

# **Application Guide for Tohoku University Future Global Leadership (FGL) Undergraduate Courses (October 2020 Enrollment)**

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## **1. Tohoku University**

### **(1) Philosophy & Mission**

With over 100 years of history and distinguished traditions, Tohoku University has developed excellence in education and research under its principles of "Research First," "Open Doors," and "Practice-Oriented Research and Education" since its establishment in 1907. The university will maintain these traditions while looking toward even more dramatic progress in the future. As a world-leading center of education and research, it will contribute greatly to the human race by grappling with the difficult and complex issues facing the 21st century.

Tohoku University will focus its efforts of its faculties, graduate schools, and research institutes to foster ethical international leaders who will carry humanity into the future, while expanding its globally renowned creative research for the benefit of society at large.

### **(2) Characteristics**

#### 1) Three Foundational Ideals

"Research First," "Open Doors," and "Practice-Oriented Research and Education" —soon after its founding, Tohoku University established this set of unique ideals, the substance of which it is continually developing in response to our changing times.

#### 2) Rich Educational Environment

Tohoku University has numerous research organizations and facilities, primarily comprising 10 undergraduate schools, 15 graduate schools, 3 professional graduate schools, and 6 research institutes. Research institute staff also participate in educational activities (there are approx. 3,000 instructors; enrollment limits are approx. 2,400 for undergraduates, 2,700 for graduate students).

#### 3) Research University

Tohoku University is a school that continuously produces numerous internationally recognized research results and concertedly pushes forward with leading-edge research and education.

#### 4) Active Regional/Industrial-Academic Ties

The university is actively working to expand its diverse regional and industrial ties.

#### 5) Globalizing Education and Research

Among Japan's national universities, Tohoku University is one of the top schools in terms of agreements with overseas universities. It is actively expanding exchange in education and research. The university strives to foster globally active individuals through strong support for studying abroad by Japanese students, as well as recruitment of numerous international students.

### **(2) Qualities of our Students**

In keeping with the above, the Tohoku University undergraduate curriculum enables students to achieve the following goals:

- 1) obtain knowledge in their specialized fields and a multifaceted perspective based on an interest in and broad knowledge of academia in general
- 2) receive the education necessary to become accomplished adults, able to contribute to society using expertise specific to their fields of specialization
- 3) develop the awareness and vision needed to assume leadership/central roles in the global community, in addition to fundamental abilities

Our undergraduate education offers a curriculum that creates organic links between General Education Subjects, which foster broad knowledge and sophistication, and Specialized Subjects, which confer basic knowledge of specialized fields. Active learning is promoted both in and outside the classroom in order to nurture autonomous learning by the students.

Tohoku University seeks students who sympathize with these values, and possess the following desires:

- the desire to make outstanding contributions as researchers by seriously addressing the issues facing humanity in the 21st century

- the desire to significantly contribute to the development of society as high-level professionals with abundant knowledge and leadership,

and the strength of will, intense academic curiosity and an appropriately high level of academic abilities to realize these desires. As to what constitutes a high level of academic abilities, we expect candidates to have enrolled, and obtained excellent grades, in a wide range of high school subjects, and to possess logical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical abilities, in addition to abundant creativity, inventiveness, expressiveness, and communication skills. Students are also expected to be ethical and display leadership in their independent academic pursuits while maintaining a collaborative attitude when working with their peers.

## **2. Future Global Leadership (FGL) Undergraduate Courses (AMC, IMAC-U, AMB)**

### **(1) About FGL**

Tohoku University established FGL's three undergraduate courses to attract applicants from around the world who have excellent basic academic abilities and possess a global view and the desire to be internationally active.

As classes in these courses will be conducted in English, Japanese ability will not be required in the entrance examination. Because students can confidently study on the FGL courses without any knowledge of Japanese, we hope it will attract many students who have an interest in Japan and a desire to study at Tohoku University.

All courses are conducted by distinguished teaching staff and provide environments where students can learn everything from the basics of their field to the very latest knowledge. Students who fulfill the course requirements will be awarded the bachelor degree offered by that course.

The curriculum includes Japanese language classes. Some classes can be taken together with Japanese students. Moreover, students who acquire a high enough Japanese proficiency will be able to take the same classes that Japanese students take.

Exchange activities will be provided outside of the classroom too, offering many chances to learn about Japanese language and culture. Tohoku University actively conducts career support for students to help them continue to the graduate program, or find employment after graduation. This gives them opportunities to begin an active career in Japan and abroad.

