

# Academic Year 2025 & 2026

## Master's Program

### Application Guide for the Special Selection for International Students\*

(外国人留学生等特別選考) \*International students include Japanese returnees

### 【October 2025 & April 2026 Admission】

	October 2025 Admission	April 2026 Admission
Deadline for Obtaining Approval from Faculty Members on Your Application	June 27, 2025	September 30, 2025
Online Application Period	10:00 am, July 7–5:00 pm, July 11, 2025 (JST)	TBA
Examination Schedule	Late July–Early September 2025 *Specific dates are informed later.	December 2025–January 2026 *Specific dates are informed later.
Notification of Results	9:00 am, September 5, 2025 (JST)	9:00 am, January 23, 2026 (JST)
Admission Procedures	Mid-September 2025	Mid-March 2026
Date of Admission	October 1, 2025	April 1, 2026

\* The application is accepted through the online system. Please refer to the instructions on the Graduate School of Science website, which is to be posted later.

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html>

\* For detailed information about the “Special Selection for International Students”, contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section. (sci-in@grp.tohoku.ac.jp)

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## ◀ Admission Policy of the Graduate School of Science ▶

Science is an academic discipline, wherein the principles and laws of nature are elucidated and truths are explored, shaped by an insatiable intellectual curiosity about humanity's fundamental questions regarding nature. In addition, science is the foundation of various fields, such as science and technology, humanities, and social sciences, supporting modern society, and is closely related to human life.

The Tohoku University Graduate School of Science works to train world-leading researchers and professionals who are active in various fields of science with humanity and ethics through advanced specialized education based on cutting-edge research.

The Graduate School of Science seeks the following characteristics in students wishing to enroll in the university:

- Those who have the basic academic abilities necessary for scientific research and a strong desire to study at this university
- Those who want to inherit humanity's intellectual heritage, and search for natural truths with freedom of thought and originality to contribute to the advancement of the next generation of natural sciences and technologies.
- Those who have the humanity, ethics, and willpower to become researchers and highly skilled professionals contributing to the development of human culture and society based on scientific thinking.

When accepting students, we conduct a general selection, a special selection for international students, self-recommendation entrance examinations (Master's Program), and a special selection for working adults (Doctoral Program) for each of the six departments with emphasis on whether or not the applicants have the abilities and qualities necessary to conduct research in line with the educational philosophy and goals of the Graduate School of Science.

### (Master's Program)

In the general selection, there are a written examination to evaluate basic academic abilities necessary for research in specialized fields, and an oral examination based on the applicant's research plans, research abilities and motivation for research; particular emphasis is placed on basic academic abilities and research motivation.

In the self-recommendation entrance examination, an oral examination is performed to evaluate the applicant's ability to obtain basic academic knowledge, not only in specialized fields but also in different fields, and to achieve learning and research goals from complex and practical perspectives. Applicants are selected with particular emphasis on basic academic abilities and motivation for learning and research.

In the special selection for international students, oral examinations are conducted to evaluate basic academic abilities necessary for research in specialized fields, logical thinking skills, English skills, research plans and motivation for research, etc., and applicants are selected with particular emphasis on basic academic abilities and research motivation.

Before enrollment, students must have the basic academic skills necessary to acquire advanced knowledge and conduct research in their specialized fields.

