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117 Years of History and Tradition

Established in 1907 as the third National University

One of the Top 7 National Universities in Japan

Principles

- ## *Research First*

- ## *Open Door*

- ## *Creating Social Values*
  (Practice Oriented Research and Education)

Goals of Tohoku University

➢ *Establish a comprehensive hub of world-class research and education in all aspects such as culture, environment, and administrative system*

➢ *Foster leaders who will develop society and create new knowledge*

➢ *Contribute to the local and global society*

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Overview of Tohoku University

Faculties/ Schools

10 Faculties / **15** Graduate Schools

3 Professional Graduate Schools

6 Research Institutes

Number of Students:

About **18,000**

(Undergraduate 11,000, Graduate 7,000)

Number of Academic Staff:

About **3,100**

Undergraduate
10 Faculties/Schools 10学部
Arts and Letters 文学部
Education 教育学部
Law 法学部
Economics 経済学部
Science 理学部
Medicines 医学部
Dentistry 歯学部
Pharmaceutical Sciences 薬学部
Engineering 工学部
Agriculture 農学部

Graduate	
15 Graduate Schools 15 大学院研究科	
Arts and Letters 文学研究科	International Cultural Studies 国際文化研究科
Education 教育学研究科	Information Sciences 情報科学研究科
Law 法学研究科	Life Sciences 生命科学研究科
Economics and Management 経済学研究科	Environmental Studies 環境科学研究科
Science 理学研究科	Biomedical Engineering 医工学研究科
Medicines 医学系研究科	Professional Graduate Schools
Dentistry 歯学研究科	Law School 法科大学院
Pharmaceutical Sciences 薬学研究科	School of Public Policy 公共政策大学院
Engineering 工学研究科	Accounting School 会計大学院
Agricultural Science 農学研究科	

International Representation

Europe 8.8%

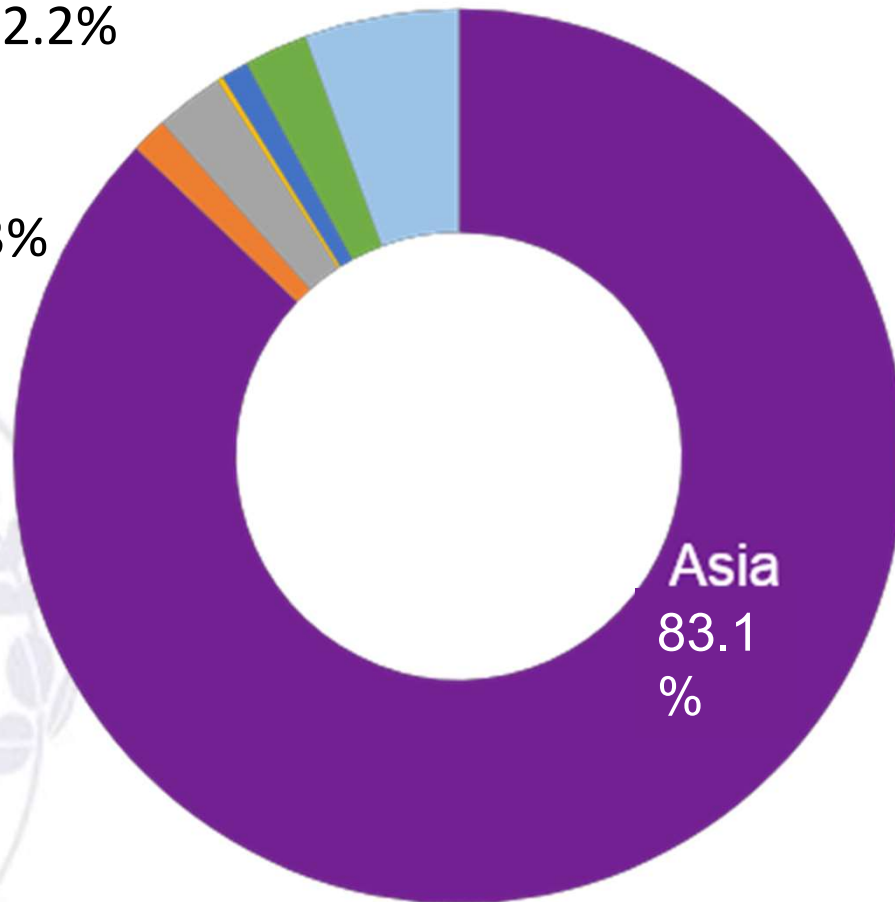South and Central America 1.9%

North America 2.2%

Oceania 0.2%

Africa 2.6%

Middle East 1.3%

Asia
83.1
%

2,147
International Students
from
94 countries/ areas

（As of May, 2024）

There are many student organizations based on not only their root but also interest.

