

Degree Programs Conducted in English

**Osaka University, Graduate School of Engineering
offers the following Master's Degree programs
which are conducted in English
[Enrollment in October 2016]
For Privately Financed International Students**

The Osaka University Graduate School of Engineering (GSE) offers the following special programs which are conducted in English. The programs encompass both master's and doctoral courses. Students are expected to enroll in both courses sequentially to obtain both the master's and doctoral degrees.

Note: This application is different from the one sponsored by the Japanese Government Scholarship. Applicants are not guaranteed to be supported by any scholarships.

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Biotechnology Global Human Resource Development Program

1. Program Summary

The aim of this program is to expose young scientists to state-of-the-art research techniques and in-depth knowledge of advanced biology, chemistry, physics and bioengineering, so that they may harness the potential of biotechnology applicable to Japanese industries as well as academia.

2. Important Program Features

- (1) English will be used for all the lectures, instructions, and research-related activities.
In the Basic Courses, students will acquire a solid background in advanced biotechnology. In the Project-based Training Course students will acquire the ability to design and execute research in a critical manner. In the Advanced Research Proposal Course students will acquire the ability to propose original research plans independently as a scientist. Through immersion in Special Research students will have ample time during the remaining four years to attain their Master's and Doctoral Degrees in Engineering.
- (2) The Basic Courses, which will be held in the first semester of the master's program, will deal with a wide range of subjects: advanced biotechnology, and basics and applications in the fields of "Biotechnology," "Life Science," and "Biochemistry."
- (3) In the first semester of the master's program, students will take the Project-based Training Course. This course is designed to prepare students as research engineers with the ability to conceive innovative ideas, by synthesizing knowledge from different disciplines and the techniques for devising research plans towards realizing the ideas. In this course, each student will choose one laboratory different from their own, and will produce a short-term research work under the supervision of the professor of that laboratory.
- (4) All students will conduct their Special Research in the second, third, and fourth semester of the master's program, under the supervision and instruction of his/her professor.
- (5) In the first semester of the doctoral program, students will take the Advanced Research Proposal Course. This course is designed to prepare students as research scientist with the ability to propose original research plans independently, so that they can complete their doctoral dissertation. In this course, each student will propose a research plan in a field different from their own, make a presentation, and have discussions with members of faculty, and doctoral program students of the related fields to gain diversified/multiple perspectives. During the period of the doctor program, the student will devote themselves to Special Research while expanding their knowledge by taking the Advanced Biotechnology Exercise and Advanced Biotechnology Seminar courses.
- (6) For Special Research in the master's and doctoral programs, each student will choose one laboratory among Bioenvironmental Science (Watanabe Lab.), Cell Technology (Muranaka Lab.), Bioprocess Systems Engineering (Kino-oka Lab.), Bioresource Engineering (Fukusaki Lab.), Molecular Biotechnology (Omasa Lab.) , Biomolecular Science and Engineering (Nagai Lab.), and Applied Microbiology (Fujiyama Lab.). Students can change their laboratory after completion of the master's program, if they wish to do so.
- (7) Improving Japanese skill is also required during the course. N4 level Japanese Language Proficiency Test is required for obtaining the master's degree and N3 level is required for obtaining the doctoral degree.

3. Requirements for the Completion of the Course and Obtaining the Degree

(1) Master's Program

- ① Requirements for completion of the program: completion of two compulsory courses, the

Project-based Training Course, and Safety Education Course for a total of no less than 30 credits; completion of Special Research; N4 level certificate of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test; acceptance of the master's thesis by the faculty; and successful passing of the final examination of the course.

② Degree: Master of Engineering

(2) Doctoral Program

① Requirements for completion of the program: completion of one compulsory course and the Advanced Research Proposal Course, and Special Research, for a total of no less than six credits; N3 level certificate of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test; satisfactory performance in the mid-term review of the Special Research; defense of the doctoral dissertation; and the final examination of the program.

② Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

4. Number of Students to be Admitted

10

5. Program HP

http://www.bio.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/gh_resour_prog/index.html

Chemical Science Course

1. Summary of Program

The present Chemical Science Course (CSC) at the Graduate School of Engineering offers postgraduate students for both your Masters and Doctoral degrees covering all aspects of "Chemistry", the center of science. "Chemistry" provides the broad and indispensable basis of our materials society, and keys for the future.

