



2027 Academic Year

Application for Autumn Enrollment in Doctoral Program

(For advancement/entry in April 2027)

Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools
Special Selection Program for Working Adults
Special Selection Program for International Students

April 2026

Graduate School of Engineering, Tohoku University

○ Admission Policy

The Tohoku University Graduate School of Engineering aims to develop researchers who think for themselves and carry out research with ethical standards and courage to realize a safe, secure, and prosperous society, and who can play a role in developing and innovating future science and technology with abundant creativity and research capability, based on profound knowledge and broad perspectives on nature and human beings. It also aims to develop professional engineers who can contribute to the sustainable development of society with not only highly specialized knowledge but also long-term perspectives and an international outlook. Specifically, we welcome students with the following academic abilities and skills, and who aspire to be creative, highly proficient researchers and professional engineers who contribute to the sustainable development of society:

1. A broad range of basic engineering knowledge, advanced expertise on their own research fields, and the ability to develop them in a flexible manner; and
2. The ability to logically present and discuss the significance and outcome of their research.

For this reason, the Graduate School of Engineering conduct Regular Selection, Special Selection for Working Adults, Special Selection for International Students, and Selection for International Degree Courses Offering Education in English, to select students with an emphasis on the abilities and qualities necessary to carry out research in line with our educational philosophies and goals.

Applicants for Regular Selection, Special Selection for International Students, and Selection for International Degree Courses Offering Education in English will be selected by each department through appropriate procedures by combining the methods: a written examination etc. to evaluate basic knowledge and specialized knowledge in engineering, language proficiency, and an oral interview to assess their aptitude. The selection will be made with an emphasis on the results of the written examination.

For Special Selection for Working Adults, the applicants will be selected by each department based on an oral interview to evaluate their research plan, research motivation, etc. If necessary, basic and specialized knowledge in engineering and an evaluation of their essay will also be considered in the selection process.

All new students are expected to have research experiences and basic knowledge to conduct independent research.

○ Educational Objectives and Goals

Staying true to the Tohoku University's traditional spirit of "Research First," "Open Doors," and "Practice-Oriented Research and Education," the Graduate School of Engineering is committed to achieving its educational objectives. One of these objectives is to develop researchers who act based on profound knowledge and broad perspective about nature and human beings, perform their research in an ethical, purposeful, and self-directed way to build safe, secure, and affluent society, and possess abundant creativity and high research skills that enable them to play a leading role in the future development and innovation of scientific technologies. Another educational objective of the Graduate School is to produce core technical experts who are equipped with not only a high-level of technical expertise but also a long-term vision and global viewpoint, and capable of making contributions to the sustainable development of our society.

The educational goal of the doctoral program is to nurture human resources performing not only subjective research in the relevant specialized field but also self-enlightenment to active worldwide as a leader in the future.

They are also expected to have a bird's eye view based on social and international demands, having the ability to develop research project with their own ideas to summarize international level papers and to discuss and present at international conferences etc.

○ Diploma Policy

The Graduate School of Engineering, Tohoku University, will award a doctoral degree in engineering to students who pass a review of doctoral thesis and the final examination. Students are also required to remain enrolled for a specific period of time, study a set of subjects that are offered in accordance with the Graduate School's educational objectives and goals, earn a specified number of credits, and demonstrate a high-level of ethical awareness and sense of responsibility, in addition to the following knowledge and skills:

1. Skills to embark on a new research subject and perform research from a panoramic perspective that takes social needs into account;
2. Skills to solve issues with unique ideas;
3. Thinking skills that allow for interdisciplinary application;
4. Language proficiency as well as research paper writing, debating and communication skills that are sufficient to make presentations at international academic conferences, etc.;
5. Skills to provide research guidance; and
6. Basic skills to manage a research or project.

○ Curriculum Policy


The Tohoku University Graduate School of Engineering provides education according to the following policy to ensure that students can acquire knowledge and skills required under the diploma policy:

1. Enable students to acquire skills to explore research subjects and perform research from a panoramic perspective that takes social and international needs into account, skills to develop such research subjects by using unique ideas and compile the results into a world-class research paper, and thinking skills that allow for interdisciplinary applications;
2. Provide students with language proficiency as well as debating and communication skills that are sufficient to make presentations and participate in discussions at international academic conferences, etc.; and
3. Equip students with skills that allow them to provide research guidance in their fields of expertise.

In order to execute the above policies, the Graduate School of Engineering offers Common Subjects, and each department offers Interdisciplinary Basic Subjects, Major General Subjects, and Related Subjects. The overall educational curriculum of the master's and doctoral program is presented in the curriculum map. The Interdisciplinary Basic Subjects are mainly provided in lecture-based courses, and the Major General Subjects consists of special lectures, special seminars, doctor course seminars, etc. The subjects in lecture-based courses are provided for the purpose of acquiring a wide range of basic knowledge and advanced specialized knowledge in each major. A syllabus is prepared for each subject to clearly state the educational content, achievement methods, guidelines for self-study, etc. The Doctor Course Seminar is provided to foster the ability to conduct and develop advanced research, and acquire a wide perspective, language skill and debating skill.

In the lecture-based subjects, the faculty member in charge of the lecture will assess the student's basic knowledge, basic academic skill, specialized knowledge, etc. by using regular examinations, reports, etc. Details of the grade evaluation method are described in the syllabus for each subject. In the Doctor Course Seminar, the academic advisor will evaluate the following abilities based on research activity in the laboratory, presentation at domestic and international conferences, the doctoral dissertation and its defense.

