

2023 Guide to the Doctoral Program Entrance Examination

Department of Architecture, Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo

Special treatment for those cannot come to Japan due to Covid-19 related restrictions

1. Additional Application Documents

Applicants must prepare and submit the following documents in addition to the submission requirements outlined in the Guidelines for Applicants to the 2023 Doctoral Program for Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo. Details of how to submit the additional documents will be announced at the Department of Architecture's website. The website link is <https://arch.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/>.

The acceptance period for each document is as follows.

From August 15 to July 22, 2022.

Document	Applicant	Notes
Research plan summary	Relevant applicants	Applicants, who have completed or are expected to complete a master's degree from the Graduate School of Engineering at the University of Tokyo, must prepare this document using Research Plan Summary (attachment No. 2).
Research plan	Relevant applicants	Applicants, who have completed or are expected to complete a master's degree from a university (except from the Graduate School of Engineering at the University of Tokyo), must use the following attachments corresponding to research divisions of prospective academic supervisors. If you select multiple prospective academic supervisors from the same research division, you are required to prepare and submit a research plan only for the prospective academic supervisor of your first choice. If you select prospective academic supervisors from two different research divisions, you must prepare and submit research plan for each prospective academic supervisor. For example, if prospective academic supervisor from Design is selected as first choice and Planning as second, then you must prepare two separate research plans for each prospective academic supervisor. a) Design: Attachment No. 3A b) Planning: Attachment No. 3B c) History: Attachment No. 3C d) System & Construction: Attachment No. 3D e) Environment: Attachment No. 3E f) Structure & Material: Attachment No. 3F * Attachment No. 3A - 3F will be available from the Department of Architecture's website, https://arch.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/
Portfolio	Relevant applicants	Portfolio submission is required for applicants who meet the following conditions: 1) Applicants' choices for prospective academic supervisors belong to either Design or Planning. 2) Applicants have not completed or are not expected to complete a master's degree from the Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Tokyo. If you select prospective academic supervisors from both Design and Planning research divisions, you are required to create two sets of portfolios for each prospective academic supervisor. Portfolio must be created following the instruction described in Attachment 3A or 3B. In this case, some contents included in both portfolios may allowed to be overlapped.

2. Selection Methods

Selection of students for admission will be based on the first examination and the second examination described below.

1) First Examination

(A) Score proof of English language test

English language test for the entrance examination of Department of Architecture will be based on the official scores of TOEFL, IELTS, or TOEIC submitted by the applicants (our department recommended TOEFL).

(B) Document Screening

The document screening will be conducted based on the following submitted documents: academic transcripts of bachelor's and master's degree from applicants' previous university, research plans, portfolios and letters of recommendation. For those who have completed or are expected to complete a master's degree from the Graduate School of Engineering at the University of Tokyo, the document screening will be waived. Please noted that portfolios are required only for those who select a prospective academic supervisor whose research division is Design or Planning.

(C) Oral Examination

(a) For applicants who have completed or are expected to complete a master's program of the Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Tokyo

Applicants will be asked to answer questions concerning submitted Research plan summary. Applicants are exempt from English proficiency assessment.

(b) For applicant who do not meet the condition described as (a)

Applicants will be asked to answer questions concerning applicants' architectural knowledge, submitted research plan and portfolio. Please noted that portfolios are required for only those who select a prospective academic supervisor whose research area is Design or Planning.

Due to the possibility of conducting the oral examination online, all applicants are required to provide the followings: a quiet environment such as a quiet private room, a good internet connection such as a high-speed network landline, a personal computer with a web camera and microphone, and a smartphone (4G) for emergency contact before the oral examination and the second examination.

2) Second Examination

Applicants will make a presentation of their master's thesis. If master's thesis is not available, research papers, academic projects, or scholarly work may be substituted.

If the applicant's master's thesis is written in Japanese or English, the applicants are required to submit three copies of their master's thesis.

If the master's thesis is written in any other languages, applicants are required to submit one copy of their master's thesis in its original language together with three copies of the summary of their thesis in Japanese or English by the submission deadline indicated in the following section of this guide. The length of the summary is approximately 30 pages at 400 words per page written in A4 format. Details of submission process will be announced on the Department of Architecture's website, <https://arch.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/>.

In addition, applicants who continue from the master's program of this department and enter the doctoral program must follow the submission guideline of this department.

6. Examination Schedule

1) First Examination

The oral examination will be held on Thursday, September 1st, 2022. Further details of the examination date, time will be announced on the website of the Department of Architecture by noon on Wednesday, August 24, 2022.

2) Second Examination

Subject	Target applicant	Date & time	Venue	Important note
Presentation and review of the master thesis *1	All applicants wishing to enter in April 2023	Monday, January 23 in 2023 Tuesday, January 24 in 2023	Online	Detail information of the presentation and board of review will be announced later. The master thesis, research paper that can be replaced by

		(Tentative)		master thesis, and so on must be submitted to the office of the department of architecture, no later than 4 pm, Monday 16th January 2023
	Applicants who wish to enter in October 2022 and expect to complete the master's course of this department in September 2022 *2	Monday morning on August 1 or 2 in 2022	Online	Detail information of the presentation and board of review will be announced later. The master thesis, research paper that can be replaced by master thesis, and so on must be submitted to the office of the department of architecture, no later than 4 pm, Monday 25th July 2022
	Applicants who wish to enter in October 2022 and do not fall under the above fields *2	Thursday morning on September 1 st in 2022	Online	

*1 Those who have completed or are expected to complete the master's program of other than the department of architecture, Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Tokyo must prepare about 20 copies of the dissertation summary, which has no limit to the number of pages and is in Japanese or English, for distribution on the day of the presentation.

*2 The applicants must have obtained or are expected to obtain a Master's degree by September 2022.

7. Additional important information

- (1) All applicants are subject to an identity verification using the photograph on their admission card before or during the examination. Failure to verify your identity may result in disqualification.
- (2) The information in this guide is subject to change due to the situation of the CoVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. Any changes will be announced on the Department of Architecture's website, <https://arch.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/>.
- (3) All applicants are advised to frequently check the Department of Architecture's website, <https://arch.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/> for updates and other related information.