## 1. Number of Recruitment at each Department

Department	Int'l Students' Quota	Research Fields
Mathematics	a few	Algebra, Geometry, Analysis, Manifold Theory, Applied Mathematics, Integrative Applied Analysis and Computation
Physics	a few	Theoretical Nuclear and Particle Physics, Experimental Nuclear and Particle Physics, Condensed Matter Physics, Quantum Condensed Matter Physics, Theoretical Condensed Matter and Statistical Physics, Strongly Interacting Many Particle Quantum Systems, Soft Matter and Biophysics, Nuclear Science, High Energy Physics, Crystal Physics, Metal Physics, Solid State Spectroscopy, Nuclear Radiation Physics, Accelerator Science, Strongly Correlated Electron Physics, Quantum Measurement and Functional Sensing
Astronomy	a few	Astronomy, Theoretical Astrophysics, Space Science
Geophysics	a few	Seismology and Volcanology, Physics of Subduction Zones, Meteorology and Atmospheric Dynamics, Physical Oceanology, Atmospheric Trace Gas, Physical Climatology, Satellite Oceanology , Space and Terrestrial Plasma Physics, Planetary Atmosphere Physic, Planetary Radio-Physics
Chemistry	a few	Inorganic and Analytical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Interdisciplinary Chemistry, Advanced Atomic and Molecular Science, Reaction Mechanism and Dynamics, Solid State Chemistry, Biofunctional Chemistry
Earth Science	a few	Geosphere Evolution, Environmental Geography, Geoenvironmental Dynamics, Material Circulation in Geosphere, Earth and Planetary Materials Science, Comparative Solid Planetology, Reaction and Kinetics in the Earth's Interior, Natural History Science, Petrotectonics, Natural Disaster Science

## 2. Eligibility

Applicants eligible for the Special Selection are international students and Japanese nationals who have received formal education at a university outside Japan (Japanese returnee).

[NOTE]

- ① “International students” refers to individuals who do not hold Japanese nationality and have not been granted permanent residency in Japan.
- ② “Japanese returnees” refers to individuals who either hold Japanese nationality or have been granted permanent residency in Japan, and who have received formal education at a university outside Japan.
- ③ Those who apply for the Special Selection must complete certain preparations before submitting their application. For details, please refer to **“4. Important Notes on Application for Special Admission for International Students and Others”** on page 4.

Applicants for the program must fulfill one of the following conditions.

#### October 2025 Admission

- (1) A person who graduated (or will have graduated) from a university by September 30, 2025;
- (2) A person who obtained (or will have obtained) a bachelor's degree from NIAD (National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education) by September 30, 2025;
- (3) A person who completed (or will have completed) a 16-year curriculum of schooling abroad by September 30, 2025;
- (4) A person who completed (or will have completed) a 16-year curriculum of schooling of a foreign country by taking course subjects in Japan through a correspondence education course provided by a school of such foreign country by September 30, 2025;
- (5) A person who completed (or will have completed) a university course of a foreign country (limited to a course upon completion of which the person who completed it is deemed to have completed a 16-year curriculum of schooling of such foreign country) provided by an educational institution in Japan that is recognized, under the schooling system of such foreign country, as a provider of university courses of such foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology by September 30, 2025;
- (6) A person to whom a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree was (or is expected to be) conferred by September 30, 2025 after completing a course whose duration of study was at least three years at a foreign university or other foreign school (limited to foreign universities/schools whose comprehensive conditions such as their education and research activities are assessed by a party certified by the government of the foreign country or a relevant organization, or equivalent foreign universities/schools separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) (including those who completed (or will have completed) such course by taking course subjects in Japan through correspondence education provided by a school of the foreign country, or those who completed (or will have completed) such course at an educational institution that is recognized under the schooling system of the foreign country and is designated as prescribed in the preceding item);
- (7) A person who completed (or will have completed), after the day or by September 30, 2025 designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, a specialized course at a specialized training college (limited to such course whose duration of study was at least four years, and which satisfied other standards set by the Minister) separately designated by the Minister;
- (8) A person designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No.5 of 1953)
- (9) A person who was enrolled in a university for at least three years, who completed (or will have completed) a 15-year curriculum of schooling abroad, who completed (or will have completed) a 15-year curriculum of schooling of a foreign country by taking course subjects in Japan through correspondence education provided by a school of such foreign country, or who completed (or will have completed) a university course of a foreign country (limited to such course upon completion of which the person who completed (or will have completed) it is deemed to have completed a 15-year curriculum of schooling of such foreign country) provided by an educational institution in Japan that is recognized, under the schooling system of such

foreign country, as a provider of university courses of such foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology by September 30, 2025; and furthermore who is found, by the Tohoku University Graduate Schools, to have achieved excellent results in acquiring the prescribed credits;

- (10) A person who enrolled in a graduate school of another university pursuant to the provision of Article 102, Paragraph 2 of the Act and who is regarded by the Tohoku University Graduate Schools as having academic abilities deserving of receiving the education thereof; or
- (11) A person who is deemed, through an individual university entrance qualification assessment, to have academic abilities at least equivalent to those of university graduates by the Tohoku University Graduate Schools, and also who has reached (or will be reached) the age of 22 by September 30, 2025.

