

2027 Application Guide Professional Degree Program School of Public Health (Professional Graduate School) (1 year & 2 year courses) Graduate School of Medicine, the University of Tokyo

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Education & research aims

The aims of the Graduate School of Medicine are to promote advanced research that will contribute to breakthroughs in our understanding of the mechanisms of life, conquest of diseases, and improvements in health, as well as to produce international leaders in various medical fields who possess outstanding scholastic competence and a high level of creative research ability.

Admission Policy

The Graduate School of Medicine is looking for the following traits in prospective students:

- Individuals with a fundamental knowledge of medicine who are capable of engaging in creative research directed towards achieving breakthroughs in our understanding of life, overcoming diseases, promoting recovery, and improving health.
- Individuals capable of pioneering the future of medicine using clear, logical analytical skills and an ability to think outside the box.
- Individuals with the potential to become international leaders in their respective fields of medicine based on advanced knowledge and research skills acquired at the Graduate School of Medicine.

The Professional Degree Program at the School of Public Health (professional graduate school) aims to produce highly-advanced professionals capable of performing leadership roles in the field of public health in order to maintain, promote and restore health as well as enhancing the quality of life of a broad range of people including patients, local residents, and the nation .

The School of Public Health is a professional graduate school which aims to develop highly-advanced public health professionals capable of meeting the challenges described above, in addition to providing refresher education. The School therefore offers a standard two year course targeting regular new faculty graduates, as well as a one year course for working students with a certain degree of experience. The requirements for working students emphasize both practical experience and the length of this experience in the healthcare field. For details, refer to the eligibility criteria listed below, and the attached 'Entrance Examination Guideline'.

Upon successfully competing either of these courses, students will receive a Master of Public Health Degree.

1. Eligibility criteria

Prospective students must satisfy the following eligibility criteria and, in the case of the one year course, must possess separately-specified practical experience in the healthcare field (Note 1).

- (1) Persons who have graduated or are expected to graduate from a Japanese university by 31 March 2027. (Note 2)
- (2) Persons who have completed, or are expected to complete sixteen years of school education abroad by 31 March 2027. (Note 3)
- (3) Persons who have been conferred a degree equivalent to that of a bachelor's degree or are expected to be conferred on or before March 31, 2027 from a foreign university or other foreign institution (limited to those whose comprehensive status of education and research activities have been assessed by the government of the said foreign country or a related organization), having completed a program with a completion period of 3 years or more. (Note 3)
- (4) Persons who are designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology or persons who have graduated or are expected to graduate by March 31, 2027 from an educational institution designated by the Minister. (Note 4)
- (5) Persons who have been conferred a bachelor's degree or are expected to have conferred on or before March 31, 2027 by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education (NIAD).
- (6) Persons who are 22 years or older on March 31, 2027, whom this graduate school has recognized through individual screening of entrance qualifications, as having abilities that are at least equivalent to those who have graduated from a Japanese university. (Note 2) (Note 5)

(Note 1)

As for eligibility criteria, required practical experience may vary according to the applicant's academic history including employment requirements. Refer to the School of Public Health's 'Entrance Examination Guideline' for details.

(Note 2)

Japanese universities mentioned in Eligibilities (1) and (6) above are universities within the boundaries of Japan and as prescribed in Article 83 of the School Education Law.

(Note 3)

Eligibilities (2) and (3) above includes the case of having completed a correspondence program provided by a foreign school of said country while residing in Japan.

(Note 4)

Those as mentioned in Eligibility (4) above referred to any who have graduated from the following schools or educational institutions.

- The undergraduate program of a foreign school's Japan branch as designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- Specialized training college designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to programs where the program duration is at least 4 years and which satisfies standards determined by the Minister)
- Universities under the old university ordinances, or higher educational institutions (daigakko) under the national/provincial/independent administrative agency ordinances

(Note 5)

- 1) Those mentioned in Eligibility (6) above refers to those who do not fall into any of the Eligibilities (1) through (5) above but have graduated from an educational institution equivalent to a 4-year university, and whom this graduate school has recognized, through individual screening of entrance qualifications, as having abilities that are at least equivalent to those who have graduated from a Japanese university.
- 2) Those who wish to apply based on Eligibility (6) above must submit all the documents specified by the administrative department of this graduate school by Friday, 5 June, 2026 as the eligibility for application is confirmed individually in advance by document screening. Please inquire the administrative department of the graduate school in advance about the eligibility for application and the documents to be submitted. Eligibility review result will be notified by Email around Friday, 12 June, 2026.