1. Ability to design and conduct research or projects
2. Ability to investigate and analyze academic papers and technical materials
3. Basic academic skills necessary to write academic papers to meet international standards
4. Ability to evaluate research in related fields

- 
5. Presentation and communication skills sufficient to present research results at international conferences
 6. Ability to advise and guide research for undergraduate and master's course student

1. Departments and Admission Quotas

Department	Admission Quota	Department	Admission Quota
Mechanical Systems Engineering	10	Applied Chemistry	8
Finemechanics	11	Chemical Engineering	7
Robotics	11	Biomolecular Engineering	5
Aerospace Engineering	12	Metallurgy	7
Quantum Science and Energy Engineering	11	Materials Science	10
Electrical Engineering	8	Materials Processing	8
Communications Engineering	9	Civil and Environmental Engineering	13
Electronic Engineering	15	Architecture and Building Science	8
Applied Physics	11	Management Science and Technology	13
		Total	174

2. Qualifications for Application

- Applicants who are currently in the first two years of a graduate studies program at this Graduate School and who expect to receive their master's degree by March 2027 may apply for **Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University**.
- Applicants other than the above for whom any of qualifications (1) to (8) below is true may apply for **admission as Regular Applicants from Other Schools**.
- Those eligible to apply for the **Special Selection Program for Working Adults** are, in principle, those who after graduating from university have worked for at least two years as engineers, instructors, researchers or the like at the time of entrance. The applicant must also satisfy at least one of the following qualifications (1) to (8) below is applicable.
- Those eligible to apply for the **Special Selection Program for International Students** are those who have received a university education in Japan as international students or in an overseas university, and for whom any of qualifications (1) to (8) below is applicable.

The applicant must:

- (1) Have earned a master's degree or professional degree, or expect to earn such a degree by March 2027.
- (2) Have earned a master's degree or equivalent professional degree, or expect to earn such a degree by March 2027, in the graduate school of a foreign university.
- (3) Have earned a master's degree or equivalent professional degree, or expect to earn such a degree by March 2027, by taking correspondence courses in Japan offered by schools outside Japan.
- (4) Have earned a master's degree or equivalent professional degree, or expect to earn such a degree by March 2027, by completing a course designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in an educational institution in Japan recognized as adopting the educational system of a foreign country and having the curriculum of a graduate school in that country.
- (5) Have earned a master's degree or equivalent professional degree, or expect to earn such a degree by March 2027, by graduating a program of the United Nations University.
- (6) Have been recognized as having achieved at least the academic equivalent of a master's degree through an educational program offered at following institutions (a) to (c), and have passed the equivalency examination and screening process as stipulated in Clause 2, Article 16 of the Standards for the Establishment of a Graduate School (Act No. 28, 1974).
 - (a) Foreign schools
 - (b) Educational institutions which have the curriculum of a graduate program
 - (c) The United Nations University
- (7) Meet either of the following criteria for eligibility specified by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology:
 - (a) Have carried out research in a university or research institute, etc. for two or more years after graduating from university, and be recognized by this Graduate School as having achieved at least the equivalent academic abilities of someone with a master's degree on the basis of those research accomplishments.
 - (b) Have carried out research in a university or research institute, etc. for two or more years after completing 16 years of course studies overseas, or after completing, in Japan, 16 years of foreign school course studies by means of correspondence courses conducted by foreign schools, and be recognized by this Graduate School as having achieved at least the equivalent academic abilities of someone with a master's degree on the basis of those research accomplishments.
- (8) Be aged 24 or above and, through individual admission qualification screening, be recognized by this Graduate School as having achieved at least the equivalent academic abilities of someone with a master's degree.

Note 1: Applicants who are currently employed as a faculty member or staff member at Tohoku University and will continue to work at the university after enrollment should contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Engineering by May 19, 2026.

Note 2: Applicants should contact the expected supervisor or the head of the department in which they expect to major in advance regarding their research plans after enrollment.

Note 3: Applicants applying under qualification (7) should contact the head of the department in which they expect to major in advance regarding their qualifications to apply. The following documents will be needed at that time.

Required documents	Notes
Certification of research or work experience	Issued by the head of the place of work or research, certifying two or more years of engagement as engineer, instructor, researcher, etc. (any format; with official letterhead, signature, seal, etc.).
Summary of research or work	Research/work carried out during time spent working as an engineer, instructor, researcher, etc. (approximately 2 A4-size pages).
Academic transcript	Issued by the dean of the school from which you graduated.
Other reference materials	Copies of technical papers, patent announcements, etc.

Note 4: Applicants applying under qualification (8) will need to undergo admission qualification screening. Please contact the office of department for which you wish to apply (see the Remarks of Appendix) in advance.

3. Online Application Procedures and Application Period

The general flow for online applications is as follows.

1. Confirming Application Guidelines and Obtaining the Necessary Documents



- Please carefully check the information in these Application Guidelines, including the Qualifications for Admission and the necessary application documents.
- For application documents, such as certificates of (expected) graduation, transcripts, and other support documentation, please request them in advance from the university you attended.