2. Important Program Features

- (1) English will be used in all lectures, instructions, and research-related activities.
- (2) In the first and second semesters, students will acquire and establish a fundamental basis for applied chemistry through 18 intensive courses given by over 40 professors in the fields of Physical Chemistry, Synthetic Chemistry, and Biological Chemistry. From the second year, the program is geared towards developing the ability for each student to carry out creative scientific research. As such, the single most important element of the curriculum for any individual is his/her own research project.
- (3) Also in the initial semester, students will choose their research director, with the guidance of the faculty members and the advisory board of the course, and will select their thesis advisor after completing the rotation of working with different faculty members over a few weeks. Thereafter, students will become involved in library research on their projects and will soon begin actual experimental or theoretical work. The supervisor will be assigned from the professors in the Department of Applied Chemistry
(check the website of the department:
http://www.chem.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/appl/eng/index_e.html).
Students can also choose the supervisor from one of the professors in Physical Chemistry for Life Science Lab., Chemistry on Supra Molecular Recognition Lab., Chemical Biology Lab., and Bio functional Chemistry Lab. in the Department of Material and Life Sciences (check the website of the department:
http://www.chem.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/appl/eng/CSC_e/index_e.html)
- (4) In keeping with the goal of fostering an atmosphere of scholarly, independent study, formal course requirements are minimal and vary among disciplines; advisors tailor course requirements to best prepare each student for their chosen research field. For example, a student who chooses to specialize in physical chemistry is normally expected to take four ~ six courses during the first semester chosen from such topics as Statistical Mechanics, Polymer Physics, Interactions of Radiation with Matter, Electrochemistry, and many more; an organic chemistry student will chose from the fields of Synthetic Chemistry, Physical Organic Chemistry, Homogeneous Catalysis (transition-metal catalysts as well as organic catalysts), Heterogeneous Catalysis, and so on. Students are expected to learn the basic principles of synthetic transformation, organic reaction mechanisms, and physical organic chemistry including molecular orbital theory through such courses.

3. Requirements for the Completion of the Course and Obtaining the Degree

(1) Master's Program

- ① Requirements for completion of the program: completion of elective courses in the present program for a total of no less than 30 credits; completion of Special Research; acceptance of the master's thesis by the faculty; and successful passing of the final examination of the course.
- ② Degree: Master of Engineering

(2) Doctoral Program

- ① Requirements for completion of the program: completion of one compulsory course of

Research Proposal Contest and elective Applied Chemistry, Adv.3 and 4 for a total of no less than six credits; satisfactory performance in the mid-term review of the Special Research; successful defense of the doctoral dissertation; and successful passing of the final examination of the program.

- ② Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

4. Number of Students to be Admitted

Max. 10

5. Program HP

http://www.chem.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/appl/eng/CSC_e/index_e.html

International Priority Graduate Program of “Quantum Engineering Design Course”

1. Program Summary

The aim of this program is to equip a new generation of young scientists with fundamental knowledge and cutting-edge research skills to realize quantum engineering design.

2. Important Program Features

- (1) All students will conduct research under the direct supervision and instruction of a professor or an associate professor. Each student will choose one research theme from the following categories:

- ① Creation of Frontier Mathematical Methods'
- ② Elucidation of Emergent Material Function
- ③ Realization of New Generation Functional Materials

- (2) The following are some of the lectures and seminars offered in the master's course:

Solid State Physics
Surface and Interface Science
Advanced Numerical Analysis
Topics in Quantum Simulation
Computational Science I
Design of Functional Materials and Composites
Tutorials on Computational Nano-materials Design
Molecular Electronic Engineering
Basic Solid State Physics
Plasma Engineering for Nano Technologies
Theoretical Materials Science
Solid State Theory I
Analytical Dynamics
Near Field Nano Engineering
Chemical Reaction Dynamics I
Semiconductor Physics
Selected Topics in Quantum Physics of Solids
Special topics of extremely high precision machining
Advanced Computational Mechanics
Advanced Theoretical Solid Mechanics
Fusion Physics
Quantum Optoelectronics
Atomically Controlled Surface Processing
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar I
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar II
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar III
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar IV
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar V
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar VI

- (3) The following are some of the lectures and seminars offered in the doctoral course:

Special Topics in Solid State Physics
Advanced Surface Physics
Advanced Nonlinear Systems Analysis

Computational Physics
Advanced Technological Innovation
Tutorials on Computational Nano-materials Design
Advanced Integrated Electronics Engineering
Materials Science, Adv.
Overview of Ultra Precision machining
Atomically Controlled Materials Processing
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar for Advanced Researches I
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar for Advanced Researches II
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar for Advanced Researches III
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar for Advanced Researches IV
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar for Advanced Researches V
Quantum Engineering Design Seminar for Advanced Researches VI