### Special Financial Support for FGL Students

- 1) Of those who indicate that they wish to receive a scholarship at the time of their application, 8 applicants (total for the 3 courses) who achieved excellent scores on the entrance examination and meet the criteria specified by MEXT, will be recommended for the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship by Tohoku University.
- 2) Except for recipients of the scholarship mentioned in 1), accepted international students who indicate that they wish to receive a scholarship at the time of their application will be awarded the President Fellowship for Undergraduate International Students.
- 3) Except for recipients of the scholarship mentioned in 1), international students who achieved excellent scores on the entrance examination, are of excellent character, and for whom studying poses economic hardships, will be eligible for the MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students. However, applicants who took the 2nd stage screening in Japan and/or are already living in Japan are not eligible.
- 4) All accepted applicants are eligible for two years of housing at a University House dormitory.

## **(2) Admission Policy for the FGL Undergraduate Courses (AMC, IMAC-U, AMB)**

### **Faculty of Science (AMC) Admission Policy**

Science is the most basic field in terms of ascertaining how the natural world works. It includes a wide range of areas, from the microscopic world of subatomic particles, atomic nuclei, atoms, and molecules, to the macroscopic world of life, the Earth and the cosmos.

The Faculty of Science has seven departments and five affiliated research facilities. As one of Japan's foremost scientific research centers, the Faculty of Science's mission is to foster excellent researchers who will be pioneering figures in the 21st century and leaders who will use their scientific education in various fields. We are looking for students who have a strong interest in science, flexible ideas and intellects, and excellent problem-solving skills. They should also possess intellectual curiosity and the desire for personal development.

#### *Advanced Molecular Chemistry Course (AMC)*

The Advanced Molecular Chemistry Course provides a curriculum taught in English for students from diverse nations. It aims to foster individuals who will be capable of acting as international leaders in materials science, a field that is critical to creating new, world-changing technologies. We are seeking international students who understand the course's aims and have a strong desire to study in Japan. The written test will assess basic academic skills and English proficiency. The interview will evaluate the candidate's level of academic motivation, language ability, and communication skills.

### **School of Engineering (IMAC-U) Admission Policy**

The School of Engineering fosters highly creative individuals who can think for themselves and who will use their broad perspective and deep knowledge of humans and nature to lead development and innovation in science and technology in the 21st century.

We are seeking students with excellent academic records and a strong desire to study at the School of Engineering, a deep interest in human society, the ability to confront the unknown, the capacity to think about things logically, the patience to develop theories and applications for themselves, a deep concern for others, and the ability to assume leadership in society.

#### *International Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Course (IMAC-U)*

The International Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Course (IMAC-U) seeks students who will pursue science and technology that improves peoples' lives, while being active both in Japan and abroad via exchange with students from various countries. The application screening will consist of an evaluation of the academic records from the candidate's previous schools, university entrance examination score, English proficiency test score, and a written test that will assess basic physics and mathematics proficiency, logical thinking skills, and articulation. In addition, the interview will evaluate the candidate's knowledge of science and technology, English proficiency, and enthusiasm and initiative towards learning/research.

### **Faculty of Agriculture (AMB) Admission Policy**

The Faculty of Agriculture pursues creative basic and applied research in scientific fields, such as food, health, and environment that are closely connected to the existence and well-being of the human race. The goals of this faculty are to provide students with specialized knowledge, technical expertise, and comprehensive thinking skills. We want to encourage them to have an international perspective and be active in global society. We are seeking applicants who have strong interest and motivation regarding research in the above-mentioned fields, who will improve their individual abilities at this faculty, and who have the potential to become community leaders working autonomously to solve and boldly confront future problems.

#### *Applied Marine Biology Course (AMB)*

The Applied Marine Biology Course (AMB) seeks applicants who have obtained solid basic academic skills overseas, and will act as leaders by independently solving problems related to marine biology in an international context. Candidates will be evaluated based on a screening of their transcripts in fundamental academic areas (English, mathematics, science), and an interview to determine their knowledge/motivation regarding marine biology, logical thinking ability, and communication skills.

### (3) FGL Program Capacities

The recruitment capacities for new students in each bachelor degree course are as follows.

Faculty	Division / Department	Course	Capacity (see *1)
Faculty of Science	Department of Chemistry	Advanced Molecular Chemistry Course (AMC)	About 10
School of Engineering	Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	International Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Course (IMAC-U)	About 15 (see *2)
Faculty of Agriculture	Department of Applied Biosciences	Applied Marine Biology Course (AMB)	About 10

\*1: After admissions notification, if the number of successful applicants who complete admissions procedures is less than the program's capacity, additional applicants may be admitted from the waiting list.