#### April 2026 Admission

- (1) A person who graduated (or will have graduated) from a university\* by March 31, 2026;
- (2) A person who obtained (or will have obtained) a bachelor's degree from NIAD (National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education) by March 31, 2026;
- (3) A person who completed (or will have completed) a 16-year curriculum of schooling abroad by March 31, 2026;
- (4) A person who completed (or will have completed) a 16-year curriculum of schooling of a foreign country by taking course subjects in Japan through a correspondence education course provided by a school of such foreign country by March 31, 2026;
- (5) A person who completed (or will have completed) a university course of a foreign country (limited to a course upon completion of which the person who completed it is deemed to have completed a 16-year curriculum of schooling of such foreign country) provided by an educational institution in Japan that is recognized, under the schooling system of such foreign country, as a provider of university courses of such foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology by March 31, 2026;
- (6) A person to whom a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree was (or is expected to be) conferred by March 31, 2026 after completing a course whose duration of study was at least three years at a foreign university or other foreign school (limited to foreign universities/schools whose comprehensive conditions such as their education and research activities are assessed by a party certified by the government of the foreign country or a relevant organization, or equivalent foreign universities/schools separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) (including those who completed (or will have completed) such course by taking course subjects in Japan through correspondence education provided by a school of the foreign country, or those who completed (or will have completed) such course at an educational institution that is recognized under the schooling system of the foreign country and is designated as prescribed in the preceding item);
- (7) A person who completed (or will have completed), after the day or by March 31, 2026 designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, a specialized course at a specialized training

college (limited to such course whose duration of study was at least four years, and which satisfied other standards set by the Minister) separately designated by the Minister;

- (8) A person designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No.5 of 1953)
- (9) A person who was enrolled in a university for at least three years, who completed (or will have completed) a 15-year curriculum of schooling abroad, who completed (or will have completed) a 15-year curriculum of schooling of a foreign country by taking course subjects in Japan through correspondence education provided by a school of such foreign country, or who completed (or will have completed) a university course of a foreign country (limited to such course upon completion of which the person who completed (or will have completed) it is deemed to have completed a 15-year curriculum of schooling of such foreign country) provided by an educational institution in Japan that is recognized, under the schooling system of such foreign country, as a provider of university courses of such foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology by March 31, 2026; and furthermore who is found, by the Tohoku University Graduate Schools, to have achieved excellent results in acquiring the prescribed credits;
- (10) A person who enrolled in a graduate school of another university pursuant to the provision of Article 102, Paragraph 2 of the Act and who is regarded by the Tohoku University Graduate Schools as having academic abilities deserving of receiving the education thereof; or
- (11) A person who is deemed, through an individual university entrance qualification assessment, to have academic abilities at least equivalent to those of university graduates by the Tohoku University Graduate Schools, and also who has reached (or will be reached) the age of 22 by March 31, 2026.

[NOTE]

- ① Those who apply under the eligibility requirement of (6) should contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section by Wednesday, June 11, 2025. Besides, those who apply for the Special Selection for International Students should see **“Section 4: Important note for those who apply for the Special Selection for International Students”**.
- ② Those who apply under the eligibility requirements of (9), (10), or (11) should take a preliminary screening before making a formal application. (See **“Section 3: Preliminary Screening”** and follow the instructions)

### 3. Preliminary Screening

Those who apply under the eligibility requirements of (9), (10), or (11) must undergo the following preliminary screening procedures.

[NOTE]

The Preliminary Screening for the Special Selection for International Students is informed to applicable persons respectively. Therefore, the following information for (1), (2), and (3) is simply the English translation of the original guide in Japanese for your reference.

(1) Preliminary Screening Procedure

- ① Application Deadline: Wednesday, June 18, 2025
- ② Those who wish to apply for the preliminary screening are required to fill out the necessary information in the Google Form in advance.