➢ Be **a good-natured member of the community**

➢ **Interact with others,** such as domestic students, international students in other programs and Sendai residents, for making your university life fruitful

➢ Be **sure to follow Japanese laws and regulations** (e.g., illegal drugs, underage drinking and smoking)

Education at Tohoku University

➢ The curriculum at Tohoku University is designed to provide both **comprehensive & modern knowledge**, **deep compassion**, and **international perspective**.

➢ General Education covers a wide range of fields and is designed to provide the **foundations for specialized and/or graduate education**.

Curriculum Overview

			General Education Subjects / Specialized Subjects
1st year	from October	Fall Semester (2nd)	**General Education Subjects**
	from April	Spring Semester (3rd)	
2nd year	from October	Fall Semester (4th)	
	from April	Spring Semester (5th)	**Specialized Subjects**
3rd year	from October	Fall Semester (6th)	
	From April	Spring Semester (7th)	
4th year	From October	Fall Semester (8th)	
	From April	Spring Semester (9th)	

❖ In principle, the GE classes this fall semester will be held in person. Check the syllabus to confirm a teaching style

❖ 3 Japanese courses (10 credits) are offered from 2nd to 4th semester.

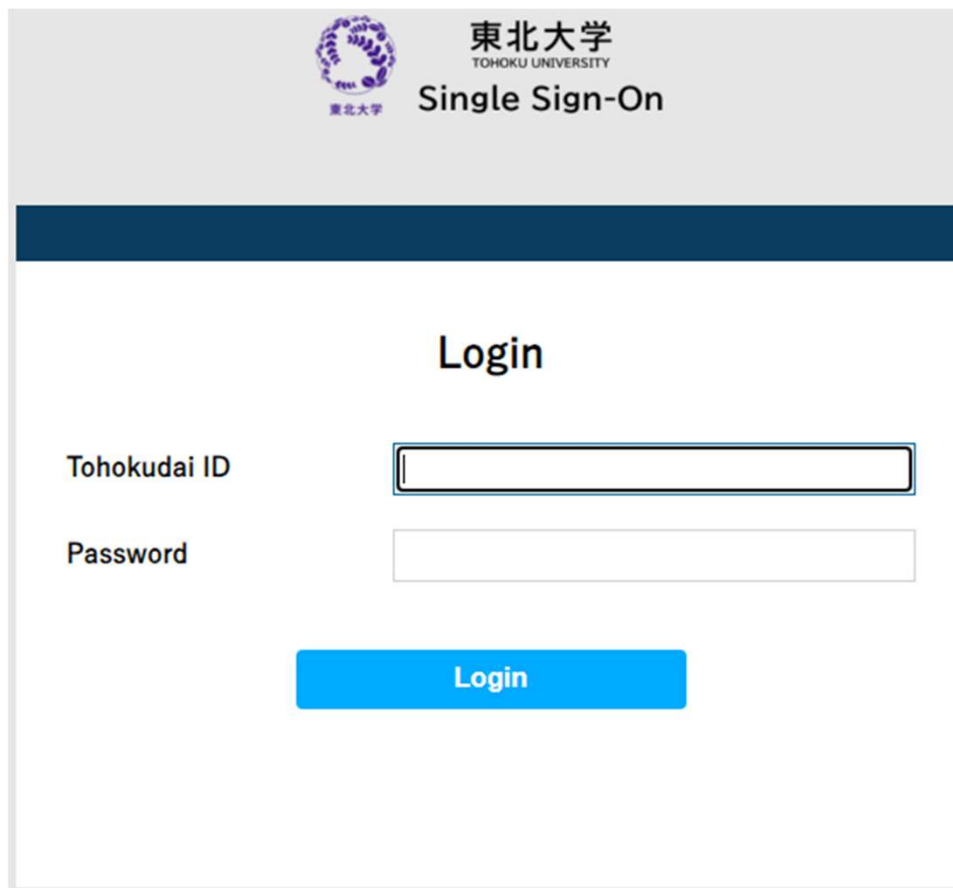## 2024 Fall Semester (2nd semester <3Q and 4Q> of Tohoku University)

Orientation for FGL Undergraduate Courses	September 25 (Wed), 2024
Entrance Ceremony and Each FGL Course Orientation	**September 27** (Fri), 2024
Classes in 2nd Semester	October 1 (Tue) – February 3 (Mon), 2024
Course Registration (online)	October 1 (Tue) – **October 14** (Mon), 2024
Drop/Withdrawal for Course Registration	October 15 (Tue) – **October 31** (Thu), 2024
No Classes due to University Festival	October 25 (Fri), 2024
Winter Break (No Classes)	December 27 (Fri), 2024 – January 3 (Fri), 2025
No Classes due to National Center Test for University Admission	January 17 (Fri), 2025
Term-end Vacation	February 4 (Tue), 2025 – Late March

Class Timetable

Generally, each course is held **16 times (weeks)**, including orientation and examination(s), per semester. This corresponds to **2 credits**.