2. Paying the Examination Fee



- Follow the directions on of the Application Guidelines. Use an ATM (at a financial institution or convenience store) or online banking to pay via transfer to the designated bank account. A prescribed fee will be charged when making the payment (to be borne by the applicant).
- After making the transfer, attach documents that show the payee's account information, the amount, the date of transfer, and the name of the payer—such as a copy of the ATM statement or a copy of the screen of the completed Internet banking transfer—to the Confirmation for Examination Fee Payment, and upload the scanned data to the below Application Registration website.

3. Registering an Application via the TAO Application Registration Website



- Access The Admissions Office website (hereinafter referred to as TAO), and after creating an account, fill in the required applicant information. <https://admissions-office.net/en/portal>
- Uploading certificates and other documents is also done at the time of application registration.
- **You cannot change your registered information after registration.** When registering, fill in the information carefully while checking to ensure that there are no errors.
- There is a temporary save function, so please make effective use of it for checking etc.,
- **Please be sure that the submission of application is completed on TAO system as below. You will also receive email from TAO that you completed submission.**

Complete my application

[Note]
All data will become uneditable after the completion of application.
Please check again if all entries are completed.

Apply after you review the above

Cancel Yes



The Admissions Office

Search schools Admission Schemes Profile **Applications**

My applications

Incomplete **Completed**

Application status	Application ID	Admission Scheme	Application Deadline
☆ Application completed	28574	Tohoku University / Graduate School of Engineering / All Departments (Master's Programs) / 一般選抜	

The application period is from 9:00 on Monday, June 8, until 16:00 on Thursday, June 18, 2026 (Japan time).

Please follow the steps below and complete the application procedure within the specified period.

[Application Procedures and Important Notes]

1. Access the following URL and click the Member Registration button. The account creation screen will appear, so fill in the necessary information and create an account.

URL: <https://admissions-office.net/en/portal>

2. After creating your account, enter your e-mail address and password to log in from the above URL. Use the Application Schemes menu to search for “Tohoku University / Graduate School of Engineering / Three-Year Doctoral Program / April Entry,” then follow the TAO’s directions and the directions this application guideline to apply.

3. When submitting the file, please convert it to a PDF file and upload it to the application form.

In principle, the certificates to be submitted should be in Japanese or English. In the case of certificates in other languages, a Japanese or English translation, corroborated by the issuer of each certificate, should be attached.

If it is not possible to handle certificates in the way listed above, contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section in the Academic Affairs Division of the Graduate School of Engineering and School of Engineering.

*Once application documents have been submitted, we will not accept any replacements.

*Withdrawal will not be accepted after an application has been received.

*Those who have made false declarations in their application documents may have their entrance approval cancelled, even after enrollment.

*Those who pass the tests and are admitted must submit original copies of their transcripts and graduation (or completion) certificates (not required for graduates of the School of Engineering) at the time of admission procedures. (Except in cases where the “Digital Official Score Certificate” for TOEIC® Listening and Reading Public Test conducted within Japan has been submitted.) Your admission to the Graduate School may be cancelled if there are any discrepancies between the documents uploaded to TAO and the original documents submitted at the time of admission procedures, or if you are unable to submit the original certificates.

[I] Applicants currently enrolled in the two-year master's program of this Graduate School applying for advancement to the three-year doctoral program

Required documents	Notes
Application for advancement	Fill out the application form for admission in TAO.
CV	Download the prescribed CV template from the following URL https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html
Examination Admission Ticket (受験票)	Download the prescribed examination admission ticket file from the following URL. (The photo ID form(写真票) is not necessary.) https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html
Address label	Fill in the necessary information on the address label in TAO.
Written consent to take exam	<u>※Only for those intending to remain employed while in school.</u> Issued by head of workplace, showing employment duration, nature of work, and identity. (Any format; with official letterhead, signature, seal, etc.)

Note 1: The documents to be submitted when applying for admission to a department other than your current affiliated department are different from those indicated above. Please contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Engineering in advance.

[II] Applicants other than [I] applying under qualifications (1) to (5) , (7)

Required documents	Notes
Application for admission	Fill out the application form for admission in TAO.
CV	Download the prescribed CV template from the following URL. https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html
Letter of Recommendation or Letter of Acceptance (Expected Supervisor) 推薦書又は承諾書 (受入れ予定教員)	Prepared by the expected supervisor, using an official form for this Graduate School. The official form can be downloaded from the website: https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html *If a Letter of Recommendation cannot be submitted, submit instead a Letter of Acceptance by the faculty member. *Please be sure to submit a Letter of Recommendation for those who apply for the Department of Metallurgy, Materials Science, or Materials Processing.
Graduate school transcript	Issued by the dean of your graduate school. Applicants eligible under Eligibility Requirement (7) are not required to submit this document.

