



Spring, 2026

Application Guidelines for  
International Joint Graduate Program in Materials  
Science  
Tohoku University



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in Materials Science

### 1. Number of places for GP-MS applicants

The Graduate Program in Materials Science (GP-MS) will offer places to several graduate students for the course starting April 2026.

### 2. Application Requirements

Applicants should be graduate students enrolled either in the Graduate School of Engineering, Graduate School of Science, Graduate School of Environmental Studies, or Graduate School of Biomedical Engineering at Tohoku University and satisfy the following requirements:

- As of April 1st, 2026, students who will be in the second year of their master's program are preferred.

Students in the first year of their master's program with a clear intention to proceed to the doctoral program in the field of materials science are acceptable to apply.

Applicants must be enrolled for more than three years at the start of the program.

- Those who have a plan for a doctoral research project related to materials science to be undertaken with international joint supervision, with a strong recommendation from the current academic supervisor, and recognized as appropriate for joining the GP-MS program

Since this program is an integrated educational program consisting of the master's program and doctoral program, students not intending to go on to the doctoral program are ineligible to apply.

In addition to this program, it is possible to apply for other international graduate programs simultaneously. If you have passed multiple programs and wish to take multiple courses, whether it is possible or not shall be considered individually.

### 3. Application Procedure

Application period:

**Monday, January 19 to Friday, January 23, 2026**

9 am to 4 pm

Address for submission:

GP-MS Office

#4F Materials Collaborative Research Building (B04)

[Postal Mail]

Application documents should be received by the GP-MS Office **no later than Friday, January 23, 2026.**

Send by registered mail, indicating “GP-MS Application” in red on the envelope.

Mail to:

GP-MS Office


Graduate School of Engineering, Tohoku University

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[E-mail]

Application documents should be received by the GP-MS Office **no later than Friday, January 23, 2026.**

Submit to: [gpm-s-office@grp.tohoku.ac.jp](mailto:gpm-s-office@grp.tohoku.ac.jp)

 A recommendation letter must be sent by email directly from the academic advisor.

\*After submission by e-mail, the Program Support Office will e-mail a confirmation of receipt within 3 days. If you do not receive a receipt confirmation e-mail, please contact us.

#### 4. Application Documents

Applicants should submit the following materials:

- Application Form (Form A)
- Statement of Purpose (Form B)
- Recommendation Letter from your Prospective Supervisor (sealed) (Form C)
- Original copy/copies of your Academic Transcript (Bachelor's and Master's if applicable)
  - Attach a translation in Japanese or English if the documents are in a foreign language besides English. (Translation can be done by the applicant him/herself)
- Scanned score sheet of English proficiency test if you have (TOEFL ITP®Test, TOEFL iBT®Test, TOEIC®Test, etc.)
  - ※TOEFL ITP ®Test will be conducted later for those who don't have the scores within the last 2 years

Notes:

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Application materials will not be returned.

#### 5. Screening

Applicants will be accepted or not based on the screening of the submitted documents and the interview.

(Interview candidates may be selected based on the screening of the documents.)

Interview:

It will be taken on **Wednesday, February 25 and Thursday, February 26, 2026**.

※The details will be announced individually, and there is a possibility of the date change.

TOEFL ITP ®Test:

It will be conducted for those who don't have the score in the last 2 years, and those who request.

※The schedules may change. We will inform you of the details by email.

#### 6. Announcement of Result

The screening result will be emailed to each applicant on **Monday, March 16, 2026**.

#### 7. Financial Support

To encourage application by excellent students from inside and outside of Japan and to allow successful applicants to plan and practice independent and original research, GP-MS will provide financial support to the graduate students selected for this program. The salary amount will be determined in accordance with the rules of Tohoku University.

If you are currently receiving a scholarship or financial support, consult us in advance to avoid violation of any regulation pertaining to such.

In principle, apply for "JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientists" (DC)

#### 8. Degree Requirements

To complete this program, students need to satisfy the program-specific requirements in addition to the general degree requirements of their graduate school.

For more information, please refer to the website of the International Joint Graduate School of Materials Science (<http://gp-ms.tohoku.ac.jp/>).

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