Period	Class start/finish
1st Period	8:50 – 10:20 (JST)
2nd Period	10:30 – 12:00 (JST)
3rd Period	13:00 – 14:30 (JST)
4th Period	14:40 – 16:10 (JST)
5th Period	16:20 – 17:50 (JST)

> "TOHOKU-DAI ID" (alphanumeric characters like aa########) and login PW are required for accessing the university's **portal site**: **Single Sign-On**.

Accessing the portal site, "**Single Sign-On**" is a starting point to further access to all online systems (e.g., "**Student Affairs Information Service**"), receive various services (e.g., downloading Microsoft 365, MATLAB), and obtain information at this university.

Temporary TOHOKU-DAI ID and PW have already been distributed when you move into the dormitory. Then please find your official TOHOKU-DAI ID and PW by yourself.

Student ID

> ➤ "Student ID" (e.g., C4 S/T/A B####) on your student ID card identifies you as a Tohoku University student.

> ➤ It is required for receiving a variety of services, including those on campuses and at some local facilities, such as the Miyagi Art museum, etc.

"dc mail account"

➢ The "dc mail account" is your official university mail account, being required to access any app of **Google Suites**, etc. (*Gmail, Classroom, Drive, Calendar*), including "*Meet*" to attend classes online.

➢ Your current dc mail account was a tentative one issued just for receiving the pre-enrollment education.

Therefore, please use a new dc mail account activated on October 1 (Tue) for classes in the fall 2024.

List of Subjects

- **Foundations (5 subjects)**
- **Advanced Subjects (3)**
- **Languages (3)**
- **Basics of Discipline (5)**

In principle, only credits earned in subject courses taught in English will be included in graduation requirements.

- **Courses of "Cooperative Innovation Program (p.22)", such as "Study Abroad Program A: *Fundamentals of Interdisciplinary STEM Seminar*" (the Pre-enrollment-education Course)**

  Some CIP courses are mandatory for MEXT Scholarship recipients and are elective for others.

  Timetable for 2nd semester for each FGL course *(p. 21-22)*

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In general, all FGL students admitted through the "FGL examination" are requested to get 10 credits in the Japanese Language Category for graduation.

However, this requirement is different among FGL courses. IMAC-U and AMC students with Japanese nationality may have some flexibility in language categories if their Japanese proficiency is high enough, but AMB course students are required to get all 10 credits from the Japanese Language Category, regardless of their Japanese proficiency.

This year, all students, except for Japanese students admitted through "Global Entrance Examination", must attend the first class of "Basic Japanese I" at the 5th period on October 1 for taking "SPOT", which is a unique test that enables measurement of examinees' Japanese language proficiency.
Please bring a PC that can access "eduroam" and earphones or a headset.

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Search Syllabus

QuickSyllabus (https://qsl.cds.tohoku.ac.jp/qsl/)

or

Student Affairs Information System

Create your own time table
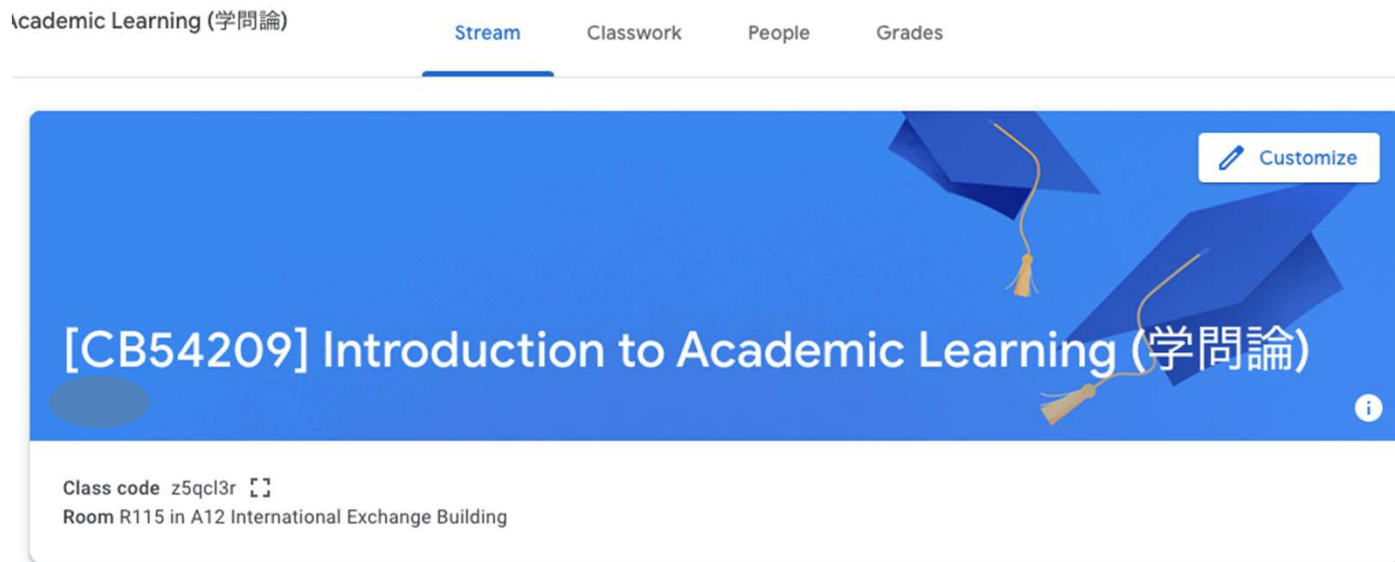
Class Registration

