

Application Guidelines for the “Future with India” Program at Ochanomizu University, Japan

Ochanomizu University has been selected as one of the “Inter-University Exchange Projects,” offered by the Japanese government's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology and launched the “Future with India” Program with the partner institutions in India in Fall 2025. This program welcomes master’s and doctoral students from these partner institutions to Ochanomizu University during the fall semester.

I Goals & Contents of the Program

The main goal of this program is to foster global STEM leaders by promoting collaborative research between India and Japan. In this program, master’s and doctoral students from India will participate in internships in Tokyo with Ochanomizu students in September, and conduct collaborative research from October to January at the laboratories of the Graduate School of Ochanomizu University and the Graduate School of Engineering of the University of Tokyo. After collaborating with students from India for one semester at Ochanomizu University, Ochanomizu students will stay in partner institutions in India for one semester to enhance collaborative research.

II Schedule of the Program

Listed below are the schedule of the program for 2026 to 2027:

Global Internship in English (September 2026)

Collaborative research at laboratories and taking courses including Japanese Language and Culture (October 2026 –January 2027)

International Student Symposium (December 2026 or January 2027)

III Requirement Information

1. Requirements: Applicants must:

- be graduate students at the time of arriving in and leaving from Japan at one of the partner institutions.
- be interested in collaborative research in Japan and have clear plans to participate in this program.
- have a GPA score required for studying at the host university.
- be willing to engage in international exchanges between India and Japan.
- be interested in learning Japanese language and culture though Japanese language proficiency is not required.

2. Number of Applicants: 10 students (2-3 students from each institution)
3. Period of Implementation: From September to January of the following year. The program will last until the fiscal year of 2030.
4. Host University: Ochanomizu University (Tokyo, Japan)
(There are cases in which some collaborative research projects in engineering are conducted in the Graduate School of Engineering at the University of Tokyo.)
5. Required Documents :
 - (1) Application for the “Future with India” Program (Form 1)
 - (2) Recommendation Letter (Form 2)
 - (3) Collaborative research plan (Form 3)
 - (4) Academic transcript
 - (5) Application form for the Certificate of Eligibility for Residence Status (COE)
 - (6) A photo data with no background for COE
 - (7) Photocopy of Passport (ID page)
 - * Health Certificate is not required.
 - * Required documents must be submitted via online platform by mid-February. We are preparing the online platform, and the partner institutions will be notified when it is open.
6. Selection Criteria
 - Being interested in the “Future with India” program including internships and collaborative research in Tokyo
 - Minimum GPA required by the host university
 - Possessing appropriate aims and plans to study in this program
 - Possessing high motivation and experiences in international exchange
7. Selection and Notification

Results of the selection will be sent to partner institutions about two months after the applications are submitted. Students may be required to attend online interviews before the final selection is decided.

8. Others

< Preparations for travelling to Japan >

(1) Procedures

Participants must apply for a visa, arrange air tickets, and purchase insurance.

*The students will be required to enter the travel insurance before arriving at Japan (or show the receipt of the travel insurance entered prior to their arrivals).

(2) Expenses

Tuition fee will be paid to the university that students are enrolled in, and examination fees, admission fees, and tuition fees are exempted from the host university.

Participants are responsible for necessary expenses related to travel procedures (including travel expenses and overseas insurance premiums) and living expenses while studying abroad (dormitory fees, etc.).

(3) Scholarship

Participants will be granted scholarships from the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO). The JASSO scholarship is 80,000 yen per month if they meet the specified conditions.

(4) Accommodation

Participants will be given an offer of accommodation by the host university.

< After leaving Japan >

(1) Requirements

Please submit an achievement report and questionnaires about the program.

(2) Certification

Students who have earned the required credits in this program will be certified and given a certificate of eligibility.

*The students of the “Future in India” program need to obtain at least 10 credits from the courses provided in the program. Courses offered in the “Future in India” program are:

Global Internship I (Graduate School, Short term)	2 credits
Global Internship II (Graduate School, Long term)	2 credits
Special Research II	6 credits
Comprehensive Japanese I	2 credits
Comprehensive Japanese II	2 credits
Japanese Language and Culture	1 credit

(3) Credit transfers

Please contact the home university for credits which may be transferred from the host university.

9. Schedule

January 26: Deadline of Application to Ochanomizu University

February-March: Individual online interviews

April: Acceptance from Ochanomizu University

September - January: Participating in the “Future with India” Program at Ochanomizu University

* The final acceptance is determined by the host university. If there is a significant drop in academic performance or poor conduct before the start of the program, the acceptance at the host university may be revoked.

10. Contact

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