3. Requirements for the Completion of the Course and Obtaining the Degree

(1) Master's Course

- ① Requirements: Completion of lectures and seminars corresponding to no less than 30 credits; completion of Special Research; submission and defense of the master's thesis; and passing the final examination of the course.
- ② Degree: Master of Engineering

(2) Doctoral Course

- ① Requirements: Completion of lectures and seminars corresponding to no less than six credits; completion of Special Research; successful defense of the doctoral dissertation; and passing the final examination of the course.
- ② Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

4. Number of Students to be Admitted

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5. Program HP

<http://www.dyn.ap.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/QEDC/home.html>

International Program of Maritime and Urban Engineering

1. Program Summary

The aim of this program is to educate students to become young scientists of the new generation with basic knowledge and state-of-the-art research skills necessary for: disaster prevention; protection of marine and urban environments; development of new energy and energy-saving technologies; and for the realization of a synthesized scheme of space, ocean and land.

2. Important Program Features

- (1) English will be used in lectures, instructions, and research-related activities. In the Basic Courses in the first year, students will acquire a solid background in maritime and urban engineering. Through immersion in Special Research, students will have ample time during the remaining four years to attain their Master's and Doctoral degrees in Engineering. The Basic Courses in the first two semesters consist of specially designed lectures which can be categorized into the following three systems.

- 1) Disaster Prevention and Safety Engineering
- 2) Environmental Symbiosis and Energy Saving
- 3) Development and Design of Space, Land and Ocean

Each student can take these specially designed lectures or the lectures to be provided by preexisting courses of Naval Architecture & Ocean Engineering, Civil Engineering, and Architectural Engineering.

- (2) Students will conduct their Special Research from the third semester (the second year) of the master's program under the supervision and instruction of their professors. In this scheme, each student will choose one research theme from the following categories:

- ① Marine Interdisciplinary Engineering
- ② Comprehensive Spatial Design
- ③ Urban Synthetic System Design
- ④ Naval Architecture
- ⑤ Ocean Systems Engineering
- ⑥ Structural and Geotechnical Engineering
- ⑦ Civil and Social Systems Engineering
- ⑧ Architectural Structures and Strength
- ⑨ Environmental and Human Engineering in Architecture

- (3) In the master's program, students will be encouraged to participate in the cross-boundary special seminars and make a presentation on the progress of their Special Research. At the end of the master's program, the achievement and academic level will be checked.

If the level does not meet certain criteria, they will go through a short-term intensive course for further education.

- (4) When starting the doctoral program, students will propose the research plan by themselves, review the state-of-the-art in their desired research theme, and make their presentation which will be followed by discussions with professors and associate/assistant professors.
- (5) During the period of the doctoral program students will conduct the Special Research, while expanding their knowledge by attending lectures and seminars. Each student will be required to make a presentation (at least once during the doctoral program) on the progress of the Special Research at the international research meeting which will be organized, prepared, and chaired by students every year.

3. Requirements for the Completion of the Course and Obtaining the Degree

(1) Master's Program

- ① Requirements for completion of the course: Completion of lectures and seminars corresponding to no less than 30 credits; completion of Special Research; submission and defense of the master's thesis ; and successful passing of the final examination of the program.
- ② Degree: Master of Engineering

(2) Doctoral Program

- ① Requirements for completion of the program: Completion of lectures and seminars corresponding to no less than four credits; satisfactory performance in Qualification Test Part I ; defense of the doctoral dissertation; and passing of Qualification Test Part II of the program.
- ② Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

4. Number of Students to be Admitted

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5. Program HP

<http://maritime-urban.naoe.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/>

6. Application Requirements (The following items are common to the 4 programs)

- (1) This entrance examination is for those with the “Student” residence status. Those with other residence statuses are not eligible to apply for the entrance examination.
However, those who will change their residence status to “Student” prior to enrollment may apply.
(Only for Chemical Science Course): Those with Japanese nationality are eligible to apply for the examination as well.
- (2) Education : Applicants must fulfill one of the following qualifications:
 - ① The applicant has graduated, or is expected to graduate by September 30, 2016, from a Japanese university.
 - ② The applicant has completed, or is expected to complete by September 30, 2016, 16 years of formal education.
 - ③ The applicant is at least 22 years of age as of September 30, 2016, and is recognized as possessing academic abilities equivalent to those of university graduates, by passing “the Preliminary Examination of Applicant’s Qualifications” conducted by the Osaka University.
- (3) In the Qualifications for Application mentioned above, those who fall under ③ must take the “Preliminary Examination of Applicant’s Qualification” in advance.
Such students must consult the International Student Affairs Section at the Student Affairs Division (referred to as “ISAS” hereinafter) by October 8, 2015 for fall examination or April 15, 2016 for spring examination. The ISAS will announce details concerning the documents required for this procedure. Applicants will be informed of the result as soon as they are available.
- (4) Language ability: Applicants must have a good command of English. Those whose formal education has been conducted in a language other than English must submit a certificate of English proficiency. Acceptable certificates include TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS and CPE official test scores.
- (5) Health: Applicants must be physically and mentally healthy enough to pursue study at university.

