

Information on Applying to the Master Course (Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education)

1. The qualifications for applying under Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education are described in the “Guidelines for Applicants to the 2022 Master Course, Graduate School of Frontier Sciences.”
2. Applicants are required to submit the PDF file of the filled "Master Course Applicant Information Sheet" (applicants should download it from the department’s website) at the time of application by uploading it. Applicants are required to submit an electronic copy of the transcript of academic work stating GPA from the institution previously attended by uploading it at the time of application. The Department of Integrated Biosciences will not conduct a written English test (TOEFL-ITP) this financial year. Applicants are required to submit the electronic copy of their English language competency score report (score sheet) by the deadlines on the following pages. The originals of the score sheet and the transcript should be submitted by post or other means to the Student Affairs Team of the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences at the time of admission procedures.
 - (1) Those who wish to apply under this special selection must declare the intention to do so and the desired laboratory at the time of application.
 - (2) Applicants should contact a faculty member of their desired laboratory before applying. Applicants also should ask a faculty member of the desired laboratory to prepare a “CERTIFICATE OF CONTACT” (downloadable from the department’s website), and upload the PDF file at the time of application.
3. Applicants may not apply for Schedule B when they pass the examination according to Schedule A.
4. Applicant inquiries to faculty members are taken only before the application deadline. After application deadline, the only inquiries taken are procedural questions directed to the Head of the Entrance Exam Committee for the Department of Integrated Biosciences.
5. Due to the retirement, the following faculty members do not recruit students.
 - Professor Dr. Kazuo Yamamoto (Laboratory of Molecular Medicine)
 - Professor Dr. Atsushi Ochiai (Laboratory of Cancer Biology)
 - Professor Dr. Haruhiko Fujiwara (Laboratory of Innovative Biology)
 - Professor Dr. Fugaku Aoki (Laboratory of Bio-resource Regulation)

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Schedule B

1. English

The Department of Integrated Biosciences will not conduct a written English test (TOEFL-ITP) this financial year.

Applicants must submit a Test Taker Score Report (score sheet) of TOEFL-PBT or TOEFL-iBT (the Department of Integrated Biosciences accepts TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition). Applicants are required to submit the electronic copy of their score sheet by uploading it at the time of application or by January 17 (Mon.), 2022. Applicants are also required to submit the original (Institutional Score Report) by post or other means to the Student Affair Team of the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences at the time of admission procedures (see “Guidelines for Applicants to the 2022 Master Course, Graduate School of Frontier Sciences.”). The submitted score sheet must reflect the test taken after February 1, 2020 for Schedule B. If the score sheet is not in time, applicants may contact the Student Affair Team of the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences.

Applicants who apply under Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education are required to submit a TOEFL-iBT score not lower than 75 or a TOEFL-PBT score not lower than 537. Otherwise, they will not be allowed to take an oral examination. We do not use a MyBest™ score but use a Test Date score as a TOEFL-iBT score.

Applicants who have graduated or will graduate from a university or a graduate school in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, or the United States are exempted from taking English examination.

2. Oral examination

The oral examination will be conducted online. Applicants will be inquired about rationale for applying, comprehension of applicants’ current and past studies, and communication capability. Applicants will be inquired also about knowledge of basic life science.

Exam subject: Oral examination

Date: From January 31 (Mon.) to February 1 (Tue.), 2022

Testing location: Online

Remarks: Prepare a personal computer with a camera, a microphone and speakers. Prepare internet environment for the online oral examination. In order to prevent fraudulent activity, the applicant’s room will be checked by taking a 360-degree video with your camera built-in PC, etc. just before starting the oral examination. Applicants cannot use a camera such as that built-in desktop PC to take the online oral examination, if you cannot take a 360-degree video of your room with it. At the time of online oral examination, applicants have to prepare some blank A4 papers or equivalents and writing instruments so that you can write, in addition to your entrance examination admission ticket. Details of the test time and the online test implementation method will be notified by email, etc. by January 21 (Fri.), 2022.

3. Announcement of prospective candidates

The formal announcement of acceptance takes place after the completion of the entrance exams of all GSFS departments. The Department of Integrated Biosciences makes its own announcement of “prospective candidates” as a provisional decision. This year, the department will announce the prospective candidates by posting their ID numbers on the department’s website at noon on February 4 (Fri.), 2022. The interviews of prospective candidates will not be conducted.

5. Applicant screening fee: 30,000 JPY

6. October admission

In Schedule B, new students are generally expected to enroll in April 2022, but accepted applicants who wish to enroll in October 2022 can request to have this requirement waived, provided that they have already earned an undergraduate degree or will do so by September 30, 2022. Applicants are not allowed to change their planned month of enrollment for their convenience after submitting their application. Applicants who wish to enter in October 2022 need to declare this intention at the time of application.