

Application Guidelines for AY2026 Fall Research Students

Graduate School of Shibaura Institute of Technology

1. Eligibility for Applicants

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Individuals who have completed, or are expected to complete, a master's degree program
- Individuals who intend to advance to the doctoral program at SIT after completing the research student

***For international applicants, the following conditions also apply:**

- The total period of enrollment as a research student at a university in Japan must not exceed 1 year and 6 months at the time of enrollment at SIT
- Applicants must meet at least one of the following language proficiency requirements

Language proficiency Requirements

- a. **Japanese proficiency:** N2 level or higher on the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT), or a score of 200 or higher in the Japanese section (Reading, Listening, and Listening-Reading Comprehension) of the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)
- b. **English proficiency:** A level equivalent to B2 or higher on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

***This language proficiency requirement shall not apply to applicants whose application for research student status is made under scholarship programs administered by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) or the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program.**

2. Application Documents

(1) CV – Designated form 1

*Applicants must ensure that there are no gaps in their educational or professional history from high school graduation to the present. If the applicant is currently enrolled as a research student at another university in Japan, this must also be included in the application.

(2) Abstract of Master's or Doctoral Thesis –Designated form 2

(3) Research Plan –Designated form 3

(4) 1 photo (4cm x 3cm, taken within 3 months of pre-consultation, front view, hatless, upper body) to be affixed to Designated Form 1

(5) Certificate of (expected) completion of the last graduate school attended

(6) Academic transcript from the last graduate school attended

(7) English Test Score Report (TOEIC® L&R, TOEIC® S&W, TOEFL® iBT, IELTS Academic, GTEC (4 Skills for Professionals / Students))

or

Document certifies that have obtained a degree from a higher education institution by taking classes and receiving research guidance etc. in English

< Those who have obtained a degree from a higher education institution by taking classes and receiving research guidance etc. in English only> *

(8) A copy of the Residence Card (Alien Registration Certificate) and passport

*Submit copies of both the front and back of the Residence Card.

*If you do not possess a Residence Card, submit only a copy of your passport.

(9) Documents certifying Language Proficiency Requirements a or b

*For example, a copy of a language proficiency test score report.

*If the score report submitted in 7. already demonstrates the required language proficiency level, there is no need to submit it again.

3. Application Procedure

You will use the website twice in total, once for the pre-consultation and once for the application.

(1) Pre-consultation

Pre-consultation period	Wed, May 20, 2026, 12:00 noon – Wed, June 3, 2026, 12:00 noon
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The supervisor will confirm with you in advance whether you will be accepted into their laboratory.

The designated forms are available for download from the website, as well as this guideline.

* The documents for the pre-consultation and application are the same.

Please access to the “【Non-degree program】 2026 Fall Pre-consultation for Research Students (Master)” in TAO system.

You may not proceed with the application without the informal acceptance of the supervisor.

(2) Application

Application period	Fri, June 12, 2026, 12:00 noon – Mon, June 22, 2026, 12:00 noon
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Submit all the required documents via the website “The Admissions Office (TAO)”

The designated forms are available for download from the website, as well as this guideline.

*The documents for the pre-consultation and application are the same.

Please access to the “【Non-degree program】 2026 Fall Research Students(Master)” in TAO.

After evaluating the submitted documents, SIT will notify the applicants of the results around the middle of August.

4. Expenses

(1) Examination Fee: **JPY35, 000** – paid at the same time as the application submission takes place.

(2) Academic Fee consists of the following:

Registration Fee	JPY 59,000 *Graduates of SIT: JPY 29,500
Research Guidance Fee (half a year)	JPY 150,000
Experiment and Practice Fee	Actual expenses *Depends on the research field.

* The applicant will be notified of the acceptance or non-acceptance by late August to the e-mail address registered with TAO. SIT will announce the payment period for the Academic Fee at the time of result notification.

5. Enrollment period

The enrollment period for research students is half a year.

1. Half term: October 1st, 2026 (Thu) to March 31st, 2027 (Wed)

2. Yearly period: October 1st, 2026 (Thu) to September 30th, 2027 (Thu)

6. Security Trade Control (Export Control)

Shibaura Institute of Technology (SIT) checks them at any case of technology transfer or the entries of researcher or student based on rules of the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act and related laws and regulations.

Therefore, you will be required to change the education or research you (will) desire in case it is (will be) possibly regulated.

It does not affect the result of entrance examination.

Please refer to the website of the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Trade (METI) for detail;
<http://www.meti.go.jp/policy/anpo/index.html>

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