Steps

- Understand the requirements (subjects and # of credits) for the course completion (graduation)
- Find courses you are interested in
- Find the course information (syllabus and class code)
- Register to the course online via Student Affairs Information System

Important Dates

- Deadline for online registration: October 14 (Mon)
- Procedures for deregistering courses: October 15 (Tue)-31 (Thu)

➢ Find a classroom, a class code, and the Meet URL for an online class before the class starts.

➢ **Quick Syllabus** is very easy to find the information.
(**https://qsl.cds.tohoku.ac.jp/qsl/**)

Examination

- ➢ **Follow an instructor's instruction**
- ➢ **Do not engage in misconduct. Engaging in misconduct is punishable by suspension.**
- ➢ **Plagiarism in preparing report is also prohibited.**

No credits for a specific course or all courses of a semester may be given.

Grading

- ➢ **GPA (Grade Point Average)**
- ➢ **"4 scale", in which the highest grade is AA (4) for 90-100 points out of 100 is implemented.**

Requirement to MEXT Scholarship and President Fellowship Recipients

・ **Minimum GPA (Grade Point Average) for MEXT Scholarship recipients is 2.3 in 3 full-scale**.

(total credits of ① x 3) + (total credits of ② x 2) + (total credits of ③ x1)

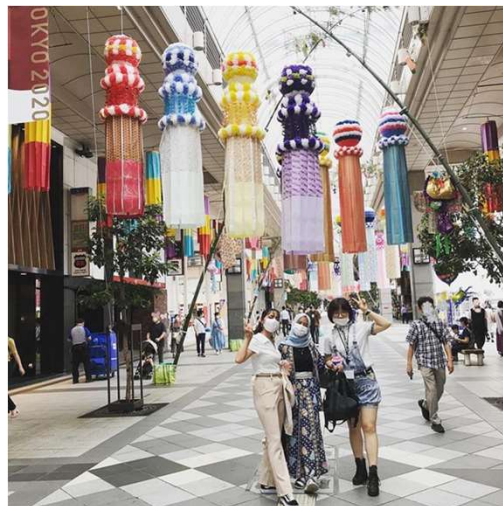total credits for registered classes (①+②+③+④) for a year

① AA, A and 80 or more;　② B and 70-79;　③ C and 60-69;　④ D and 59 or less

*Credits with E, F, G, N, and / are not included in the formula above.

・ The status as a President Fellowship recipient is not guaranteed for four years and would be evaluated based on their performance at the end of every semester.

Useful Facilities, Services, & Support available online

- Library (International Student Concierge)
- Tutor System (Buddy)
- Student Learning Advisor System
- Student Counseling
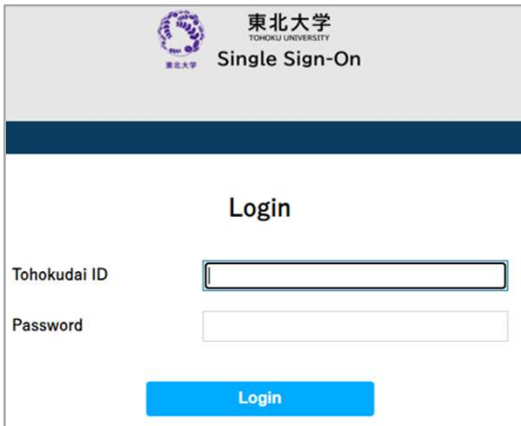- Career Support
- International Students Help Desk

Hope your happy and fruitful university life!

Student Affairs Information System for Syllabus Search and Registration (p.16-18)

FGL-senpai will help you.

Online Access Top Page

For PC & smartphone

Portal Site

https://slink.secioss.com/user/index.php?tenant=auth.tohoku.ac.jp

SRP Operation Manuals

https://rp.auth.tohoku.ac.jp/gkms/manual/index.html

学務情報システム

Student Affairs Information System

Operating Manual (Abridged Version)
- For Students -