\*2: Capacity given for the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering includes applicants from other examination divisions.

### 3. Important Dates for Applications, Screenings and Admissions

Application Submission Period	<b>Monday, December 2 at noon JST to Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at noon JST</b>
Announcement of 1st Stage Screening Outcome	<b>Monday, February 3, 2020 at 10:00 AM JST</b>
2nd Stage Examination	<b>One or two days during Monday, March 9 to Friday, March 13, 2020 *For India only, one or two days during Monday, February 17 to Friday, February 21, 2020</b>
Announcement of Successful Applicants	<b>Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 10:00 AM JST</b>
Admission Procedures	<b>Thursday, April 2 at 10:00 to Friday, April 10, 2020 at 8:00 AM JST</b>

### 4. Eligibility for FGL

#### (1) Basic Qualifications

You must fulfill, or expect to fulfill by **September 30, 2020**, (A) and (B) below, and also any one of 1), 2), or 3) of the qualifications in (C).

- (A) You are not a Japanese citizen (if you are not a Japanese citizen but hold a Permanent Residence permit, you cannot apply).
- (B) The total amount of education you received in a school conforming to the Japanese educational system, whether in Japan or overseas, is less than six years.

(C)	1)	<p><b>You have completed a 12-year curriculum of school education outside Japan, or have an equivalent education as specified by the Minister of Education of Japan.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You must have completed a curriculum deemed equivalent to that of a Japanese high school.</li> <li>• If you underwent primary education starting at six years of age or younger, or completed a 12-year curriculum in 11 years or fewer (e.g. because you were moved ahead, or graduated early), please contact us before applying.</li> </ul>
	2)	<p><b>You fulfill any one of a, b, c, d, or e below.</b></p> <p>a. You have an International Baccalaureate Degree granted by the Swiss International Baccalaureate Organization.</p> <p>b. You have an Abitur qualification, which qualifies you to enroll in a university in the Federal Republic of Germany.</p> <p>c. You have a Baccalaureat qualification, which qualifies you to enroll in a university in the French Republic.</p> <p>d. You have a General Certificate of Education, Advanced Level, which qualifies you to enroll in a university in the United Kingdom</p> <p>e. You have completed a 12-year curriculum at an educational institution whose educational activities have been certified by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), or Council of International Schools (CIS).</p>
	3)	<p><b>Your academic abilities are judged to be equal or superior to those of a high school graduate upon individual screening of qualifications by Tohoku University and you are at least 18 years old.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When applying under this provision, you must contact us by e-mail at least one month prior to the application deadline of your Application Round.</li> </ul>

(Reference) List of educational institutions recognized under Basic Qualifications 2)-e above (as of March 2019).

School Name	Location	Accreditation / Organization
Hokkaido International School	Hokkaido	WASC
Tohoku International School	Miyagi	WASC
Colombia International School	Saitama	WASC
Tsukuba International School	Ibaraki	CIS
St. Mary's International School	Tokyo	WASC, CIS
Seisen International School	Tokyo	CIS
International School of the Sacred Heart	Tokyo	WASC, CIS
American School in Japan	Tokyo	WASC
Christian Academy in Japan	Tokyo	WASC
Canadian International School	Tokyo	WASC
New International School of Japan	Tokyo	CIS
Aoba-Japan International School	Tokyo	CIS
Tokyo YMCA International School	Tokyo	WASC
K. International School Tokyo	Tokyo	CIS
Saint Maur International School	Kanagawa	CIS
Yokohama International School	Kanagawa	CIS
Horizon Japan International School	Kanagawa	WASC, CIS
Nagoya International School	Aichi	WASC, CIS
International Christian Academy Nagoya	Aichi	WASC, ACSI
Kyoto International University	Kyoto	ACSI
Osaka International School	Osaka	WASC
Canadian Academy	Hyogo	WASC, CIS
Marist Brothers International School	Hyogo	WASC
Hiroshima International School	Hiroshima	CIS
Fukuoka International School	Fukuoka	WASC
Okinawa Christian School International	Okinawa	WASC, ACSI
Zion Christian Academy International	Okinawa	ACSI
World Mission Christian School	Okinawa	ACSI

**(2) Requirements for Each Course**

You must fulfill the requirements of both (A) and (B) below.

\*Caution: If you are unable to submit a test score certificate showing the subjects taken and scores by the submission deadline, we will be unable to accept your application.

