

**2018 Guidelines for Applicants
for the Double Degree Program
between Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (TUAT)
and the University of California, Davis (UC Davis)**

Students are invited to apply for the participation in the double degree program based on the agreement between TUAT and UC Davis.

Since the conclusion of an inter-university partnership agreement in 2002, TUAT and UC Davis have conducted a lot of educational partnership programs. On the basis of these accomplishments, we have established a double degree program for the master's course since 2015. Combining the features of UC Davis' coursework-focused MSII program (nine months) and those of TUAT's research-focused master's course (two years), this degree program allows you to obtain two master's degrees from both universities in the minimum of two years.

1. Host university

University of California, Davis (UC Davis) in the U.S.A.

2. Program outline

While in TUAT, you will go to study at UC Davis for nine months (basic period: October 1, 2019 to June 15, 2020) and eventually obtain master's degrees from both universities. It will take two to three years to finish the program, including the period of studying abroad. At UC Davis, you are required to take the MSII program and obtain 24 credits for course subjects and 12 credits for research activities.

3. Quota

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4. Application and Selection at TUAT

(1) Application qualifications (Foreign students included)

① Those who are expected to enter the Graduate School of Agriculture, the Graduate School of Engineering, or the Graduate School of Bio-Applications and Systems Engineering in April 2019.

② Those who are expected to be in the master's course, the consistent doctoral

course (first/second year), or the professional degree course in April 2019.

③ Those who have maintained outstanding academic performance over years

④ Those who have one of the following scores:

TOEFL: 550 (PBT or ITP) / 213 (CBT) / 80 (iBT)

For the admission to UC Davis, TOEFL scores of 600 (PBT; ITP unacceptable) / 250 (CBT) / 100 (iBT) are desirable. Those who do not have any of these scores may be required to meet such requirements by taking the four-week English course given by the UC Davis Extension or taking necessary measures by themselves. They will be responsible for those costs.

You are encouraged to consult your supervisor and (expected) dean in advance. Note that you may not be able to conduct a job search while you are studying abroad.

(2) Application documents

① Application form (Form 1)

② Academic transcript (If you are a senior, a transcript covering the previous three years; if you are a first-year graduate student, a transcript for the undergraduate program)

③ Proof of your English language proficiency (TOEFL • score report; copy acceptable)

④ Research guidance plan of research supervisor (Style Optional)

⑤ Confirmation from the chair of graduate program of the applicant at TUAT

⑥ List of the expected advisers at UC Davis, including, name, department, research area, e-mail address, URL

⑦ Recommendation letter from the adviser of the applicant at TUAT (Style Optional)

(3) Schedule

Application period: September, 2018 to September 10, 2018

Place of submission: Educational Affairs Section, Fuchu Campus

Educational Affairs Section, Koganei Campus

First selection (Screening of documents): Announcement of successful applicants --
Around September 21, 2018

Second selection (Interview): September 26, 2018. From 12:15, Fuchu campus

Notification of selection results: Early October 2018

(4) Selection

First selection: Screening of documents

Applicants will be reviewed comprehensively, based on their academic ability, language proficiency, and application form.

Second selection: Interview

Applicants' qualification for research work, research plan, and willpower will be assessed. They will be asked about their motivation for application, the review of their graduation work or research at graduate school, and their goal/vision of education and research at UC Davis.

5. Selection at UC Davis

Successful applicants of TUAT selection will need to apply to UC Davis for admission during the period between October 2018 and March 2019.

Depending on your preferred major, necessary documents and selection methods may vary. Be sure to visit the following websites for details. Forms for 2019 entrants will be available late September.

Admissions & Application

(<https://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/prospective-students/admissions-application>)

International Applicants

(<https://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/prospective-students/international-applicants>)

Example of application documents at UC Davis (which may vary depending on your major)

- a. TOEFL score
- b. GRE score (See <http://www.ets.org/gre>)
- c. Transcript
- d. Recommendation letters from three teachers
- e. Essays

Essay 1: Your motivation for application

Essay 2: Your personal background

You will be notified of the selection result by UC Davis no later than in February.

6. Program schedule (Shortest possible case)

(1) Students expected to enter TUAT graduate school in April 2019 (All majors except for Department of Industrial Technology and Innovation)

(TUAT: 15 months; UC Davis: 9 months)

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(2) Students who entered TUAT graduate school in April 2017 (All majors except for Department of Industrial Technology and Innovation)

(TUAT: 21 months; UC Davis: 9 months)

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(3) Students expected to enter TUAT graduate school in October 2016/2017

(TUAT: 21 months; UC Davis: 9 months)

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Note: Department of Industrial Technology and Innovation (The Professional Degree Program) will take 4 years to complete.

7. Participating master's courses at UC Davis

- Agricultural and Resource Economics (Master of Science)
- Biological Systems Engineering (Master of Engineering)
- Chemical Engineering (Master of Science)
- Food Science (Master of Science)
- Horticulture and Agronomy (Master of Science)
- Hydrologic Sciences (Master of Science)
- International Agricultural Development (Master of Science)
- Materials Science and Engineering (Master of Engineering)
- Soils and Biogeochemistry (Master of Science)
- Transportation Technology and Policy (Master of Science)

Before you apply in July, you need to determine your major and supervisor at UC Davis. So you are encouraged to collect information on these participating courses. (It would be desirable to contact your preferred supervisor in advance.)

UC Davis graduate programs

<https://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/programs>

8. Expenses

(1) Tuition

Participants in this program have to pay tuition to UC Davis. (Four to five million yen annually in the case of 2017)

(2) Travel and accommodation

In principle, travel and accommodation expenses will be borne by the participants.

(3) Overseas insurance

The participating students have to buy, at their own cost, the overseas insurance designated by TUAT.

9.Contact

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