- ③ After completing the Google Form, please download the Preliminary Screening Application Form from the Graduate School of Science website, fill it out, print it, and submit it by post along with the required documents.

Be sure to send the documents by express registered mail. On the front of the envelope, clearly write in red: "Application Documents for Preliminary Screening for Master's Program (Fall Semester) Enclosed."

Only applications that arrive by Wednesday, June 18, 2025, will be accepted.

Download page: <https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/application.html>

- ④ Applications that lack necessary documents, are incomplete or are otherwise inadequate will not be acceptable.
- (1) The preliminary screening results will be announced via email by Thursday, June 26, 2025.
  - (2) Those who are granted eligibility through the preliminary screening must complete the application procedures during the designated application period. Also, please print out the screening result and bring it with you on the examination day. You may be asked to present it by the examination supervisor or staff, so be prepared to show it upon request.

◆ **Application Documents for Preliminary Screening**

◎Eligibility (9): For a person who was enrolled in a university for at least three years, who completed a (or will have completed) 15-year curriculum of schooling of a foreign country by September 30, 2025 [by March 31, 2026]

A person who applies under this eligibility requirement must submit the following documents for the preliminary screening.

Application Documents	Notes
Preliminary Screening Application Form	Please download the designated format from the website and fill out your educational background and your research field.
Academic Transcript	Latest transcript of your current university. It should be issued by the appropriate office of the institution and should be sealed in an envelope.

Certificate of Enrollment	It should be issued by the appropriate office of the institution
Document showing the courses you have taken in the third year of the university	Copy of the titles of all the courses you (will) have taken, copy of the course syllabus of your major, and an item describing the graduation requirements (in any format)

©Eligibility (10): For a person who enrolled in a graduate school of another university pursuant to the provision of Article 102, Paragraph 2 of the Act

A person who applies under this eligibility requirement must submit the following documents for the preliminary screening.

Application Documents	Notes
Preliminary Screening Application Form	Please download the designated format from the website and fill out your educational background and your research field.
Bachelor Academic Transcript	Academic transcript from the university you enrolled in. It should be issued by the appropriate office of the institution and should be sealed in an envelope.
Certificate of Enrollment	It should be issued by the appropriate office of the institution.

©Eligibility (11): For a person who has not graduated from a university but will reach the age of 22 by September 30, 2025 [by March 31, 2026].

A person who applies under this eligibility requirement must submit the following documents for the preliminary screening.

Application Documents	Notes
Individual Qualification Screening Application Form	Please download the designated format from the website and fill out your educational background and your research field.
Academic Transcript	Latest transcript of the educational institution you last enrolled in. It should be issued by the appropriate office of the institution and should be sealed in an envelope.
Other Reference Materials	Thesis or an equivalent paper

#### 4. Important notes for those who apply for the Special Selection for International Students

Those who apply for this program must find a prospective supervisor by themselves and obtain consent from him/her about the application before applying. Visit the faculty on the department website and contact them directly by email to obtain their consent to study under him/her. After obtaining consent, prepare for the application.

Note that your prospective supervisor needs to inform their department chair of your application by the dates below so that you must obtain the consent by then:

- (1) October 2025 Admission: Friday, June 27, 2025



(2) April 2026 Admission: Tuesday, September 30, 2025

The application period and other relevant information for April 2026 Admission should be separately informed.

## 5. Applicants who need Special Assistance

Applicants who need special assistance or consideration either in taking the examination or after enrollment due to their particular conditions should consult the Graduate Academic Affairs Section (see the last page) by Thursday, June 26, 2025. Please notify them at once so that they have sufficient time to take the necessary measures. Be assured that such a request will in no way influence the outcome of the selection process.

## 6. Application Procedure

(Note that application for the Special Selection for International Students can be accepted only after obtaining consent from your prospective supervisor, as instructed in Section 4.)

### (1) Application Period

- ① Application is accepted via the online system. Please visit the link below for application:

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html>

- ② Online application period:

From 10:00 am on Monday, July 7 to 5:00 pm on Friday, July 11, 2025 (JST)

Please make sure to click the "Complete my application" button within the designated period to complete your application. Your application will not be considered complete unless you click this button.

