Tokyo Tech-TMDU Matching Fund

Application Guidelines

1. Outline

   With a view to integrating Tokyo Medical and Dental University (TMDU) and Tokyo Institute of Technology (Tokyo Tech), we will promote bottom-up joint research between the two universities and provide research funding to interdisciplinary research teams that include both TMDU and Tokyo Tech researchers.

2. Eligible Research

   Research that combines the ideas, skills, and knowledge of researchers from both universities in a fusion of different fields, that has an excellent concept with potential for future development, and that has a specific theme.

3. Applicant Eligibility

   Those who plan to conduct collaborative research involving two or more fields such as medicine, dentistry, science, engineering, information science, humanities, and social sciences.

   ・ The principal investigator must be employed by Tokyo Tech as a professor, associate professor, lecturer, assistant professor, specially appointed faculty*, or research staff*.
   *Regarding specially appointed faculty and research staff:
   1) Your period of employment must not end during the support period.
   2) If you apply for this support and are selected, you must be able to engage in the research.
   3) If the cost of your employment is covered by external funds, you may apply only after confirming with the principal investigator of the project through which you are employed that receiving this support to carry out research will pose no difficulty for the project (in particular, reduction in funding for personnel, etc.).
   ・ The research team must consist of a Principal Investigator (PI) from either Tokyo Tech or TMDU and a Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI) from the other university, and the PI must apply through his/her/their university.
   ・ The PI must obtain consent from the Co-PI before applying.

4. Research Period
   ・ From the date of commencement of support until July 31, 2024
   ・ Expected start date of support: December 2023 (subject to change depending on the status of the screening)

5. Support Amount

   The PI and Co-PI will each receive 500,000 yen from their home universities.

6.   Number of Selections Planned: Selection of six projects is planned.

7.   Use of Funds
   ・   Funds must be used by the end of the research period, in accordance with Tokyo Tech's rules on execution of funds.
   ・   It is not permitted to use these funds in a way that is not in accordance with the research plan.

8.   Application Procedures
   Apply by the date specified below.
   Submission deadline: Friday, October 13, 2023, 12:00 noon

   Download the Application Form for the Tokyo Tech-TMDU Matching Fund from the following page:
   https://tokyotech.app.box.com/file/1298628193352

   Then upload your application via the following page:
   https://tokyotech.app.box.com/f/d6cad28b3a35461aa004980025c5e2b1

   After uploading your application, go to the Tokyo Tech Slack channel:
   #t2-研産本部-賞支援受付-application-tokyotechgrants
   and use the workflow "**Titech-TMDU Matching Fund**" to notify us of your application.

9.   Screening:
   The screening will be based on a document review of the following aspects of the application:
   (1) Research purpose: Clarity of purpose, academic/practical importance
   (2) Research plan: Precision of approach, likelihood of success
   (3) Potential for future development: Academic/practical development
   (4) Potential for new collaborative research: The possibility that this fund will trigger new and unprecedented collaborative research between the two universities

10.   Report
   After the research period, we will ask you to submit a report on the research results. We may also ask that you report on researcher exchange activities between Tokyo Tech and TMDU. (Details will be provided separately to awardees.)

11. Other
   ・   Specific content of reviews will not be disclosed, and inquiries regarding this will not be answered.
   ・   The fund aims to support research, and does not require collaborative research contracts for application.
   ・   Awardees may be requested to cooperate with us on research promotion and PR activities at Tokyo Tech, reports to donors of the Tokyo Institute of Technology Fund (Tokyo Tech Fund), etc.

- Research themes that include the same content as those accepted by the following two research funds are not eligible.
Interdisciplinary Research Support for Scientists for joint research between Tokyo Tech Institute of Innovative Research and TMDU (Application in November 2022)
Tokyo Tech-TMDU Matching Fund (Application in May 2023)

- Awardees will be required to include an acknowledgement that they were supported by this program and the Tokyo Tech Fund when they publish their research results.

  Example acknowledgement:
  English: This work was supported by the Tokyo Tech-TMDU Matching Fund and Tokyo Tech Fund.
  Japanese: 本研究は東京工業大学・東京医科歯科大学マッチングファンド、東工大基金の助成を受けたものです。

Please note that, in addition to screening purposes, submitted applications may be used for research strategy planning at Tokyo Tech.