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\sim Advanced Graduate Courses for International Students \sim

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[1. Profile of the University]

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①Course	International Bioscience and Biotechnology Course Program			
②D e g r e e	Integrated doctoral program (35 yrs)			
③Graduate Course, Department	Dept. of Life Science, Graduate School of Bioscience and Biotechnology, Tokyo Institute of Technology Address:4259 Nagatsuta-cho, Midori-ku, Yokohama 226-8501, Japan			
 ④Collaboration (Universities, Graduate courses, Departments) 	Tokyo Institute of Technology Graduate School of Bioscience & Biotechnology Dept. of Life Science Dept. of Biological Sciences Dept. of Biological Information Dept. of Bioengineering Dept. of Biomolecular Engineering			
⑤Quota	18 (include: 7 MEXT's Scholarship students) (include 8 Japanese students)			
©Faculties	67 (Full-time(only for this course): 55 Full-time(at the department offering this course): 7 / Part-time: 5)			
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[3. Contents of the Course]

Outline of the program

Research on biological science and technology is now facing a fierce competition worldwide. One of the important challenges in the field is to foster human resources with enough skills to develop and perform the various core technologies of global standards. Regarding the outstanding development in Asia especially in the field, it has a great significance that Japan takes a leading role in fostering high-level human resources. In such global dynamics, Graduate School of Bioscience and Biotechnology, Tokyo Institute of Technology, by launching a new program "International Bioscience and Biotechnology Course Program" within our "Integrated Doctoral Program" aims to foster mainly the excellent Asian students in its various and sophisticated educational programs by letting them learn the forefront of science and technology which will become a base of medical and environmental industries, the future important fields relative to bioscience and biotechnology. At the same time, by deepening an exchange between international students and Japanese students, we turn out high level researchers and engineers who will flourish as leaders nationally and globally.

Contents of the program

"International Bioscience and Biotechnology Course Program" aims to enhance the students' wide knowledge and culture in the field of bioscience and biotechnology. The contents relating to students' educational research are basically conducted all in English.

1) Curriculum

- In order to provide an open opportunity to learn various specialties in bioscience and biotechnology at students' own will, lectures of wide range will all be held in English and all the special subjects are open to both international and Japanese students.
- Lectures to learn Japanese culture are offered in English as recommended subjects within the school academic framework for international students.
- Lectures to learn Japanese language are offered as elective subjects within the school academic framework for the international students who wish to work in Japan after the completion of the course.
- Internship at research institutes or corporations in Japan is offered as a compulsory subject.
- Directed Collaboration Works are offered as compulsory subjects at Art and Crafts Education and Research Support Center at Suzukakedai campus. Through the joint academic activities with Japanese students, we enhance the students' international understanding as well as creativity necessary to become leaders in the field of science and technology in the future.

The program will be held under the schedule written below.

1-1.5 yrs		23 yrs	
Lectures in Japanese (option)	Internship		
Creativity-inspiring subjects		PhD thesis work	
Subjects related to Japan	ese culture		
Main s	ubjects		
10.020.00	n Bioscience and Biotechn	ology (Journal Club)	

2) Requirements for completion of the course

- a. A student must be certified a Master's degree while attending the course, and he/she must attend a graduate course for more than 3 years.
- b. A student must acquire more than 26 credits of special and general subjects shown below. (Colloquium and internship are not counted.) *See the chart below.
- c. A student must acquire more than 4 credits of Bio-Internship. (Bio-Internship: 3-6 months project at research institutes or corporations in Japan.) *compulsory
- d. A student must acquire 2 credits of Directed Collaboration Works. *compulsory
- e. A student must take all of the required colloquium credits while attending the course.
- f. A student must pass mid-term examination. Doctoral thesis review and final examination. Also, to receive a Master's degree while attending the course, a student is required to acquire

30 credits of all colloquiums, special and general subjects and then to pass the examination of the report session. Students who are admitted to obtain Master's degree must take the qualifying

examination for doctoral course immediately, and those who pass it will become students of doctoral course.

Special/General Subjects (conducted in English)			
Advanced Bioorganic Chemistry	Advanced Biology		
Advanced Molecular Biology	Advanced Biotechnology Frontiers		
Advanced Bioengineering	Advanced Biochemistry		
Advanced Life Science Frontiers	Asymmetric Synthesis		
Advanced Cell Biochemistry	Advanced Biophysical Chemistry		
Bioscience and Biotechnology Topics 1	Bio-nanomechanics		
Bioscience and Biotechnology Topics 2	Genome-based Drug Discovery		
Synthesis of Bioactive Substances	Topics on Japan, advanced cource		
Bio-Internship I	Bio-Internship II		
Advanced Course of Biological	Structure and Function of Biological		
Recognition and Signaling	Supramolecules		
Directed Collaboration Works	Japanese		
Bioscience and Biotechnology	Advanced Course of Bioscience		
International Communication	Communication		
Seminar : Language and Culture I	Seminar : Language and Culture II		
English Academic Reading	English Academic Writing		
Advanced Oral Expression in English	English Academic Presentation		

3) Tutorial for Doctoral Thesis

Regarding the tutorial for doctoral thesis, each student is guided by the research guidance committee, which consists of three members; a principal teaching staff of the course, an assisting teaching staff of other laboratory, and one mentor from the university of their graduation.

In addition, before coming to Japan, each student is given a preliminary program guided by a principal teaching staff according to his/her needs. After his/her joining of the program in Japan, both the teaching staff of the course and his/her principal teaching staff give guidance for registration.

4) Follow-up System

On a periodic basis, all the teaching staff of the course share the responsibility for giving advices to each student regarding his/her career plan and academic life. Through these, we improve each subject as well as the instructional contents of the research guidance committee. As a school system at large, both International Student Center and Student Support Division also take a role in counseling, mental health care and career plan support. Additionally, we also follow up students after their completion of the course with continuous care and instruction.

Eligible Countries, Subscription and Selection Process

Eligible Countries:

Asian countries, especially the countries where there are centers of Tokyo Tech (China including Hong Kong, Korea and ASEAN countries.)

Subscription Process:

For those applicants who are nominated from the universities of our partnership or other principal universities of Asian countries, teaching staff of the graduate school will make a direct interview test on their English language skills and their specialties. Also, the teaching staff of this course will make interviews several times through the internet, followed by the submission of the required documents by the applicants.

Selection Process:

The applicants are to be evaluated based on their academic records including English language skills at their graduating schools, their English proficiency performed at the interviews, their academic skills in the filed, their potential for research performance as well as their future objective and ideas. The final decision on the successful candidates is determined from the top candidates within the course capacity.