incomplete applications, and applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

e) Submitted documents will be retained by UTokyo for record, and not be returned to the applicant.

f) Applicants’ personal information may be used for i) academic affairs (school register, guidance, etc.) ii) student support (health care, career support, exemption of admission fee and tuition fees, scholarships, accommodations, library use, etc.), iii) tuition management.

5. Selection Procedures and Notification of Selection

Based on the evaluation of the application documents and interviews, GSALS will select the students, and inform the result to the applicants and supervising professors of GSALS by the end of February 2019.

6. Important Matters

(1) When selected candidates receive the scholarship selection result from CSC, he/she must inform and submit a copy of the certificate by e-mail to the International Student Section of GSALS (ryugaku@ofc.a.u-tokyo.ac.jp) immediately.

(2) If any of his/her application documents are later found to have false information, the enrollment of the student will be cancelled even after he/she has joined GSALS.

(3) The University of Tokyo has established the “The University of Tokyo Security Export Control Regulations” in accordance with Japan’s “Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act”, and rigorously screens potential international students on the basis of these regulations. Please be aware that international applicants who fall under any of the conditions set out in said regulations may not receive permission to enroll at the university or may have their research activities restricted. Details can be obtained from the following website:

Office of Export Control
https://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/adm/export-control/ja/rule.html (Japanese only)

7. Contact Information

Email and other enquiries related to this application

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