2006 The International Priority Graduate Programs (PGP)

\sim Advanced Graduate Courses for International Students \sim

[1. Profile of the University]

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[2. Outline of the Course]

Educational Program through International Collaboration on Architecture and Urban Design			
Master of Engineering (2 years)			
Department of Architecture and Building Engineering			
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None			
20 (include MEXT's Scholarship Students: 5) (include Japanese : 12)			
22 (Full-time(only for this course):16 Full-time(at the department offering this course):5 Parttime: 1)			
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[3. Contens of the Course]

General Information

This program is specially tailored to meet the needs of young architects and architectural students from abroad and home. More and more younger generation in Europe and the United states as well as in other areas in the world has become interested in the design scene in Japan, especially in big cities such as Tokyo. The state-of-the-art designs expressed on the buildings there backed by advanced technology have attracted them. This program gives them an opportunity to delve into such design activities in Japan and helps them to gain higher design skills and architectural thoughts, offering design studios, filed works, workshops, and intensive research programs. Japanese students also join this special program. Working together, students with different cultural background can stir up and get a deeper understanding of other way of design and ideas.

All the lectures, degree juries, and administration in this program are basically offered in English. The program is enhanced by various measures and environments including expert lectures and project supervision by short-term visiting professors from affiliated overseas universities, Web-based lectures using internet, international exchange workshop for Urban & Architectural design, IT design station, teaching assistantship of foreign research students, and exchange of students with affiliated universities. These measures and environments would strengthen the effect of collaborative study and mutual enlightenment amongst foreign and Japanese students, making the department more globalized and competitive and generating a strong international network of young leaders of architects/ engineers/ researchers.

The particulars of the Program

1) The aim of the program

Architectural activities are worldwide now. It is important for younger generation to think of their future with a wide and an inter-cultural view. In order to train leading architects, engineers and researchers who can play an important part in the world design and technological scene, this program offers a special course that comprises of joint classes for design studios and research workshops by an international group of foreign and Japanese students. Based on an understanding of each cultural background, such joint programs can contribute to enhancing the student's ability through discussions with colleagues and instructors.

2) The degree conferred

This program is solely for master course students. The degree conferred at the graduation is Master of Engineering.

3) Application to the program

Applicants to this program are required to first make a contact with an academic advisor in the Department of Architecture and building Engineering. The names and specialties of the academic advisors who can discuss what the applicant wants to do are shown in Homepage of the Department of Architecture and Building Engineering, Tokyo Tech (http://www.arch.titech.ac.jp/arch/etop.html). To reach one of them, first email to the contact person, Professor H. Fujioka, who is in charge of the program of the department. He will introduce one of them according to the applicant's request.

To get a future academic advisor's recommendation needed to apply to this program, applicants should show him/her portfolios and a study plan in Japan written in English. Both are carefully evaluated. If portfolios include collaborative works, applicants should define their role in the project. Having been through the process above mentioned, applicants are to submit required forms listed on page 6 in "Tokyo Institute of Technology International Graduate program 2007 Applications from abroad" on Homepage at Tokyo Tech website by December 20. Be sure to carefully check the eligibility on page 4 of the application guidance.

4)Curriculum

Because the Architectural Design Course in the Department of Architecture and Building Engineering is chiefly in charge of the program, the lectures, design studios and workshops are offered by the course. The curriculum of the course is shown at the end of this format. They are basically conducted in English. The flowchart of the program is shown in figure 1.

5) Supporting system for the students

Every student in this program will have academic advisor to help the student study in Japan. The advisor gives advice regarding academic matters as well as Japanese culture and lifestyle. A sub-advisor will assist each student.

6) Disclosure of the accomplishments and external evaluation of the program

Every year, a report to show what has done in the program will be published in English. The activities of the program will be externally evaluated by professors and architectural specialists including from abroad. The evaluation will be disclosed at Homepage of the Department of Architecture and Building Engineering, Tokyo Tech. It also will be used to help revise the program.