**(A) Academic Qualifications**

Submit scores for the subject tests required by your desired course. If taking the EJU, your score must fulfill the requirements of your desired course.

Required Subjects for Each Course:

Course	Examination	Required Subjects and/or Score
AMC	IB	Mathematics HL, Chemistry HL and Physics SL/HL
	SAT Subject Tests	Mathematics Level 2, Physics, and Chemistry
	GCE A Level, International A Level	Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry
	Cambridge Pre-U	Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry
	ACT (with/without writing)	Mathematics and Science
	AP	Mathematics (Calculus), Physics, and Chemistry
	EJU	Mathematics Course 2; 150 points or higher, Physics and Chemistry. Total for Physics and Chemistry combined must be 150 points or higher.
	National Standardized Examinations (see separate list of exams)	Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry
IMAC-U	IB	Mathematics HL, Physics HL and Chemistry SL/HL
	SAT Subject Tests	Mathematics Level 2, Physics, and Chemistry
	GCE A Level, International A Level	Mathematics, Chemistry, and Physics
	Cambridge Pre-U	Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry
	ACT (with/without writing)	Mathematics and Science
	AP	Mathematics (Calculus), Physics, and Chemistry
	EJU	Mathematics Course 2 and Physics and Chemistry. Total for 3 subjects must be 300 points or higher.
	National Standardized Examinations (see separate list of exams)	Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry
AMB	IB	Mathematics HL, and any two from Physics HL, Chemistry HL, and Biology HL
	SAT Subject Tests	Mathematics Level 2, and any two from Chemistry, Physics, and Biology E/M
	GCE A Level, International A Level	Mathematics, and any two from Physics, Chemistry, and Biology
	Cambridge Pre-U	Mathematics, and any two from Physics, Chemistry, and Biology
	ACT (with/without writing)	Mathematics and Science
	AP	Mathematics (Calculus); any two from Chemistry, Physics, and Biology
	EJU	Mathematics Course 2 and any two from Physics, Chemistry, and Biology. Total for 3 subjects must be 260 points or higher.
	National Standardized Examinations (see separate list of exams)	Mathematics and Science (any two from Physics, Chemistry, and Biology)

## Notes on IB, GCE A Level, International A Level, and Cambridge Pre-U

- You may also submit your predicted grades.
- If you are accepted based on predicted grades, you will be considered "conditionally accepted." To be formally accepted, you must submit proof that you have obtained a diploma, and your final exam scores, by Monday, August 31, 2020. Be aware that your final scores may result in your conditional acceptance being withdrawn.
- AS Level scores are also required for GCE A Levels. O Levels are not accepted.

## Notes on EJU

- In general, you should take the examination the year before you want to enroll or later.
- The EJU may be taken in either Japanese or English. (Japanese language test not required.)

Table: Accepted National Standardized Examinations

Country	Examination	Note
China	The National College Entrance Exam (GAOKAO)	*You may also submit your predicted grades/scores. In that case, please contact Tohoku University in advance and receive permission. Submit your predicted grades/scores bearing your school principal's official stamp or signature.
China	General Senior Secondary Graduation Examination (Huikao)	*If you are accepted based on predicted grades/scores, you will be considered "conditionally accepted." To be formally accepted, you must submit your final scores by Monday, August 31, 2020. Be aware that your final scores may result in your conditional acceptance being withdrawn.
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Advanced Level Exam (HKALE, HKDSE)	
Korea	College Scholastic Ability Test (CSAT)	
Taiwan	General Scholastic Ability Test (GSAT)	
Malaysia	Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (STPM)	
Malaysia	Unified Examination Certificate	
Malaysia	Matriculation Programme Exam	
Vietnam	University Enrolling Examination (UEE)	
Thailand	Ordinary National Education Testing (O-NET)	
Thailand	GAT/PAT	
India	Class XII Examinations (CBSE/CISCE or state examination boards)	
Nepal	Higher Secondary Education Board (HSEB)	
Egypt	Thanawiya Amma Examination	
Germany	Abitur	
France	Baccalaureate	

**(B) English Proficiency**

You must fulfill any one of (I) or (II) below.

(I) Submit a score from the TOEFL iBT® TEST (TOEFL ITP® TEST is not accepted) or IELTS Academic. Your score must be equal or superior to that required by your desired FGL course.

Course	Required Score
AMC, IMAC-U, AMB	TOEFL iBT: 79 or higher; IELTS: 6.0 or higher



\*Score must be from a test dated October 2018 or later.

\*We only accept TOEFL iBT® scores from a single test date, not MyBest™ scores.