<p>English score sheet</p> <p>Valid tests: TOEFL iBT®Test, TOEIC® Public Test (Listening & Reading Test) IELTS-Academic module</p> <p>(Only those who are applying for the Department of Quantum Science and Energy Engineering and Applied Physics.)</p>	<p>Should be submitted by applicants corresponding to the following categories any of (1) or (2); not necessary for those applying to the Applied Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Biomolecular Engineering or Architecture and Building Science departments.</p> <p>(1) Applicants for Regular Program from Other Schools or applicants for the Special Selection Program for International Students applying to study in the Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, Aerospace Engineering, Quantum Science and Energy Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Communication Engineering, Electronic Engineering, Applied Physics, Metallurgy, Materials Science, Materials Processing, Civil and Environmental Engineering, or Management Science and Technology departments.</p> <p>(2) Applicants for the Special Selection Program for Working Adults applying to study in the Metallurgy, Materials Science, or Materials Processing departments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only those taken within two years from the date of the entrance examination are permitted to be submitted. • TOEFL iBT's "My Best™ Score" will not be used for preliminary screening at Graduate School of Engineering. • Requirements for submitting TOEFL iBT® Home Edition scores vary by Department. Please refer to the appendix in this application guidelines. • Only "Digital Official Score Certificate" is accepted for TOEIC® Listening and Reading Public Test if it is conducted within Japan. • Score sheets may not be replaced with more recent test results once submitted. • There are required scores for those who are applying under the Special Selection Program for International students to study in the Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, and Aerospace Engineering. For details, please see the appendix. • Applicants with a letter of permission (in any format) from the expected supervisor may be exempted from submitting a score sheet. If you wish to do this, please submit it before the application start date (However, for the Department of Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, and Aerospace Engineering, the deadline is Friday, May 29) Please contact the office of the department you wish to apply for (see the notes in the attached table). <p>◆ The score reports listed below may be submitted by July 28, after the application period has ended. If you wish to submit them, we will provide instructions via email after you have applied.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 31, 2026 (Conducted in Japan) • June 13, 2026 (Conducted in Japan) • June 28, 2026 (Conducted in Japan)
---	--

	*TOEFL, TOEFL iBT, TOEFL ITP, and TOEIC are registered trademarks of Educational Testing Service (ETS).
Certificate of (expected) completion or of degree conferral	<p>Issued by the dean of your graduate school or by the NIAD (National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education).</p> <p>Applicants under eligibility criterion (7) must submit a certificate of graduation or a degree conferment certificate (issued by the dean of the applicant's university or by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education).</p>
Undergraduate transcript	Issued by the dean of the university from which graduated
Copy of master's thesis and/or its abstract	<p>(1) Applicants for the Departments of Applied Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, or Biomolecular Engineering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of master's thesis, AND Abstract of master's thesis in Japanese or English (approximately 2-4 A4-size pages) *If a copy of the master's thesis cannot be submitted, submit only an abstract of research in Japanese or English (approximately 2-4 A4 pages). <p>(2) Applicants for the Departments of Applied Physics, Metallurgy, Materials Science, Materials Processing, Civil and Environmental Engineering, or Architecture and Building Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of master's thesis (Abstract of master's thesis in Japanese or English (approximately 2 A4-size pages) if you cannot submit the copy of master's thesis.) <p>(3) Applicants for the Departments of Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, Aerospace Engineering, Quantum Science and Energy Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Communications Engineering, Electronic Engineering or Management Science and Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abstract of master's thesis in Japanese or English (approximately 2-4 A4-size pages) <p>• Applicants eligible under Eligibility Requirement (7) do not need to submit this document.</p>
Examination Admission Ticket and Photo ID Form (受験票、写真票)	<p>Download the prescribed examination admission ticket and photo ID form files from the following URL</p> <p>https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html</p> <p>The photo ID form should include an image file of a photograph showing the upper body of the applicant, facing forward with no hat, and have been taken within three months of application.</p>
Residence Record	※ <u>Only for foreign applicants already residing in Japan whose period of stay is over 90 days.</u> (The residence record should be issued within 3 months and indicates residence status without Individual Number.)

<p>Examination fee</p> <p>Please pay 30,000 yen and submit "Confirmation for Examination Fee Payment" with the receipt attached</p>	<p>(1) Download the prescribed Confirmation for Examination Fee Payment form file from the following URL.</p> <p>https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html</p> <p>(2) Payment should be proceeded by ATM or Internet Banking Transaction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sender's name should be the applicant's name in Katakana. * Copy of ATM transaction statement or evidence of Internet Banking Transaction should be affixed to the "Payment Confirmation of Examination Fees". * Bank transfer fee should be paid by the applicant. * Only domestic banking transfer is accepted. <p>Amount(金額): 30,000 yen Payment Period(納入期間): June 1 (Mon) - 18 (Thu), 2026 Bank(銀行): Mitsubishi UFJ Bank (三菱UFJ 銀行) Bank Code: 0005 Branch(支店): Wakatake-shiten(わかたけ支店) Branch Code: 809 Account Type(預金種別): Futsuu(普通) Account Number(口座番号): 2259225 Account Holder(口座名義): Kokuritsu Daigaku-houjin Tohokudaigaku(国立大学法人東北大学) Account Holder in Kana(カナ): タ イ ト ホ ク タ イ カ ク</p> <p>(3) MEXT scholarship recipients do not need to pay this fee. If you wish to apply for examination fee waiver due to the domestic disasters, please see the following website: https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/grad/disaster.html</p> <p>(4) This banking information is only valid within Japan. If you live overseas, please contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section by the day before the application period begins.</p>
<p>Address label</p>	<p>Fill in the necessary information on the address label in TAO.</p>
<p>Written consent to take exam</p>	<p><u>※Only for those intending to remain employed while in school.</u></p> <p>Issued by head of workplace, showing employment duration, nature of work, and identity. (Any format: with official letterhead, signature, seal, etc.)</p>

- In addition to the above documents, submit the following documents required to the Program you wish to apply.