Also, if the application period ends before you click the button, your application will not be accepted. We recommend completing the process well in advance to avoid any issues.

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The Graduate Academic Affairs Section will notify applicants about the application period and other relevant information.

- ③ Applications that lack necessary documents, are incomplete or are otherwise inadequate will not be acceptable.
- ④ Physics major applicants are requested to select their preferred research or interview group according to the on-screen instructions when entering information into the online application system.
- ⑤ Geophysics major applicants should specify the first and the second interest from the research field from (A), (B), and (C) below in the online application system.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to consult with faculty members in their intended field or area of study prior to submitting their application.

- (A): Seismology and Volcanology, Physics of Subduction Zones

- (B): Meteorology and Atmospheric Dynamics, Physical Oceanography, Atmospheric Trace Gas, Physical Climatology, Satellite Oceanology
  - (C): Space and Terrestrial Plasma Physics, Planetary Atmosphere Physics, Planetary Radio-Physics
- ⑥ Earth Science major applicants should specify one of the research groups from (A), (B), and (C) below in the online application system.
- (A): Geosphere Evolution (Material Circulation in Geosphere), Natural History Science, Geoenvironmental Dynamics, and Natural Disaster Science
  - (B): Environmental Geography, Geoenvironmental Dynamics, and Natural Disaster Science
  - (C): Earth and Planetary Materials Science (Reaction and Kinetics in the Earth's Interior), Petrotectonics, Natural History Science, and Comparative Solid Planetology
- ⑦ Making false or misleading statements on the application may result in the cancellation of admission status.
- ⑧ After submission, declining an application and amendment to written information on the application documents cannot be allowed. The relevant application documents are not returnable and the entrance examination fee is not refundable.
- ⑨ After the application deadline, if your application is accepted, your examination admission ticket will be made available through the online application system. You will be notified via the email address you registered when your examination admission ticket becomes available. Please note that all important information related to the examination will also be sent to your registered email address. Therefore, be sure to enter an accurate and reliable email address at the time of application and check your email regularly after submitting your application.
- ⑩ Please download your examination admission ticket from the online application system, print it out, and be sure to bring with you on the day of the examination.
- (2) Required Application Documents for “the Special Selection for International Students”

The designated forms can be downloaded from the website:

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html>

Application documents are as follows and **the uploading items should be a clear and sharp image.**

No.	Necessary Items	Notes
1	Application Form	Fill in the necessary information via the online application system
2	Photo	<p>Upload the photo image via the online application system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Photo image (height and width ratio of image should be 4:3) clearly showing the upper half of the body, facing front without a hat/cap in front of a plain background, and taken within three months of the application.</li> <li>▪ Acceptable data extension is PNG, JPG, or JPEG; the data size should be less than 20MB.</li> <li>▪ Applicants who plan to wear glasses on the examination day</li> </ul>

		should upload a photo in which they are wearing glasses.
3	Entrance Examination Fee	<p>After paying the fee by ATM or internet banking transaction, upload the payment receipt (or a printout of the transfer details if you use online banking) in PDF via the online application system. The file you upload should identify the "banking institution and branch of the remitter," "account number of the remitter," and "remitter." If the above information is unclear due to functional limitations of Internet banking, please write the above information in the margins of the file you upload.</p> <p>① By ATM and Internet banking transactions  Deposit Amount (金額) : JPY 30,000  Payment Period (納入期間) : From Tuesday, July 1 to Friday, July 11, 2025 (JST) 【The deadline is strictly observed.】  Bank (銀行) : <i>Mitsubishi UFJ Ginko</i> (三菱UFJ銀行)  Bank code (銀行コード) : 0005  Branch (支店) : <i>Wakatake-shiten</i> (わかたけ支店)  Branch code (支店コード) : 809  Account type (預金種別) : <i>Futsuu</i> (普通)  Account number (口座番号) : 2259081  Account holder (口座名義) : <i>kokuritsu daigaku-houjin Tohokudaigaku</i> (国立大学法人東北大学)  Account holder in katakana (カナ) : コクリツダイガクホウジン トウホクダイガク  *Sender's name should be the applicant's name in katakana.  *Please burden bank transfer fee at the applicant's expense.</p> <p>② No need to pay the entrance examination fee for those with the following conditions:  - MEXT (Japanese Government) scholarship students  - Those who are to apply for the entrance examination fee waiver for disaster victims caused by large-scale natural disasters in Japan in the academic year 2025.  For information regarding the exemption of the entrance examination fee for applicants affected by natural disasters such as typhoons or floods, please refer to the following website.  <a href="https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html">https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html</a></p> <p>③ <u>The above-mentioned bank account does not accept international remittances.</u> Those living abroad can pay the fee by credit card. Please contact the Graduate Academic Affairs</p>