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(II) If you attended middle/high schools where the primary language of teaching is English for four years or longer in one of the countries specified below, you may present a document to that effect from your school's principal or counselor in place of the test scores described in (I) above.

Applicable Countries: America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, UK, Ireland, the Caribbean Islands (not all countries in the Caribbean Islands are eligible)

<b>IMPORTANT</b>
We accept all exam results electronically via the T-cens online application system. Consequently you do NOT need to ask the organizations/institutions that run your examinations to send original result certificates directly to us by postal mail. However, should you wish to do so, Tohoku University's registration codes are as follows.
SAT: Code 7666; Tohoku University Future Global Leadership ACT: College Code 7083; Tohoku Univ. FGL Program TOEFL - DI Code 7477; Tohoku University FGL Undergraduate Admissions
Documents received through postal mail will not be returned.

**(3) Requests for Consideration on Screening and Studies**

Consulting is available for applicants who have special needs related to their screening and studies. If you have a physical disability, or wish to discuss issues which may have impacted past test scores etc., please submit the following information to us at least two months before the application deadline. No special form required. Making such inquiries will not negatively affect your application in any way. However, please understand that we may be unable to meet some requests.

*Required information:*

- Your name, address, phone number
- Name of high school etc. from which you graduated/will graduate
- Description of considerations you require regarding your screening and/or studies
- Any special day-to-day needs you have
- Other reference materials (if you are currently undergoing medical treatment, please send a copy of your doctor's diagnosis)

**5. Application Procedures**

**(1) Application Round**

Applications will be accepted during the following period. Late applications will NOT be accepted.

Application Period
<b>Monday, December 2 at noon JST to Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at noon JST</b>

**(2) Paying the Examination Fee**

The following examination fee must be paid as described below during the above Application Round.

Examination Fee: JPY 5,000.

You must pay any bank transfer/handling fees. Payment must be made by credit card. You can use a credit card belonging to your parent/guardian. Please use e-shiharai.net to make payment. Please see the following URL for detailed instructions.

[https://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/FGL\\_application-fee\\_payment-instruction.pdf](https://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/FGL_application-fee_payment-instruction.pdf)

The examination fee is nonrefundable once your application has been accepted. However, if your application is not accepted, or you accidentally pay the examination fee twice, it will be refunded to the credit account you used to pay it, via your credit card company, minus the transfer fee about three months after the application deadline. This refund cannot be performed if you cancel the card you used to pay, or used a prepaid card that is not attached to an account.

### (3) Online Application Procedures

**Applications are accepted only through the T-cens online application system.**

#### (A) Outline of the Procedures

- i. First, you will access T-cens from <https://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/degree/undergraduate-english/> and create a temporary registration. To do this, go to the FGL website and click on the T-cens banner (shown below). Enter your e-mail address, and then click the CREATE button.
- ii. You should receive a confirmation e-mail from T-cens. T-cens notifications will come by e-mail from T-cens.support@applicant.insc.tohoku.ac.jp. Please whitelist this address in your junk-mail filter. Click on the URL in the confirmation e-mail. You will be taken to a form where you will enter your basic personal information. Click on the REGISTER button to complete your registration.
- iii. You will receive another e-mail containing your login ID and password for T-cens.
- iv. Use the newly issued ID and password to log in to T-cens. Follow the on-screen instructions to enter your applicant information. After paying the examination fee (see "(2) Paying the Examination Fee" above), upload the required documents, and complete the T-cens application procedures by the submission deadline. For details on the required information and documents see "(B) Information/Documents" below.

**Your application will only be accepted if you complete the application procedures through T-cens during the Application Period.**

- v. If we have any questions about your application, admissions staff will contact you via T-cens. Please follow their instructions.
- vi. If your application is accepted, an examination number will be sent to you from T-cens.



#### (B) Required Information/Documents

##### *Required Information*

1) Desired Course	Select the course you wish to enter. *You can change the course before submitting your application, but not after.
2) Applicant Information	Enter your name, date of birth, gender, nationality, and contact information. *In your contact information, please give a mailing address, name, phone number, and e-mail address at which you can reliably receive communications and notifications from Tohoku University. *If your current address differs from your permanent address, please enter both. Posted items will be sent to your current address.
3) Academic Record	Enter information for all schools you have attended from elementary school to present.
4) Current Status	If you had already graduated from high school at the time of your application and are not attending any school now, please describe what you are currently doing.
5) Basic Qualifications	Confirm your basic qualifications to apply. *Check applicable items listed in 4.-(1) Basic Qualifications.
6) Requirements (Part 1)	Academic Qualification Examination or Standardized National Examination *Refer to part (A) of 4.(2) Requirements for Each Course, select the name of the exam you took, as shown in the tables, and enter scores or grades.