- **Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools**

Required documents	Notes
Score sheet of Japanese Language Proficiency Test or a document indicating the applicant's Japanese language ability prepared by the instructor of Japanese class or prospective advisor (Any format)	International students or those who received a university education overseas who wish to apply to the Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, and Aerospace Engineering are required to submit this. Not necessary if you apply for departments other than those listed above.

- **Special Selection Program for Working Adults**

Required documents	Notes
Certificate of Employment	Documents proving eligibility for the Special Selection for Working Adults. Issued by head of workplace, showing employment duration, nature of work, and identity. (Any format; with official letterhead, signature, seal, etc.)

- **Special Selection Program for International Students**

Required documents	Notes
Recommendation Letter (Alma mater)	Prepared by a supervising faculty member or equivalent from your graduate school or university (any format).
Score sheet of Japanese Language Proficiency Test or a document indicating the applicant's Japanese language ability prepared by the instructor of Japanese class or prospective advisor (Any format)	Applicants for the departments of Applied Physics, Metallurgy, Materials Science, and Materials Processing are required to submit this document, as it will be included in the pass/fail decision. Not necessary if you apply for departments other than those listed above. ※Those who wish to study in the Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, and Aerospace Engineering in Japanese language should apply to Regular Doctoral Program.

- **Applicants under Eligibility Requirement (7)**

Required documents	Notes
Research plan	Approximately 1 A4-size page
Certification of research or work experience	Issued by the head of the place of work or research, certifying two years or longer of engagement as engineer, instructor, researcher, etc. (Any format; with official letterhead, signature, seal, etc.)

Other reference materials such as Papers and Reports to demonstrate academic ability may be uploaded as PDF files.

[III] Applicants applying under qualification (6),(8)

Please contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Engineering in advance

4. Examination and Selection

The selection of new students will be made based on the results of the examination subjects listed in the attached table and the documents to be submitted.

Examination dates: To take place from Tuesday, August 25 to Thursday, 27, 2026 according to the appendix.

Location: Graduate School of Engineering, Tohoku University (details will be informed to each applicant from the department to which the application was made)

- It is not possible to take the examination of more than one selection category held on the same examination schedule. (e.g. Regular Doctoral Program and Special Selection Program for International Students)

5. Announcement of Results

Results are scheduled to be posted around 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, on the following website (<https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/>)

Notification of results will be sent via TAO to applicants who pass the entrance examination. Please note that results cannot be given in response to telephone inquiries.

6. Enrollment Procedures, etc.

(1) The enrollment procedures are scheduled to take place from early to mid- March 2027 . The details will be sent to you by email in late February 2027

(2) Fees necessary at the time of enrollment

Students entering from another school

- Admission fee: 282,000 yen (tentative)
- Tuition: 267,900 yen for one semester (annual 535,800 yen) (tentative)

Current Master's Students at Tohoku University

- (a) Admission fee: None (students are expected to have completed the first two years of this Graduate School's doctoral program and as such will have already paid the admission fee)
- (b) Tuition: 267,900 yen for one semester (annual 535,800 yen) (tentative)

Note 1: The above amounts are tentative. In the case that admission or tuition fees are revised, the new fees will become applicable from the time of the revision.

Note 2: Information on the waiving of admission or tuition fees, or permission to defer payment to a later date, etc., The details will be sent to you by email in late February 2027

7. Eligibility for the Long Term Study Program

Some applicants, due to the need to continue with employment or other special circumstances (**Note 1**), may request permission to follow a planned course of study longer than the normal period of three years in order to receive their degree (**Note 2**). This Graduate School offers such an option, called a “Long Term Study Program,” to those who qualify in an advance screening exam. Long Term doctoral students pay the same amount over the length of their studies as those enrolled in the standard three-year program. Inquiries about this program can be accepted at any time before enrollment. Please contact the Graduate Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Engineering.

Applicants hoping to be considered for this program need to apply at the enrollment procedures. It is also possible to apply for this program in the middle of the enrollment, but not if less than one year remained in the standard period of study. In such a case, the length of the Long Term Study period is limited to twice the remaining period of study within the standard period of study.

Note 1: To be eligible for this program, the applicant who (1) is employed by a company or be self-employed, (2) needs maternity leave, or is engaged in child or family care, or (3) is otherwise determined by this Graduate School to be suitable for the program (excluding financial reasons).

Note 2: The period of study may not be extended beyond six years, but it is possible to request that the allowed period be shortened.

In principle, no special curriculum will be prepared for students in the long term study program.

8. Handling of Personal Information

- (1) All personal information gathered by Tohoku University shall be treated with due care in compliance with the relevant university regulations, such as the Act on the Protection of Personal Information (2003, Act No. 57), and the National University Corporation Tohoku University Policy on the Protection of Personal Information, 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., or surveys/research (surveys/analysis related to

entrance examination improvements and reasons for applying; including analysis using the enrollees' personal information after enrollment).

- (3) Tasks related to entrance examinations and academic affairs may be outsourced by Tohoku University to third-party contractors (hereafter, "contractors"). If personal information is provided in whole or in part to contractors, necessary measures will be taken to ensure it is handled appropriately in accordance with the relevant university regulations, such as the National University Corporation Tohoku University Policy on the Protection of Personal Information.

