

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Establishment of a New Tuition Waiver Program for Privately Financed International Students

Tokyo University of the Arts will establish a new tuition waiver program for international students enrolling at the University from April 2027 (Academic Year 2027) onward. This program aims to further promote the acceptance of outstanding international students and to provide an environment in which they can focus on their studies and research.

The new tuition waiver program will be primarily based on academic merit. Applicants will be comprehensively evaluated based on entrance examination results, academic performance, study progress, and outstanding achievements in academic, artistic, or other related activities. Tuition waivers will be granted to students who are recognized as particularly excellent.

Purpose of the Program

This program is intended to:

- Further promote the acceptance of outstanding international students
- Encourage academic and research excellence
- Enhance the University's international educational and research environment

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants required to meet all of the following eligibility :

- Hold (or be expected to obtain) a 'Student' status of residence in Japan
- Not receive tuition support through a Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship, a foreign government scholarship, or any other program that covers tuition fees
- Not receive tuition assistance equivalent to tuition fees from another organization

The following students are not eligible to apply:

- Non-regular students
- Students who have not earned the required number of credits
- Students who are repeating a year
- Students who have been enrolled beyond the standard course period

Exception:

- Those who have repeated a year or have exceeded the standard period of study for less than one year may be accepted for some special reason.
- In addition, a further one-year exception may be granted only when the President of the University determines that there are truly unavoidable reason.

Cases of Sudden Changes in Household Finances

Students whose primary financial supporter has passed away within one year prior to the tuition fee payment deadline may apply on the grounds of a sudden change in household circumstances.

*However, this criterion does not apply to cases where the applicant or his/her spouse is financially independent and identified as the key income producer of the household, even if the applicant's parents have passed away.

Eligible Students

	Category	Eligible Applicants
New student	Undergraduate, Practical Music Course, Graduate Students	Students whose entrance examination results rank within the top 50% of all successful applicants in their department (undergraduate), Research Division (Practical Music Course), major (Master's Program), or research field (Doctoral Program).
Current student (enrolling in 2027 AY and thereafter)	Undergraduate	Students whose cumulative GPA up to the previous semester is in the top 50% or higher of their year group.
	Practical Music Course	Students whose academic record up to the previous term place them in the top 50% or higher of their year group.
	Graduate Students	Students who have earned grades of "Excellent (Yu)" or higher in at least 75% of their total accumulated credits.

Selection Process

The following factors will be comprehensively evaluated:

- Entrance examination results (for new students)
- Academic performance
- Study progress and enrollment status
- Outstanding achievements in academic, artistic, or related activities
- Other factors deemed necessary by the University

Categories of Tuition Waiver

Applicants will be ranked according to their overall evaluation. Based on this ranking and within the limits of the available budget, a full tuition fee exemption or a half tuition fee exemption will be granted.

Effective Date

This new program will apply to students enrolling in the Academic Year 2027 and thereafter.

Note: *Students enrolling in the 2026 Academic Year or earlier are eligible for tuition fee exemptions under the current system until they graduate from their current course. (Cannot apply for the new tuition fee exemption program.)

Application Period and Procedures

Application Period:

- 1st Semester: Early April
- 2nd Semester: Early September

Details regarding the application procedures and required documents will be announced on the University's website and through other official channels in late February.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact us.

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