Notes: Admission will be revoked if the student is not able to arrive in Japan by the designated date.

7. Application Procedure

- (1) Web Application System
Applicants must visit the following URL and complete the necessary processes.
- (2) Period of Application
The entrance examination will be held twice.
 - ① **October 23 to November 19, 2015 4:00 pm (Japan time) in Fall**
 - ② **May 1 to May 27, 2016 4:00 pm (Japan time) in Spring**
- (3) URL
<https://e-apply.jp/n/osaka-u-gseng>
- (4) Basic Workflow in this Web Application System
 - ① Visit the URL
 - ② Registration: Click “**Registration**”, fill out the necessary items and finish the process.
 - ③ Application: when applicants receive an e-mail confirming the registration above

②, visit the designated URL to continue further requirements.

- ※ Applicants should fill out the necessary items and upload the following required materials. After completing the process, press “**Submit**” button on the Web Application System.
- ※ Applicants must complete “**Recommendation**” term to request the letter of recommendation,
- ④ Payment of Application fee: when applicants receive a confirmation e-mail against above ③, visit the designated URL for the payment process and complete it by the application deadline.
- ※ If the above Application process ③ is not processed correctly, the applicant will receive an e-mail notifying errors. Applicants should correct or refill and complete the process according to the suggested notice and instructions.
After modifying errors, press “**Submit**” button on the Web Application System again.
- ※ The Japanese Government Scholarship Students doesn’t need to pay the application fee.
- ⑤ Applicants will receive a confirmation e-mail when the payment has been cleared up.
- ⑥ Click “**Generate PDF**” print the PDF, and submit it together with the required documents written in (5) by airmail to ISAS. For further information, please check the following explanation (5).
- ※ **Applicants applying the Web Application System should do so at least one week prior to the application deadline to take into account the time for approval from ISAS and for recommenders to prepare recommendation letters.**

(5) Submission of Forms and Certificates

Applicants need to upload all the required documents through the web application system. Once the Web Application procedure has been completed, please submit the following documents by airmail. The documents should be submitted to ISAS by **November 26 for fall examination or June 3 2016 for spring examination.**

- ① Application Form
- ② Certificate of (Expected) Graduation Completion
- ③ Certified Academic Record
- ④ Certificate of English Proficiency
- ⑤ Letter of Recommendation (The recommenders can send the letter directly to ISAS.

Your application can be finally authorized when we receive all documents above via airmail by the deadline on November 26 for fall examination or June 3, 2016 for spring examination. Be sure to complete the above requirements without delay

(6) Forms and Certificates to Submit

All the materials should be uploaded on the web application.

| Materials | Details |
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| (1) Application Form | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants must print out the file of “Generate PDF” from the Web Application System.• A photograph (4cm×3cm) should be affixed to the first page.(It is also required to upload the photo data on |

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| | the web application system.) It should be taken within the last 3 months and should show the upper part of the body, no hat, frontal pose. |
| (2) Statement of Purpose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Statement of Purpose from the applicant (no more than three double-spaced, typed pages on A4 paper), stating their research proposal |
| (3) Certificate of (Expected) Graduation Completion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please submit a certificate or certified true copy of certificate from the last school the applicant attended. The certificate should be the original document (not a copy). <p>Not required for those who have graduated from the Osaka University School of Engineering / Graduate School of Engineering.</p> <p>※If you (will) have a master's degree, please submit the original certificate of (expected) graduation/completion for both bachelor's and master's degrees.</p> <p>※If your last school issues a graduation (completion) certificate and a degree certificate in separate sheets, please submit both in the original form.</p> |
| (4) Certified Academic Records | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please submit certified Academic Records from the last school the applicant attended. The transcript should be the original document (not a copy). <p>Not required for those who have graduated from the Osaka University School of Engineering / Graduate School of Engineering.</p> <p>※If you already have a master's degree, please submit certified Academic Records for both bachelor's and master's degrees, certified by the university the applicant attended.</p> |
| (5) Certificate of English proficiency | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attaching TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS or CPE official test scores as certification is strongly recommended. <p>※Applicants who have graduated from a university where English is the main language of instruction are exempt from submitting a certificate of English proficiency.</p> |
| (6) Letter of Recommendation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The applicant must require 2 recommendations from 2 separate recommender i.e. one per recommender. The letter should be addressed to the President of Osaka University from the direct supervisor of the university the applicant attended, the employer if the applicant works in, or the current supervisor. <p>※Be sure to inform your recommenders of the above reason for issuing the letter.</p> <p>※Ask your recommenders to prepare the letter of recommendation before applying the Web Application System.</p> |