9. Educational Data Usage

Tohoku University strives to use Educational Data including personal information stored in the information system in education and learning activities, effectively and appropriately in compliance with our "Statement on Educational Data Usage," "Policy on Educational Data Usage," and "Tohoku University's 8 Principles of Educational Data Acquisition" while paying attention to the protection of personal information.

After being admitted to the university, students' personal information, such as entrance exam scores etc., is merged with the university's Educational Data.

URL : <https://www.tohoku.ac.jp/japanese/studentinfo/education/08/education0801/>

10. Important Notes

- (1) "Laboratory introduction" (listing the specialties offered in each field) is available on the website (<https://www.eng.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/procedure/doctoral.html>). Please refer to it when submitting your application.
- (2) Submitted application documents and examination fees cannot be returned.
- (3) If you do not receive your examination admission ticket by ten days prior to the examination date, please contact the office of department for which you wish to apply (see the Remarks of Appendix) in advance.
- (4) All other inquiries regarding application for admission should likewise be made to the Graduate Academic Affairs Section, Graduate School of Engineering.
- (5) Applicants desiring consultation regarding the need for assistance or other considerations in taking the examination or conducting your studies should make written application indicating the items listed below (no special format). Be assured that such a request will in no way prejudice the outcome of the selection process, as all applicants will be treated fairly.

*Deadline for consultation: As a rule, no later than Monday, May 25, 2026.

*Information to be indicated in making application:

- (a) Name, address, and phone number of applicant
- (b) University, etc. from which the applicant has graduated
- (c) Any special considerations desired when taking examination
- (d) Any special considerations desired in the study environment

- (e) Nature of considerations provided up to now
 - (f) Other relevant information about daily life circumstances
 - (g) Reference materials (if currently under medical treatment, enclose a medical certificate issued by your physician)
- (6) Tohoku University has established Tohoku University Security Export Control Regulations based on the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act, and screens each submitted application when we accept international students in our university. In the event that their research plans apply to the regulatory concerns, above mentioned students may not be able to receive desired education and their research themes may be limited.

April 2026

Graduate Academic Affairs Section
Graduate School of Engineering
Tohoku University
6-6-04 Aramaki Aza Aoba, Aoba-ku, Sendai, Miyagi 980-8579, Japan
Phone: +81-22-795-5820
Email: eng-in@grp.tohoku.ac.jp

Department : Mechanical Systems Engineering, Finemechanics, Robotics, Aerospace Engineering

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Selection to be made separately by the department.			Department inquiries: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Academic Affairs Section Phone: +81 22-795-7030
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	English		At the time of application, submit an original TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition score are also accepted. Applicants who are native English speakers who wish to be exempt from submitting English score documents must contact the Academic Affairs Section Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering by May 29, 2026 for guidance on the necessary procedures.	
	Oral test	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27	Presentation on master's thesis or equivalent study and research plans, followed by questions about presentation contents.	Since there are some items to be confirmed before application, please be sure to consult with the faculty member who will be accepting you in advance. The oral test and interview will be conducted in person.
	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27	At the same time of the oral test. Interview about reasons for applying, etc.	Details will be provided in the materials enclosed with the examination admission ticket. Department inquiries: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Academic Affairs Section Phone: +81 22-795-7030
Special Selection Program for International Students	English		At the time of application, submit an original TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition score are also accepted. Applicants who are native English speakers who wish to be exempt from submitting English score documents must contact the Academic Affairs Section Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering by May 29, 2026 for guidance on the necessary procedures.	It is "failed" if the submitted score does not meet the following requirement. (79 for TOEFL-iBT, or 730 for TOEIC)
	Oral test	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27	Presentation on master's thesis or equivalent study and research plans, followed by questions about presentation contents.	Since there are some items to be confirmed before application, please be sure to consult with the faculty member who will be accepting you in advance. The oral test and interview will be conducted online.
	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27	At the same time of the oral test. Interview about reasons for applying, etc.	Details will be provided in the materials enclosed with the examination admission ticket. Department inquiries: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Academic Affairs Section Phone: +81 22-795-7030
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Oral test	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27	Presentation on master's thesis or equivalent study and research plans, followed by questions about presentation contents.	Since there are some items to be confirmed before application, please be sure to consult with the faculty member who will be accepting you in advance. The oral test and interview will be conducted in person.
	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27	At the same time of the oral test. Interview about reasons for applying, etc.	Details will be provided in the materials enclosed with the examination admission ticket. Department inquiries: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Academic Affairs Section Phone: +81 22-795-7030