- 3) Those who are recognized as having abilities that are at least equivalent to those who have graduated from a Japanese university through screening of entrance qualification will be permitted to apply and take the entrance examination.

2. Admission criteria

Admission shall be determined based on a comprehensive judgment of the academic performance of the school they came from, the results of other documents screening, written examination and oral exam and so on.

3. Exam subjects and quotas

Department	Course	Written Exam Subjects		Oral Examination	Quota
		Foreign Language	Specialized Subject		
School of Public Health	2 year course	English :TOEFL score is to be used. (*1)	Following three subjects: ① General Statistics ② Specialized fields: • Compulsory (Required): - Epidemiology - Preventive Medicine • Elective (Select 4 out of the following 7 fields): - Medical statistics - Health education - Mental health - Medical ethics - Medical law - Biomedical Informatics - Health Policy ③ Short Essay	An oral examination will be given to those who pass the written examination.	30 About 20 (2 year course) About 10 (1 year course)
	1 year course				

Notes:

(*1) For details, see the "Foreign Language Requirement for the Entrance Examination for the Professional Degree Program, the School of Public Health" in attached documents.

- (1) Depending on the exam results, the number of admitted students may be less than the quota.
- (2) Applicants for the 1 year course who cannot be accepted in the 1 year course may be accepted as applicants for the 2 year course. Those who wish to do so have to check the appropriate box on the application form.
- (3) For the contents of Specialized Subject, see the 'Entrance Examination Guideline' for more details.

4. Exam dates & venues

Department	Course	Written exam	Announcement of written exam results	Oral exam
School of Public Health	2 year course	Mon, 17 August 2026	3:00 p.m. Wed, 19 August 2026	Thu, 20 August 2026
	1 year course			

Notes:

- (1) Each applicant will be notified around the beginning of August, 2026 by Email about the time and place of the examination.
- (2) Information regarding those who pass the written examination will be posted on the website (<http://www.m.u-tokyo.ac.jp/index.html>).

5. Announcement of successful applicants & admission procedures

- (1) A list of successful applicants will be posted on the website (<http://www.m.u-tokyo.ac.jp/index.html>) at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, 4 September 2026.
- (2) Those who pass the examinations will receive an admission certificate via the Web Application System in early September 2026. Instructions on how to receive the certificate will be announced on the Graduate School's website, so please be sure to check it.
- (3) Admission Certificate recipients are required to complete the necessary admission procedures (i.e., payment of admission fees and submission of admission forms) in accordance with the Admission Procedure Guide that will be sent to the Email address indicated in the application form in late February within a designated period on early March, 2027.
Failure to complete the admission procedures shall be regarded as refusal of admission.
- (4) Estimated costs of admission in 2027
(International students with a Japanese Government [*Monbukagakusho*: MEXT] Scholarship are exempt from these fees)
 - ① Admission fee: ¥282,000 (estimated)
 - ② Tuition fee: ¥267,900 (annual tuition fee of ¥535,800; estimated)

The above fees are estimates only. Any revisions to student fees upon admission or during enrollment shall become effective immediately.

6. Application procedure

- (1) Applications must be submitted online. For details, please refer to the Graduate School's website. (URL: <https://www.m.u-tokyo.ac.jp/daigakuin/apply/appguidemain.html>)
- (2) Acceptance period
From Friday, June 19, 2026, until 11:59 PM on Monday, June 29, 2026 (JST).
- (3) Contact Information
Graduate Student Section, Graduate School of Medicine, the University of Tokyo
7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan 113-0033
in.m@gs.mail.u-tokyo.ac.jp