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| (7) Certificate of Citizenship (A4 size paper) | • The applicant can submit a copy of the passport as well. |
| (8) A copy of your Residence Card (or Alien Registration Card) | • Required only for those who have a status of residence in Japan. • It must specify your residence status, period of stay, and current address. |
| (9) Abstract of Graduation Thesis | • The abstract of the applicant's graduation thesis or equivalent document, including figures etc. |

Notes on submission:

- (1) Application documents should be written in English. For documents in a language other than English, an English translation must be attached.
- (2) Applicants need to pay the application fee, JPY 30,000 by a credit card through Web Application System. If those who don't have any credit cards or the third party will pay the fee as your proxy, contact ISAS for the payment method in advance.
- (3) Applicants should contact the recommender(s) before applying for the Web Application System. Applicants should bear in mind that how long the recommender(s) will take time to issue the letter of recommendation.
- (4) Examination Certificate will be sent to the applicant by e-mail.
- (5) Once application documents have been received, they will not be returned.

8. Selection and Announcement of the Results

- (1) For those who will apply for entrance examination in Fall 2015
 - ① Screening for applicants who do not reside in Japan will be conducted by reviewing the application materials, while screening for applicants who do reside in Japan will be conducted via an interview and academic examination, within the period from the end of November to the beginning of December, 2015.
 - ② The examinee's number of successful applicants will be posted on the Graduate School Admissions page of the Osaka University School/Graduate School of Engineering website after **2 p.m. on December 18 (Fri.), 2015**.
- (2) For those who will apply for entrance examination in Spring 2016
 - ① Screening for applicants who do not reside in Japan will be conducted by reviewing the application materials and documents submitted, while screening for applicants who do reside in Japan will be conducted via an interview and academic examination in early June, 2016.
 - ② A notification will be sent by the end of June, 2016 to successful applicants to the address specified in their application form.

9. Admission Fee and Tuition:

- (1) Admission fee: 282,000 JPY
- (2) Tuition: 535,800 JPY / year

Notes:

- (1) The bank transfer fee is to be paid by the applicant.
- (2) The amount of the admission fee and tuition are subject to change. Amendments to fees will be applied from the date of amendment.

10. Semester Starting Date

October 1, 2016

※The classes may start at a later date.

11. Notes for Applicants

- (1) Incomplete documents will not be accepted.
- (2) The content of submitted documents cannot be changed after the application procedure has been completed.
- (3) Any documents submitted upon application will not be returned unless otherwise mentioned in the guidelines.
- (4) Application fee is non-refundable, excluding the following cases ① to ⑤. In such a case, please contact the ISAS.
 - ① The applicant paid an application fee but was judged unqualified for application.
 - ② Application documents arrived after the application deadline and were refused.
 - ③ There were deficiencies in the application documents, and therefore were not accepted.
 - ④ Applicant paid an application fee but did not apply.
 - ⑤ The applicant paid their application fee twice by mistake.
- (5) Applications may be rejected or admission may be revoked even after matriculation, if any information or material in the application is found to be fraudulent.
- (6) Contact the ISAS at the following address by November 19 (Thu), 2015 (fall) or by May 27 (Fri), 2016 (spring), if you have any physical disabilities and need assistance when taking exams and/or in taking courses of study after enrollment in Osaka University.
- (7) On-campus parking spaces for cars and motorcycles are not available on the day of examination. Please use public transportation.
- (8) Successful applicants are strongly advised to learn about Japan (the people, society, culture, and geography) as well as the university prior to his/her arrival in Japan.
- (9) For any questions concerning the application procedure, please contact the ISAS freely.

12. Policy on Handling Personal Information

- (1) Names, addresses, and other personal information obtained through the application procedure will be used in the Entrance Examination Process, in the Announcement of the List of Successful Applicants, in the Admission Procedures, and in the distribution of program leaflets. For those admitted into Osaka University, personal information will also be used in academic-related matters (such as keeping academic and registration records), in student support matters (such as health care management, school fee remissions, scholarship applications, career support, etc.), and in school fee management.
- (2) Information obtained through the entrance examination will be used in statistical analysis of examination results, and in research on admission methods.

13. Inquiries and Further Information

All inquiries to:

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