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Selection to be made separately by the department.			Department inquiries: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Academic Affairs Section Phone: +81-22-795-7030
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	English		At the time of application, submit an original TOEFL® TOEIC® or IELTS score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home edition is acceptable. Applicants whose native tongue is English should contact the department individually before the application.	
	Math A	Tue., Aug. 25, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. (Meeting time: 9:30)	Differential and Integral Calculus, Linear Algebra, Vector Analysis.	(1) The written and interview examination may be waived depending on the applicant's record as indicated on transcripts. For more details, please contact your prospective supervisor.
	Math B	Tue., Aug. 25, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.	Ordinary Differential Equations, Partial Differential Equations, Fourier Series and Fourier Transforms, Laplace Transforms	(2) The scopes of the subjects can be inquired of the department or confirmed at the website below. https://www.qse.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/admission_graduate.html
	Special Selection Program for International Students	Interview	Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	<Research presentation and Q&A (20 minutes presentation, 15 minutes Q&A, etc.)> Presentation about your study so far, such as the contents of your master's thesis. After that, a question-and-answer session will be held. Subsequently, an oral examination, concerning specialized subjects, will be held. In some cases, English proficiency will be evaluated. <Oral examination (in 15 minutes)> The scope of the specialized subjects include two subjects from mechanical engineering, materials engineering, chemical engineering, nuclear engineering and radiation engineering, depending on the applicant's specialization.
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	<Research presentation and Q&A (20 minutes presentation, 15 minutes Q&A, etc.)> Presentation about your study so far, such as the contents of your master's thesis. After that, a question-and-answer session will be held. Subsequently, an oral examination, concerning specialized subjects, will be held. In some cases, English proficiency will be evaluated. <Oral examination (in 15 minutes)> The scope of the mathematics questions is the same as the scope of Mathematics A and Mathematics B shown above. The specialized subjects include two subjects from mechanical engineering, materials engineering, chemical engineering, nuclear engineering and radiation engineering, depending on the applicant's specialization.	The oral examination may be waived depending on the applicant's career. Contact your prospective supervisor for more detail. Department inquiries: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Academic Affairs Section Phone: +81-22-795-7030

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Selection to be made separately by the department.			
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools Special Selection Program for International Students	English		At the time of application, submit TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted.	(1) The written testing may be waived depending on the applicant's record as indicated on transcripts. (2) On the scope of each subject, inquire with the department or confirm with the website below. https://www.ecei.tohoku.ac.jp/ecei_web/admission/ (3) Calculators or devices such as watches or mobile phones with calculation or communication functions are not allowed in the examination room. Department inquiries: Electronic Information System and Applied Physics Academic Affairs Section Phone: 022-795-7186
	Basic and specialized subjects	Tue., Aug. 25, 9:40 a.m to 12:10 p.m. (Meeting time 9:00 a.m.)	Choice of 3 questions from the following 6 areas: electromagnetics, electrical circuits, computer hardware, computer software, physics, basic mathematics.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	Approx. 20-minute presentation about your university education or master's thesis, and research plans after entering this program, etc. Bring five copies of support materials with you.	
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Interview	Wed., Aug. 25 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	Approx. 20-minute presentation about studies up to now and research plans after entering this program. Bring five copies of support materials with you.	Department inquiries: Electronic Information System and Applied Physics Academic Affairs Section Phone: 022-795-7186

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Interview	Wed, Aug. 26, (time indicated by the department)		The field-specific interview may be held before the entrance exam (late August). (Details will be announced separately).
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	English		At the time of application, submit an original TOEFL® TOEIC® or IELTS score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted.	The written test will be waived for applicants with sufficient qualifications. The field-specific interview may be held before the entrance exam (late August). (Details will be announced separately). Calculators or devices such as watches or mobile phones with calculation or communication functions are not allowed in the examination room. Department inquiries: Electronic Information System and Applied Physics Academic Affairs Section Phone: 022-795-7186
	Basic subjects	Tue., Aug. 25, 9:30 to 11:45 a.m.	3 questions : mechanics, electromagnetism, quantum mechanics,	
	Specialized subjects	Tue., Aug. 25, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.	2 questions: statistical mechanics, condensed matter physics.	
	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation on master's thesis for 10 min. and oral test.	
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation on research for 10 min. and oral test. English ability may also be asked about.	The field-specific interview may be held before the entrance exam (late August). (Details will be announced separately). Candidates can take the interview exam online. Please consult with your potential host professor before submitting your application. Department inquiries: Electronic Information System and Applied Physics Academic Affairs Section Phone: 022-795-7186
Special Selection Program for International Students	English		At the time of application, submit an original TOEFL® TOEIC® or IELTS score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition score are also accepted. (Students whose native tongue is English should contact the department individually.)	The written test will be waived for applicants with sufficient qualifications. The field-specific interview may be held before the entrance exam (late August). (Details will be announced separately). Calculators or devices such as watches or mobile phones with calculation or communication functions are not allowed in the examination room. Candidates can take the interview exam online. Please consult with your potential host professor before submitting your application. Department inquiries: Electronic Information System and Applied Physics Academic Affairs Section Phone: 022-795-7186
	Basic subjects	Tue., Aug. 25 (time indicated by the department)	3 questions : mechanics, electromagnetism, quantum mechanics. English translations provided as necessary.	
	Specialized subjects	Tue., Aug. 25 (time indicated by the department)	2 questions: statistical mechanics, condensed matter physics. English translations provided as necessary.	
	Interview	Wed., Aug. 26 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation on research for 10 min. and oral test.	

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Selection to be made separately by the department.			Department inquiries: Applied Chemistry, Chemical Engineering and Biomolecular Engineering Academic Affairs Section Office: 022-795-7205 Website: https://www.che.tohoku.ac.jp/index-j.html
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	Basic subjects	100 minutes, Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26	Choice of 2 questions from Total of 4 (inorganic chemistry, physical chemistry, organic chemistry and mathematics)	
	Interview test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation and oral examination of master's thesis and doctoral research. (Some of the questions are in English)	
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Interview test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 (time indicated by the department)	Research presentation and oral test	
Special Selection Program for International Students	Basic subjects	100 minutes, Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26	Choice of 2 questions from Total of 4 (inorganic chemistry, physical chemistry, organic chemistry and mathematics)	
	Interview test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation and oral examination of master's thesis and doctoral research.	