(4) Application documents

Document	Who should submit	Description
a. Application Form	All applicants	<p>Follow the instructions of the Web Application System and enter all required information accurately.</p> <p>Since communications regarding entrance examinations will be sent via email, please ensure that you provide an email address where you can be reached at all times.</p>
b. Digital ID photo	All applicants	<p>Follow the instructions of the Web Application System to upload your digital ID photo data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •File Format: Only JPG (JPEG) format is accepted. •Photo Requirements: The photo must be clear, showing the applicant's upper body and face looking forward. The applicant must be shown alone without any headwear (except for religious or medical reasons) against a plain background. The photo must be taken within three months prior to application. •Important Notes on Photo Quality: The photo data will be used for your Examination Admission Card and to verify your identity during the examination. Do not process or edit the image. Please note that if your identity cannot be confirmed, you may not be allowed to continue with the examination. •Use of Photo After Admission: The photo data will also be used for your Student ID card upon successful admission.
c. Exam fee (¥30,000)	<p>All applicants (<i>Japanese Government [Monbukagakusho: MEXT] Scholarship</i> students are exempt)</p> <p>* <i>Monbukagakusho</i> Scholarship students currently enrolled at a different university must submit their official scholarship certificate.</p>	<p>Upload the file(s) in accordance with the instructions provided by the Web Application System.</p> <p>The exam fee must be paid at a bank branch or convenience store, or by credit card. The applicant is responsible for any fees or charges associated with the payment.</p> <p>Bank transfer: Fill out the designated Transfer Request Form and submit it together with the exam fee at your nearest bank branch. The payment cannot be made at a Japan Post Bank (<i>Yucho Ginko</i>), post office, ATM, or via the internet. The bank will give you the Transfer Receipt (<i>'Furikomikin Uketorisho'</i>; Form B) which you should retain for your own records, and the Certificate of Transfer Receipt (<i>'Furikomikin Uketsuke Shomeisho'</i>; Form C) which you should submit.</p> <p>Convenience store & credit card payments: Refer to the attachment '<i>How to Pay the Graduate School of Medicine Exam Fee at a Convenience Store or by Credit Card</i>' for details on how to make the payment.</p>

d. Certificate of Monbukagakusho Scholarship Student	Monbukagakusho Scholarship Student [Excluding those currently enrolled in this Graduate School (including Research Students)]	Upload the file(s) in accordance with the instructions provided by the Web Application System. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The certificate must include the scholarship period.
e. Academic transcript/s	All applicants	Upload the following documents via the Web Application System in accordance with the instructions below. 1) Upload a scanned copy (PDF) of the original document. Upon admission, the original paper document (the physical certificate that was scanned and uploaded at the time of application) must be submitted during the admission procedures. 2) Upload the following academic transcripts issued by your university (bearing the official university seal). If you have multiple transcripts, please combine them into a single PDF file. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must certify bachelor's results (including liberal arts courses). • In the case of students graduating from universities outside Japan, please submit transcripts in English. If documents cannot be submitted in English, you must submit English translation of transcripts provided by official agencies. • If the applicant has changed the applicant's university or participated in exchange programs and if the applicant's home university does not report grades earned, name of courses and dates of attendance, he/she must include official transcripts from all the former universities or colleges.
f. (Anticipated) Certificate of graduation	ALL applicants	Upload the following documents via the Web Application System in accordance with the instructions below. 1) Upload a scanned copy (PDF) of the original document. Upon admission, the original paper document (the physical certificate that was scanned and uploaded at the time of application) must be submitted during the admission procedures. 2) Upload the following (Anticipated) Certificate of graduation issued by your university (bearing the official university seal). If you have multiple transcripts, please combine them into a single PDF file. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the case of students graduating from universities outside Japan, please submit certificate in English. If documents cannot be submitted in English, you must submit English translation of transcripts provided by official agencies. The degree acquired must be indicated. If the name and the date of the degree awarded are contained in the Official Transcript, applicants do not have to submit the Official Proof of Graduation.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit a certificate of the degree conferred, created by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation if you have been awarded a degree from the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation..
g. Score report of TOEFL	ALL applicants	The details of the submission procedures are provided in the Web Application System and in the attached document titled "Foreign Language Requirement for the Entrance Examination for the Professional Degree Program, the School of Public Health."
h. Certificate of employment (format optional)	1 year course only	Upload the following documents via the Web Application System in accordance with the instructions below. Must be issued by the applicant's immediate manager and attest to the fact that the applicant has at least 3 years of practical experience. ^{Note)}
i. Study Plan	Only required for those who wish to maintain their employment at a government office, school, hospital or private company during enrollment	Upload the following documents via the Web Application System in accordance with the instructions below. Summarize your intended study plan in two A4 pages, and write 'Study Plan' along with your name and page number at the top left of each page.
j. Proof of change in name	if applicable	Upload the following documents via the Web Application System in accordance with the instructions below. If any certificate to be submitted is issued under a former surname or name, you must upload a document verifying the name change (e.g. Certificate of Individual Records, Certificate of Acceptance of Marriage Report).
k. Certificate of Japanese language ability	Non-Japanese applicants only [NOT required for those who have graduated or are expected to graduate from a Japanese university]	Upload the following documents via the Web Application System in accordance with the instructions below. Must be issued by a Japanese instructor or equivalent person who is able to objectively assess your Japanese language ability. Alternatively, a certificate issued by a Japanese language school is also acceptable. Those who have taken the '日本語検定試験' (Japanese Language Examination) may instead submit a copy of their test certificate.

