Research Internship in Summer
Six weeks with world-leading researchers

UTSIP Kashiwa
The University of Tokyo Summer Internship Program in Kashiwa
Established by the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences
The University of Tokyo

JAPAN

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Summer Internship Program

Program Overview

UTSIP Kashiwa is an intensive six-week summer program for non-Japanese undergraduates during the summer following their sophomore or junior years, especially for those who plan to apply to the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences at The University of Tokyo for graduate study.

The program aims to expose undergraduates to world-leading research activities in the field of natural science or social science. Some 30 internships are awarded through a competitive process that includes a scholarship and accommodations.

Participants are assigned to a laboratory in which he/she is interested in working, and will conduct a research project under the guidance of a faculty member or senior graduate students.

Program Dates:

- **Program A**: early June to mid July
- **Program B**: late June to early August

*official dates will be posted online in December*
Eligibility

Applicants must meet all the following criteria:
1) must be in their undergraduate program at a college or university, and will not have completed their BA/BS degree before July of the program year for which they are applying
2) are considering to matriculate to graduate level study at the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences of The University of Tokyo
3) must commit to participating in all UTSIP activities including classes, laboratory work, and events organized by UTSIP

Program

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* Participants are required to deliver an oral presentation regarding their research project on the last day of the program.

* Field trips and Japanese culture events will be organized.
  2013: Hiking at Mt. Tsukuba, Trip to Nikko
  2014: Hiking at Mt. Tsukuba, Field trip to a hydroelectric dam, Calligraphy class
  2015: Field trip to SUNTORY Hakushu Distillery, Kabuki play, Calligraphy class
  2016: Field trip to Yamba Dam construction site, Kabuki play, Calligraphy class
  2017: Field trip to Hakone and Thermal Power Plant, Kabuki play, Calligraphy class
6 weeks
Summer Internship Program
Kashiwa campus
**Participation Fee**  
JPY 50,000  
*Participation fee waiver is available.

**Accommodations**

Most participants are housed in a University Lodge located about 15 min. walking distance from the Kashiwa campus. Each room is air-conditioned; and is furnished with a desk, chair, bed, shower, and toilet.

![International Lodge, Kashiwa Lodge](image1)

![Shopping mall near Kashiwanoha Campus Station](image2)

**Financial Aid**

UTSIP provide accommodations and a scholarship.  

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*amount subject to change

A scholarship is guaranteed for selected participants.

**Travel**

Participants are expected to arrange and purchase their flight to arrive in Japan and check in the assigned accommodations one day before the program start date, and check out one day after the last official program day.
**How to apply**

1. **Program period**
   
   Program A: early June to mid July  
   Program B: late June to early August

2. **List of laboratories**

   Each program has a different list of host laboratories. Check the UTSIP website in late November for the following summer’s options.

3. **Online application**

   Be sure to complete the online application by the deadline in early January.

   http://www.ilo.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/summer_en/how-to-apply

   Once you complete and send the online application you will receive an e-mail to verify that your e-mail is valid. Only after you respond to our verification e-mail will your online application be considered.

4. **Result**

   Successful applicants will be selected through a comprehensive assessment of all submitted application materials. We will inform all applicants of the result by e-mail in February.

As of November 2017
The University of Tokyo has three main campuses: Hongo, Komaba, and Kashiwa. The Graduate School of Frontier Sciences (GSFS) is on the Kashiwa campus 30 km northeast of downtown Tokyo.
What’s GSFS?

GSFS is a graduate school for master and doctoral students established in 1998 through the cooperation of all existing departments of The University of Tokyo. As of September 2016, GSFS has 250 faculty members and approximately 1,400 students.
Activities

Kashiwa Matsuri in Yukata (simple kimono)  Japanese flower arrangement  Calligraphy Class

Field trip to Hakone  Great statue of Buddha in Tsukuba

Field trip to a hydroelectric dam  Rice field in Yamanashi  Final presentation
AYACHI Sahar (Tunisia)

UTSIP was an amazing opportunity to discover Japan while studying in one of the best universities in the world. I met people from all over the world, shared with them experiences like hiking Mt Tsukuba or Kabuki, and I learnt a lot from the lab work.

SARASWATI Gesti (Indonesia)

UTSIP is a good opportunity to get insight into the life in UTokyo. Participants were from various countries and disciplines. Beyond research, there are also day trips to Fuji-sан, Tsukuba, etc. The UTSIP staff was friendly and knowledgeable. Every professor I met really helped me learn.

LEI Chon Lok (China)

You will never find such a well prepared internship and full of enthusiastic people EXCEPT HERE! The UTSIP! Here, you can experience not only the Japanese culture but also the collaboration with frontier researchers in The University of Tokyo.

MUSTAFA Abdullah Mohamed (Egypt)

Getting accepted to the UTSIP program was my dream come true. The program is a priceless opportunity for international students to experience Japanese culture and advanced academic internship at a prestigious institute, The University of Tokyo.