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Selection to be made separately by the department.			
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	English		At the time of application, submit TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted.	(1) Please refer to the following website to ensure further details, especially the types of English scores to meet the admission requirement. https://www.material.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/index.html (2) The English test may be waived for those who have completed master's programs at this school.
	General field-specific subjects	40 minutes. Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Oral test in physics, chemistry, materials chemistry, materials properties of matter, and materials processing.	(3) Schedules etc. will be notified individually. (4) Be sure to confirm your selection category with the prospective professor.
	Designated field-specific subjects	40 minutes. Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Oral presentation about master's thesis or research conducted after completing master's degree.	*Contact the department for more information or check on the following homepage https://www.material.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/index.html *Inquire with the department for details. Academic Affairs Section: 022-795-7373
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	English		At the time of application, submit TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted.	(1) Please refer to the following website to ensure further details, especially the types of English scores to meet the admission requirement. https://www.material.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/index.html (2) Submission of TOEFL®/TOEIC® score sheet may be waived for qualified applicants. Ask your prospective professor for details.
	General field-specific subjects	40 minutes. Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Oral test in physics, chemistry, materials chemistry, materials properties of matter, and materials processing.	(3) Schedules etc. will be notified individually. (4) Be sure to confirm your selection category with the prospective professor.
	Designated field-specific subjects	40 minutes. Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Oral presentation about research conducted up to now or master's thesis.	*Contact the department for more information or check on the following homepage https://www.material.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/index.html *Inquire with the department for details. Academic Affairs Section: 022-795-7373
Special Selection Program for International Students	English		At the time of application, submit TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted. Students whose native tongue is English should contact the department individually	(1) Please refer to the following website to ensure further details, especially the types of English scores to meet the admission requirement. https://www.material.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/index.html (2) Schedules etc. will be notified individually.
	General field-specific subjects	40 minutes. Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Oral test in physics, chemistry, materials chemistry, materials properties of matter, and materials processing.	(3) Be sure to confirm your selection category with the prospective professor. *Contact the department for more information or check on the following homepage https://www.material.tohoku.ac.jp/admission/index.html
	Designated field-specific subjects	40 minutes. Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Oral presentation about research to date or master's thesis (in English or Japanese).	*Inquire with the department for details. Academic Affairs Section: 022-795-7373

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26	Ask questions about the contents of the master's thesis and research plans after admission.	<p>(1) Use of calculators, dictionary or devices such as with calculation or communication functions are not allowed in the examination room</p> <p>(2) Time and place of the oral test and the interview will be notified by department. In addition, for applicants from overseas, oral examinations and interviews may be conducted online.</p> <p>(3) See the following website for more information. https://www.civil.tohoku.ac.jp/english/admission/index.html</p> <p>Department inquiries: Civil Engineering and Architecture Academic Affairs Section Phone: 022-795-7489</p>
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	English		At the time of application, submit TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted.	
	Oral test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26	Within 15-minute presentation on master's thesis (completed or in progress; may use PC), followed by questions about the presentation contents.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26		
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Short essay	Tue., Aug. 25 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.	Topics related to civil and environmental engineering	
	Oral test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26	Within 15-minute presentation on research or work at the place of employment (may use PC), followed by questions about the presentation contents.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26		
Special Selection Program for International Students	English		At the time of application, submit an original TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet. TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are not accepted.	
	Oral test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26	Within 15-minute presentation on master's thesis (completed or in progress; may use PC), followed by questions about the presentation contents.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26		

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Screening of application document		Research plans	<p>(1) Time and place of the interview and the oral test will be notified by the department.</p> <p>(2) Oral tests and interviews online May be implemented.</p> <p>(3) An additional assignment may need to be submitted according to the situation.</p> <p>(4) Inquire with the department for details.</p> <p>Department inquiries: Civil Engineering and Architecture Academic Affairs Section Phone 022-795-7489</p>
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)		
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	Oral test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation on master's thesis or equivalent study and research plans (may use PC), followed by questions about presentation contents.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	At the same time of the oral test.	
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Oral test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation on research plans(may use PC), followed by questions about presentation contents.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	At the same time of the oral test.	
Special Selection Program for International Students	Oral test	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	Presentation on master's thesis or equivalent study and research plans (may use PC), followed by questions about presentation contents.	
	Interview	Tue., Aug. 25 or Wed., Aug. 26 or Thu., Aug. 27 (time indicated by the department)	At the same time of the oral test.	

Selection	Test Subjects	Date and Time	Description	Remarks
Program for Current Master's Students at Tohoku University	Selection to be made separately by the department.			
Regular Program for Incoming Students from Other Schools	English		At the time of application, submit TOEFL® or TOEIC® score sheet TOEFL iBT Home Edition scores are also accepted.	The date and time of the oral examination will be notified by the department. Department inquiries: Office: 022-795-3863 Website: https://www.most.tohoku.ac.jp
Special Selection Program for International Students	Oral examination	Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	A presentation on past research and future research plans after entering the program, followed by questions about the presentation and related topics.	
Special Selection Program for Working Adults	Oral examination	Tue., Aug. 25 to Thu., Aug. 27	Presentation on research work up to now and plans for research after entering program, followed by questions on presentation contents, etc.	