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

## **XOnly applicants for Schedule B should refer to this document.**

- 1. The applicant eligibility for Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education is described in the "Guidelines for Applicants to the 2023 Master's Course, Graduate School of Frontier Sciences".
- 2. Applicants must upload the documents to be submitted through the online application site during the application period specified in "Guidelines for Applicants to the 2023 Master's Course, Graduate School of Frontier Sciences". In addition to the documents mentioned in the guidelines, Applicants are required to submit "CERTIFICATE OF CONTACT", "Master's Course Applicant Information Sheet" (available on the department's website), and an electronic copy (PDF file) of the transcript of academic work from an institution previously attended.
- 3. Applicants must contact a faculty member in their desired laboratory before applying. Applicants must ask a faculty member in their desired laboratory to prepare a "CERTIFICATE OF CONTACT" and upload the PDF file at the time of application.
- 4. Applicants are required to submit the PDF file of the filled "Master's Course Applicant Information Sheet" at the time of application by uploading it.
  - (1) Those who wish to apply under this special selection must declare the intention.
  - (2) Those who wish to apply under this special selection must declare the desired laboratory at the time of application.
  - (3) Due to retirement, the following faculty members do not recruit students.
    - Professor Dr. Haruhiko Fujiwara (Laboratory of Innovational Biology)
    - Professor Dr. Fugaku Aoki (Laboratory of Bio-resource Regulation)
    - Professor Dr. Hiroshi Kataoka (Laboratory of Molecular Recognition)
    - Professor Dr. Atsushi Tsuda (Laboratory of Advanced Marine Biosciences)
    - Professor Dr. Toshi Nagata (Laboratory of Advanced Marine Biosciences)
  - (4) Those who wish to be exempted from the English examination must declare it (for details, see 7. in this page).
- 5. Applicants are required to submit an electronic copy of the transcript of academic work stating the GPA from the institution previously attended by uploading it at the time of application. The originals should be submitted at the time of the admission procedure.
- 6. Applicants cannot apply for Schedule B when they pass the examination according to Schedule A.
- 7. The subjects for the entrance exam are English and oral exam. For the English exam, applicants must submit TOEFL Score Reports. Applicants who apply under Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education are required to submit a TOEFL-iBT score not lower than 75. Otherwise, they will not be allowed to take an oral examination. We do not use a MyBest<sup>TM</sup> 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 may be exempted from taking the English examination upon document screening.
- 8. In Schedule B, new students are generally expected to enroll in April 2023, but accepted applicants who wish to enroll in October 2023 can request to have this requirement waived if they have already earned an undergraduate degree or will do so by September 30, 2023. Applicants who wish to enter in October 2023 need to declare this intention at the time of application. Applicants are not allowed to change their planned month of enrollment for their convenience after submitting their application. Applicants are not allowed to change their planned month of enrollment for their convenience after

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9. Applicant inquiries to faculty members are taken only before the application is closed. After the application is closed, the only inquiries taken are procedural questions directed to the Head of the Entrance Exam Committee for the Department of Integrated Biosciences.

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### 1. English

Applicants must submit an electronic copy of a Test Taker Score Report of TOEFL-iBT® or TOEFL-iBT® Home Edition (former TOEFL iBT® Special Home Edition) by uploading it at the time of application or by January 16 (Mon.), 2023 (Note that TOEFL-iBT® Home Edition can take more time to issue a score report than expected). Applicants are also required to submit the Institutional Score Report (Official Score Report) to the Student Affair Team of the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences before the admission. For the submission of these score reports, please refer to the Guidelines for Applicants of Graduate School of Frontier Sciences. The submitted score report must reflect the test taken after February 1, 2021 for Schedule B. If the score sheet is not in time, applicants may contact the Department of Integrated Biosciences Entrance Exam Committee.

#### 2. Oral examination

Date: January 30 (Mon.) to February 1 (Wed.), 2023 (any one of these days)

Testing location: Online

Notes: The oral examination will be conducted online. Applicants will be inquired about the rationale for applying, comprehension of applicants' current and past studies, and communication capability. Applicants will be inquired also about knowledge of basic life science and biology. Details of the test time and the online test implementation method will be notified by email, etc. on January 20 (Fri.), 2023.

Prepare a personal computer with a camera, a microphone and speakers. Prepare an 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 a camera built-in PC, etc. just before starting the oral examination. Applicants cannot use a camera such as a built-in desktop PC to take the online oral examination, if they cannot take a 360-degree video of their room with it.

### 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. The URL of the announcement of the prospective candidates will be notified by e-mail until noon on February 3 (Fri.), 2023.