		Section in advance to obtain further information.
4	Academic Transcript	<p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p> <p>The academic transcript should be issued by the appropriate office of the institution you are/were enrolled.</p> <p><u>*The original document needs to be submitted at the time of the admission procedure.</u></p>
5	Certificate of (expected) Graduation	<p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p> <p><u>*The original document needs to be submitted at the time of the admission procedure.</u></p> <p>Those who acquired the Bachelor's degree from the NIAD (National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education) should submit a "certificate of Bachelor's Degree". Those who are to apply for the Bachelor's Degree Awarding to NIAD should submit a "Certificate of (expected) Degree Awarding Application" issued by the appropriate office of the junior college or college of technology.</p>
6	Letter of Approval for taking an examination from the employer (For those who are currently working only)	<p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p> <p>Required for those who are currently employed need written permission (in any format) issued by a head of the workplace.</p> <p>*It is required to submit for only those who work for the government, company, etc. at the time of the application.</p>
7	Copy of Passport or Copy of Residence Card issued by the Japanese Government	<p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p> <p>Required for foreign applicants only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Passport: pages with personal information</li> <li>- Residence Card: both front and back sides</li> </ul>
8	Certificate of Research History	<p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p> <p>Required for applicants who completed less than the 16-year curriculum of schooling of a foreign country (in any format)</p>
9	Other Supporting Materials	<p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p> <p>Bachelor/Master's thesis or an equivalent paper</p>
10	Research Proposal (Geophysics major applicants only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Certificate of Academic Qualification (For details, please refer to Appendix 5 of the Geophysics Department.)</li> <li>- Research Proposal after admission in two pages of A4 size paper (in any format). It can be written in either English or Japanese.</li> </ul> <p>Upload the document in PDF via the online application system.</p>

## 7. Examination and Selection Method

The selection of applicants is determined based on the evaluation of the submitted documents and their performance in proficiency examinations of specialized subjects, foreign language (and Japanese language, if necessary), and an oral examination.

## **8. Examination and Selection Schedule**

### **(1) Schedule and Selection Method**

The examination is conducted during the following periods:

[October 2025 Admission] Between late July and early September 2025

[April 2026 Admission] Between December 2025 and January 2026

\*The specific dates for the examination and selection method are informed later after application.

### **(2) Location**

[NOTE] Those living abroad may be able to take the online examination depending on the conditions. Please inquire with your prospective supervisor about the method of the examination.

The examination takes place at the Graduate School of Science, Tohoku University unless notified.  
(Address: 6-3 Aramaki-Aza-Aoba, Aoba-ku, Sendai 980-8578, JAPAN)

\*Detailed information on the examination room is notified individually after the application procedures are completed.

## **9. Announcement of Selection Results**

### **(1) Announcement of Successful Applicants**

The selection results are posted on the Graduate School of Science website on the following dates, and the letter of acceptance becomes available through the online system after the selection results announcement.

[October 2025 Admission] at 9:00 am on Friday, September 5, 2025

[April 2026 Admission] at 9:00 am on Friday, January 23, 2026

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html>

### **(2) Disclosure of the Examination Score**

Applicants who request their examination score to be disclosed should request through the online form below, by uploading a copy of the examination admission card by Thursday, March 19, 2026.

<https://forms.gle/Rxw5d4DsXLK6iSjq9>

Note that the results for both successful and unsuccessful applicants are divided into three levels, and the applicant's result is disclosed in which level the applicant's score falls into. (The extent of the disclosure may vary for each department or course.) The examination score can be disclosed after the examination result notification.