7) Requirements (Part 2)	English Proficiency Test *Refer to part (B) of 4.(2) Requirements for Each Course, and enter the date you took the test and your score in the appropriate fields.
8) Location of 2nd Stage Screening	Select the location (country, city) for your 2nd Stage Screening. We cannot accept requests to change the locations designated by the university.
9) Scholarship Preference	Check yes/no for MEXT Scholarship, President Fellowship, and MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students. Only applicants with "Student" resident status are eligible to apply. Also explain your reason for requiring a scholarship. This answer will not affect the admission decision.
10) Dormitory Preference	Indicate whether or not you want a room at a University House dormitory.
11) Other Important Information	Enter any other important information here (e.g., special considerations).
12) Other Universities	If you are applying to any other universities, please note them here. This answer will not affect the admission decision.

*Required Documents: Please upload the following documents via T-cens.*

- Also upload Japanese or English translations for any documents written in languages other than English.
- All file names for uploaded documents must be exactly the same as those indicated on T-cens.
- After uploading the required documents, please pay the examination fee.

1) Photograph	Must have been taken within three months of your application. No hats. Photo must be taken in front of a plain background. Please use a passport photo or similar.
2) Statement of Reasons for Applying	Essay on your reasons for applying to your chosen FGL course. Please download the form from the FGL website or T-cens, and write about 400 words in English.
3) Proof of Graduation / Enrollment Certificate	If you are applying under item (C)-1) of the Basic Qualifications: Submit proof of graduation or certificate of expected graduation issued by your high school. If you are applying under item (C)-2) of the Basic Qualifications: Submit the certificate issued by the relevant accrediting institution (e.g. International Baccalaureate Degree etc.)
4) Academic Transcript	If you are applying under item (C)-1) of the Basic Qualifications: Submit an academic transcript issued by your high school etc. If you are applying under item (C)-2) of the Basic Qualifications: Submit an academic transcript issued by the relevant accrediting institution. Any subject names shown as codes or abbreviations must be accompanied by explanations/descriptions. *Transcript should include an explanation of the grading criteria and show your GPA. *If you were allowed to skip years or graduate early, provide an explanation of the circumstances.
5) Certificates for Application Requirements (Part 1)	*See 4.(2) (A).
6) Certificates for Application Requirements (Part 2)	*See 4.(2) (B).

7) Proof of Nationality	Document issued by the authorities of your country proving your nationality, or a copy of your passport (page showing your name, date of birth, and nationality). *If you already live in Japan, also submit a copy of your Resident Card.
8) Receipt for Examination Fee	When paying with e-shiharai.net, print out the final "Result" screen that is displayed upon completing payment.
9) Reference Materials	These are optional. If you want to submit any reference materials (e.g. awards or commendations you have received), you may do so.

#### (4) Notices and Warnings

- 1) If your application documents are incomplete, you may be asked to resubmit them, or submit documents by postal mail. If you do not complete your application by the deadline, it will not be accepted.
- 2) Application documents cannot be changed or withdrawn once they have been accepted.
- 3) If any application documents are found to have been falsified you will be disqualified, even if you have already been accepted.

## 6. Screening Method and Notification of Outcome

### (1) 1st Stage Screening

The 1st Stage Screening is conducted as follows, based on the documents you submit.

Course	Documents Examined
AMC, IMAC-U, AMB	a. Academic transcript issued by your school etc. b. Score from academic qualification exam or national standardized exam for college entrance c. Score from English proficiency test, etc. d. Statement of reasons for applying

### (2) Notification of 1st Stage Screening Outcome

The examination numbers of those who pass the 1st Stage Screening will be announced on the FGL website.

Announcement of 1st Stage Screening Results
<b>Monday, February 3, 2020 at 10:00 AM JST</b>

- FGL Website: <https://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/degree/undergraduate-english/>
- If you pass the 1st Stage Screening, instructions regarding the screening method and location for the 2nd Stage Screening will be sent via T-cens. An exam admission ticket will also be sent by postal mail or email. You must present the ticket on the day of the 2nd Stage Screening. Please use T-cens to confirm by the designated date whether or not you will attend the 2nd Stage Screening. If you fail to respond by the deadline, you will be considered to have withdrawn from the screening process, and will be unable to undergo the 2nd Stage Screening.
- If you do not pass the 1st Stage Screening, a notification will be sent via T-cens.