Note

Required practical experience may vary according to the applicant's academic history including employment requirements. Refer to the School of Public Health's ' Entrance Examination Guideline ' for details.

7. Other important points

- (1) The examination card will be issued in early July 2026 via your My Page on the Web Application System; please print it out and bring it with you on the day of the examination. The "Notes on the Examination" will be sent separately to the email address provided in your application. If you cannot confirm these at least 4 days before the examination, contact our office (indicated in section 6.(3)) for instructions.
- (2) Following the submission of application documents, changes to the documents or the refund of exam fees will not be allowed under any circumstances. Once application documents are received, they are not returnable.
- (3) You may upload a certificate of your professional experience issued by the head of your institution (any format is acceptable) and/or copies of your publications, such as papers and reports, in addition to the documents listed in section 6. (4) Application Documents.
- (4) Those who wish to maintain their employment at a government office, school, hospital, or private company during enrollment are required to submit a consent form (format optional) from their employer when completing the admission procedures according to 5(3) above, to the fact that they will enter our school maintaining the employment.
- (5) International students are required to obtain the appropriate visa according to the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act (Cabinet Order No. 319 of 1951) prior to undertaking the admission procedures.
- (6) Admission fees shall not be refunded under any circumstances following the completion of admission procedures.
- (7) The University of Tokyo provides reasonable accommodations to ensure that individuals with disabilities are not disadvantaged during entrance examinations and studies after enrollment, and provides consultations for this purpose. Those who wish to request accommodations for entrance examinations should contact the administrative office indicated in section 6.(3) by 5 June, 2026. Although requests made after the above deadline will still be considered, it is recommended that applicants send their requests well in advance as it may not be possible to provide certain accommodations without sufficient preparation time. (Please refer to the following website for more details: <https://www.m.u-tokyo.ac.jp/daigakuin/apply/appguidemain.html>)
- (8) Names, addresses, or other personal information obtained from applications will be used for: ① screening of applicants (application processing & screening); ② the announcement of successful applicants; and ③ tasks related to admission procedures. This personal information will also be used for: ① academic affairs (enrollment records, learning etc.); ② student support (health management, employment assistance, applications for scholarships and exemption from tuition fees, use of libraries, etc.); and ③ collection of tuition fees.
- (9) If any false statement or forgery in the application documents, or if there is clear evidence that there was any fraudulent activity during the examination, that student's admittance may be canceled even after passing the examination or the enrollment.
- (10) The examination results used in the selection of entrants may be used in future studies for the improvement of both the entrance examination and the education at the University of Tokyo.
- (11) The University of Tokyo has established the "The University of Tokyo Security Export Control Regulations" in accordance with Japan's "Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act", and rigorously implements security export control for potential students before and after their enrollment on the basis of these regulations. In particular, pre-enrollment screenings are mandatory for all international students and also for Japanese students in certain circumstances. Please be aware that applicants who fall under any of the conditions set out in the Act may not receive permission to enroll at the university or may have their research activities restricted after their enrollment even if they have passed the entrance examinations.

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