Comparison Table on the YSEP and ACAP Programs

AY 2024 Qualifying Programs for Exemption from Tuition and Other Fees

Based on Established University Agreements

	YSEP: Young Science and Engineering Researchers Program (Research-Oriented Program)	ACAP: Academic Course Access Program (Course-Oriented Program)
Eligibility	Those with student status at their home university, enrolled in the following programs at the time they start research at Tokyo Tech: ✓ Doctoral program ✓ Master's program ✓ Bachelor's program (at least two and a half years of study)	Those with student status at their home university, enrolled in the following programs at the time they start coursework at Tokyo Tech: ✓ Doctoral program ✓ Master's program ✓ Bachelor's program (at least one year of study) *Except for undergraduate students in their final year and graduate students, an official Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) result or equivalent document is required as students are supposed to take courses conducted in Japanese.
Period of Study	● From 5 months to 1 year ● Starting only in April or October (Starting month of each semester)	● From 1 quarter to 4 quarters (1 year)* ● Start in April, June, October, or December (Starting month of each quarter) *For JASSO scholarship recipients, the period of study must start in either April or October and last from 2 quarters (a semester) to 4 quarters (a year).
Program Outline	1) Study and research under the guidance of an academic supervisor and make a presentation on one's research at the end of the last semester during one's enrollment (required). 2) Engage in at least one of the following activities (required): (a) Take a course. - Recommended Courses for International Exchange Students (TBA) - Japanese language (b) Participate in a monthly event organized by Tokyo Tech (dates TBA). 3) Take elective subjects (optional) Take elective course(s) in the International Graduate Program conducted in English with the permission of the course instructor and academic supervisor.	1) Take course(s) offered at Tokyo Tech (required). (a) Master's and doctoral students can take most courses offered at the graduate level. (b) Undergraduate students in their final year can take courses for undergraduates (almost all of which are conducted in Japanese) and courses for graduates also open to undergraduate-level International Exchange Students (conducted in English). (c) Undergraduate students other than those in their final year can take only undergraduate courses mostly conducted in Japanese. 2) Engage in at least one of the following activities (required): (a) Take a course. - Recommended Courses for International Exchange Students (TBA) - Japanese language (b) Participate in one of the monthly events organized by Tokyo Tech (dates TBA).

Language Requirement	High-level English ability is required for conducting research and communicating with laboratory colleagues. * Submission of official test scores such as TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, etc. is strongly recommended.	High-level English or Japanese ability is required for taking courses. *Submission of official test scores such as TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, etc. is strongly recommended. *An official Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) result or equivalent document is required for undergraduate program students except for those in their final year.
Eligibility for JASSO Scholarship	According to JASSO's regulations. The number of JASSO scholarship recipients is limited, and recipient selection will be made by Tokyo Tech. Monthly Stipend: JPY 80,000	Those starting their enrollment in either April or October and lasting from 2 quarters (a semester) to 4 quarters (a year) According to JASSO's regulations. The number of JASSO scholarship recipients is limited, and recipient selection will be made by Tokyo Tech. Monthly Stipend: JPY 80,000
How to Find an Academic Supervisor at Tokyo Tech	Applicants are required to contact a desired academic supervisor directly, and obtain approval before applying for the program. *Applicants for the Department of Architecture and Building Engineering are required to submit their CV and portfolio via the online application system. As academic supervisors will be arranged by Tokyo Tech, applicants are not allowed to contact potential supervisors directly. *Applicants for the Department of Innovation Science should contact the International Student Exchange Division in advance.	Applicants are required to contact an ACAP Specialized faculty member by referring to the list provided by Tokyo Tech within a set period of time. However, some Departments with many applicants may exceed their limit and will not accept any. *Applicants for the Department of Architecture and Building Engineering are required to submit their CV and portfolio via the online application system. As academic supervisors will be arranged by Tokyo Tech, applicants are not allowed to contact potential supervisors directly. *Applicants for the Department of Innovation Science should contact the International Student Exchange Division in advance.