### (3) 2nd Stage Screening

If you pass the 1st Stage Screening, you will be eligible for the 2nd Stage Screening, which will be held as follows.

Date	<b>One or two days during Monday, March 9 to Friday, March 13, 2020</b> <b>*For India only, one or two days during Monday, February 17 to Friday, February 21, 2020</b>	
	<p>*May be held on other dates if necessary. Details will be provided via T-cens.</p> <p>*We cannot accept requests to change the date or time once they have been determined by the university. Please keep your schedule open during the period in which the screening will be held.</p>	
Screening Locations	<p><b>China (Beijing), Korea (Seoul), Taiwan (Taipei), Thailand (Bangkok), Indonesia (Jakarta), India (New Delhi), Vietnam (Hanoi), UK (London), US (Riverside), Egypt (Cairo), Pakistan (Islamabad), Japan (Tohoku University, Sendai)</b></p> <p>1) Tohoku University will designate locations for the 2nd Stage Screening. If you already live in Japan, the 2nd Stage Screening will be conducted at Tohoku University (Sendai).</p> <p>2) Details of the date/time, location, and method for the 2nd Stage Screening will be provided via T-cens message and shown on your exam admission ticket.</p> <p>*Screening locations will be selected with consideration for the number of applicants in each region, and are not limited to those shown above.</p> <p>*Please be aware that the screening may not be conducted in the country where you live.</p> <p>*You must pay your own travel expenses to the screening location.</p> <p>*We cannot accept requests to change the location once it has been designated by the university.</p>	
Method	The 2nd Stage Screening will be conducted as follows.	
	Course	2nd Stage Screening Method
	AMC	Written and oral test including questions that will test basic academic ability in Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics, and essay.
	IMAC-U	Written and oral test including questions that will test basic academic ability in Physics and Mathematics, and essay.
	AMB	Written and oral test to determine knowledge of and interest in the field of marine biology, ability to think logically, and expressiveness.

#### (4) Notification of 2nd Stage Screening Outcome

The examination numbers of those who pass the 2nd Stage Screening will be announced on our website.

Announcement of 2nd Stage Screening Results
<b>Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 10:00 AM JST</b>

- FGL Website: <https://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/degree/undergraduate-english/>
- Successful applicants will be notified by T-cens. An official letter of acceptance will be sent by postal mail to the address you provided in your application.

### 7. Admission Procedures

An outline of the admission procedures is as follows. Details will be explained in the Enrollment Guidelines.

#### (1) Admission Procedures Period

Admission Procedures Period	<b>Thursday, April 2 at 10:00 AM JST – Friday, April 10, 2020 at 8:00 AM JST</b>
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- Failure to complete the admission procedures during this period will result in loss of permission to enroll.

- Information on acceptance of additional applicants will be posted on the FGL website (<https://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/degree/undergraduate-english/>) after the Admission Procedures Period. Additional applicants accepted will be notified on or after Tuesday, April 14, 2020 via T-cens, and again later by postal mail. We are unable to respond to any inquiries regarding the acceptance of additional applicants.

## (2) Required Fees (Payments)

1) Entrance and tuition fees are as follows.

Entrance Fee	JPY 282,000
Tuition Fee	JPY 267,900 per semester x 2 = JPY 535,800/year

- The above amounts are subject to change. If fee amounts are changed, the new fees will apply from the time of the revision.
- The payment deadline will be announced in the Enrollment Guidelines.

2) Insurance for International Students

After admission, international students are required to enroll in insurance plans that cover medical fees for injuries/illnesses and liability. Insurance fees come to about JPY 40,000 total for the entire four years. Details will be explained in the Enrollment Guidelines.

## **8. Scholarships**

1) *Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship*

Of those who indicate that they wish to receive a scholarship at the time of their application, 8 successful FGL applicants (total for the 3 courses) who achieved excellent scores on the entrance examination and meet the criteria specified by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), will be recommended to MEXT. If selected for this scholarship, you will receive JPY 119,000/month for four years (amount current as of AY 2019; subject to change each academic year), while entrance and tuition fees will be waived. You will also receive an economy-class air ticket for travel between the international airport in your nation of citizenship and Narita International Airport upon enrollment (for arrival) and graduation (for departure).

You will have to take certain subjects that are mandatory for MEXT Scholarship students after enrolling and maintain a GPA of over 2.30 while receiving scholarship payments. The formula used to calculate GPA will be explained when you enroll. Your GPA will be reviewed every year; if it drops below the specified level, you will be required to withdraw from the scholarship.

