

# FAQ for TISP2017

## Application and eligibility

### **1. What are the requirements for applying to TISP?**

Students currently enrolled in a university (undergraduate, graduate or PhD programs), including those who will graduate in June 2017. Participants must be able to attend the program for the whole duration. Moreover, we are more interested in the mindset than a high GPA! Grades do not change the world, you do.

### **2. I am an exchange student studying in Japan, do I meet the requirement?**

If your affiliation is at a university outside Japan, you do meet the requirement and we suggest you to apply. If you are currently an exchange student at UTokyo, we suggest you to apply for the application for students studying in Universities outside Japan. (This year there isn't an official call for UTokyo students. From Japan side, i.school students will join the program.)

### **3. I have just graduated from high school and been offered a place for the Bachelor of AAA, in the University BBB. I'm wondering, as a freshman, whether I can meet the eligibility requirement or not?**

If you can provide us with an official document from the university stating you will start your studies there, you will be eligible to apply. After the selection process is finished, we'll ask the participants to send us the certificate of enrolment.

### **4. I recently graduated from ZZZ University and I will start my master's degree in September at the University YYY. Thus I am not currently enrolled in any university but I will be in September. Am I eligible?**

Yes, you are eligible, if you can provide us with an official document from the university stating you will start your studies there. After the selection process is finished, we'll ask the participants to send us the certificate of enrolment.

### **5. My schedule doesn't allow me to join the fieldwork program. Can I participate just in Tokyo program?**

We have designed the program so that each module contributes to the overall learning objectives. That is to say, by not participating to the whole program would negatively

influence your and your team's learning, so unfortunately we only accept participants who are committed to the whole program.

#### **6. When will you announce the results of the applications?**

The application period is from March 1st to April 10th, 2017(GMT).

We are expecting to announce the results by April 30th 2017 (GMT), but dates may change according to number of applicants.

All applicant will receive their results via e-mail.

We apologize for keeping you waiting, but it takes time for us to read through every application in detail.

#### **7. Will there be any additional call for students after the application period?**

There will be no additional call after the application period closes. Please apply within the application period! Yes, you should apply now!

#### **8. How are the participants chosen?**

We believe diversity and motivation are the key elements to make the program fruitful. Thus participants are chosen in such aspects. If you have motivation towards learning, then we suggest you to apply!

#### **9. The program looks really interesting! Is there a way for me to get study credits from it?**

While we do not offer any study credits for TISP directly, the participants can ask their home university if they can grant credits for participating in TISP. Whether you can get a credit or not, the experience you will gain is surely priceless.

#### **10. What is the commitment during the program?**

To fit academic schedules around the world, TISP has been structured into a very intensive 2-week program. Be prepared for full workshop days in both the Tokyo and Regional Program.

Students are expected to be on time and present for all workshops. That being said, we assure you that the program itself is a great balance of fun and academic learning to make the most of your summer experience in Japan.

## **Travel and Accommodation**

### **1. When shall I be in Tokyo and when shall I leave?**

We ask all students studying in Universities outside Japan to register on July 31st 16:00 at the guest house (to be announced later). We will be back in Tokyo on August 11th. We will not be able to prepare accommodation for the day August 11th, thus participants will be asked to book their own, if leaving the next day according to their flight.

## **Fee Payment and cancel policy**

### **1. When will I pay the participation fee and how?**

The payment will be done by credit card. After your participation is fixed, we'll send you the payment information.

### **2. Do I need to pay cancellation charge if I have to cancel the participation?**

If you cancel within 1 month from the program, or on July 1st or after, then you will not be refunded your fee. If you decide to cancel, please ensure that you notify us by email.

If you notify before the above date, we will return your entire fee less 10% for management costs.

## **Application inside Japan**

### **1. I am a student studying in a university in Japan. Am I eligible?**

This year we accept only students studying outside Japan plus i.school annual students. If you study in Japan, we are sorry but your condition doesn't meet the requirements.

## **Company Participants**

### **1. I'm not a student. I work for AAA company. Is there any way to join the program?**

If your company wants to send you or their people in the program, please check i.school sponsorship program. Please check: <http://ischool.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/>  
Companies can participate in the program as a sponsor.