Request Form for Disclosure of Examination Results:



## **10. Admission Procedures**

The enrollment procedure involves submitting documents such as the Written Oath and payment such as the admission fee. Details will be announced separately after the screening results are announced. Also, details regarding enrollment procedures will be provided via the email address registered in the online application system or through the system's messaging function.

[October 2025 Admission] After the selection results announcement

[April 2026 Admission] mid-February 2026

(1) The Admission Procedure Period is scheduled as follows:

[October 2025 Admission] mid-September 2025

[April 2026 Admission] mid-March 2026

(2) Admission Fee and Tuition Fee

① Admission Fee: JPY 282,000 (as of 2025)

② Tuition Fee: JPY 535,800 per year (as of 2025)

(Tuition fee should be paid each semester; JPY 267,900 per semester)

[NOTE] The above amount is subject to change. If there is a revision to the payment amount, the revised amount will apply from the time the change takes effect.

## 11. Miscellaneous Information

### Handling of Personal Information

- ① Personal information held by Tohoku University is handled in strict compliance with the "Act on the Protection of Personal Information (Act No. 57 of 2003)" and other laws and regulations, and in accordance with the "Regulations of Protection of Personal Information at National University Corporation Tohoku University" and other relevant regulations of Tohoku University, to ensure the protection of personal information.
- ② Personal information such as test scores used for admission selection will be used for the following purposes: selection of applicants, admission procedures, pre-entrance education, follow-up surveys, etc., student support after admission (scholarships, tuition exemption, health care, etc.), educational purposes such as academic guidance, tuition collection, and surveys and research (improvement of entrance examinations, surveys and analysis of application trends, etc., for enrolled students, this includes analysis together with personal information after enrollment).
- ③ Work related to entrance examinations and educational affairs may be performed by contractors entrusted by the University (hereinafter referred to as "contractors"). In the event that all or part of the personal information is provided to the contractor, necessary measures will be taken to ensure that the information is handled appropriately in accordance with the "Regulations of Protection of Personal Information at National University Corporation Tohoku University" and other relevant regulations of Tohoku University.

### Educational Data Usage

Data, including personal information, that Tohoku University collects through its education/learning activities and stores on its information systems (hereafter, Educational Data) is analyzed with the latest analytical and A.I. technology and is considered vital to our implementation of evidence-based education. Consequently, the university strives to use Educational Data effectively and appropriately in compliance with our "Statement on Educational Data Usage," "Policy on Educational Data Usage," and "Tohoku University's 8 Principles of Educational Data Acquisition."

After being admitted to the university, students' personal information, such as entrance exam scores etc., is merged with the university's Educational Data.

URL : <https://www.tohoku.ac.jp/japanese/studentinfo/education/08/education0801/>

**【Reference】**

**Graduate School of Science**

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/> (Japanese)

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/english/prospective/> (English)

**Mathematics**

<http://www.math.tohoku.ac.jp/> (Japanese)

<http://www.math.tohoku.ac.jp/english/index-e.html> (English)

**Physics**

<https://www.phys.tohoku.ac.jp/> (Japanese)

<https://www.phys.tohoku.ac.jp/en/> (English)

**Astronomy**

<https://www.astr.tohoku.ac.jp/> (Japanese)

<https://www.astr.tohoku.ac.jp/en/> (English)

**Geophysics**

<https://www.gp.tohoku.ac.jp/> (Japanese)

<https://www.gp.tohoku.ac.jp/index-en.html> (English)

**Chemistry**

<http://www.chem.tohoku.ac.jp/> (Japanese)

<http://www.chem.tohoku.ac.jp/english/> (English)

**Earth Science**

<https://www.es.tohoku.ac.jp/JP/> (Japanese)

<https://www.es.tohoku.ac.jp/EN/> (English)

**Graduate School of Science Online Entrance Examination Information Session**

[https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/godo\\_setsumei/](https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/godo_setsumei/) (Japanese only)

In the case of an earthquake or other unexpected events, updates regarding the examination will be announced on the Graduate School website.

<https://www.sci.tohoku.ac.jp/juken/graduate-admission.html>

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