\*This scholarship has other conditions for those who are already living in Japan at the time of their application. Please inquire if this applies to you.

2) *President Fellowship*

Tohoku University awards the President Fellowship, which provides a scholarship sufficient to cover the examination, entrance, and tuition fees, to those who requested it on their application and have outstanding academic records. The maximum duration of the scholarship is four years. The President Fellowship does not include a living-stipend.

After being accepted recipients will be subject to reviews of their grades and scholastic progress. Fellowship payments may be terminated if their performance is deemed inadequate.

3) *MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students*

If JASSO issues a call for applicants for the Reservation Program for the MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students (university recommendation), Tohoku University will recommend some of its privately financed international students. Those who took the 2nd Stage Screening in Japan, or who are already living in Japan, are not eligible. To be eligible, you must have indicated on your application

that you want a scholarship, and have an outstanding character and excellent examination results, in addition to facing financial hardships in connection with your studies. If selected for this scholarship, you will receive JPY 48,000 /month for half a year from October 2020 to March 2021. You can receive the President Fellowship simultaneously with this scholarship. Also, you can apply through your faculty to extend this scholarship for the next academic year and onward.

\*EJU examinees can apply for the Reservation Program for the MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students. Scholarships will be reserved for those who achieve excellent EJU scores. After enrolling, they will receive a scholarship for half a year. Those who take the exam outside of Japan, achieve particularly excellent scores, and fulfill certain conditions, can extend the scholarship period up until the end of their course's standard term. For details, please see the JASSO website.

The website of Japan Student Services Organization Reservation Program for the MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students (for students with excellent scores in the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students):

[http://www.jasso.go.jp/scholarship/yoyakuseido\\_e.html](http://www.jasso.go.jp/scholarship/yoyakuseido_e.html)

\*Only international students whose residence status is "Student" are eligible for these scholarships.

### Scholarship Award

Scholarship Details		Recipients		1) Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship	* Those not receiving 1) Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship are eligible. * 2) and 3) can be received simultaneously.	
					2) President Fellowship	3) MEXT Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students
Examination Fee JPY 5,000	Upon Enrolling	—	—	Equivalent amount awarded	—	
Entrance Fee JPY 282,000	Upon Enrolling	Not required (waived)	—	Equivalent amount awarded	—	
Living Stipend		JPY 119,000 /month x 12 months x 4 years + economy air ticket to/from Japan	—	—	JPY 48,000 /month x 6 months (Oct. 2020 to Mar. 2021)	
Tuition Fee	JPY 267,900 x 2 = JPY 535,800	1st year	Not required (waived)	Equivalent amount awarded	—	
	JPY 267,900 x 2 = JPY 535,800	2nd year	Not required (waived)	Equivalent amount awarded	—	
	JPY 267,900 x 2 = JPY 535,800	3rd year	Not required (waived)	Equivalent amount awarded	—	
	JPY 267,900 x 2 = JPY 535,800	4th year	Not required (waived)	Equivalent amount awarded	—	

## 9. Housing (Tohoku University House)

To provide students on the FGL Undergraduate Courses with an environment in which they can focus on their studies, Tohoku University gives them access to housing at the University House dormitories for their first two years.

- Dormitories are for the sole use of the dorm residents. Friends and family of the residents are not allowed to stay in them. The kitchens, showers, toilets, and laundry room are shared with other residents.
- Dormitory fees are approximately JPY 36,000 /month, which you must pay yourself. You will also be charged for utilities such as water, gas, etc.
- From your third year (September 2022), you will have to live in a private apartment. Rent is approximately JPY 30,000 - 60,000 per month. You will also have to pay 1-3 months of rent as key money/deposit. You must pay all housing fees yourself.

## **10. Other**

### Tohoku University Policy on Personal Information

Tohoku University handles the personal information of all applicants and entrants in strict accordance with Japanese law.

- 1) All personal information gathered by Tohoku University shall be treated with due care in compliance with the Law for the Protection of Personal Information Retained by Independent Administrative Institutions, and the Act on the Protection of Personal Information of Tohoku University, and security measures will be taken to protect it.
- 2) Personal information, such as examination scores, used to screen applicants will be used exclusively for educational purposes, such as selecting applicants, enrollment procedures, pre-enrollment instruction, follow-up surveys, post-enrollment student support (scholarships, tuition waivers and health management etc.) and academic advising, or in connection with tuition collection etc.

## **11. Contact Information**

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