## 2018 Academic Year Tokyo University of the Arts Graduate School of Global Arts: About the assessment of English language proficiency for a new doctoral program

In the academic year 2018, Tokyo University of the Arts will be launching a new doctoral program in the Graduate School of Global Arts.

The launch of the new project will be finalized with the approval of the Council for University Chartering and School Juridical Person under the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT). Assuming this approval to be granted, and after the launch has been finalized, the Graduate School of Global Arts will hold the entrance examination in February 2018.

As part of the entrance examination for the new doctoral program, applicants will be required to submit a certificate from an outside language testing organization for the assessment of English language proficiency. For detail, please see below.

For more information about the entrance examination of this program in general, please read the Application Guidance for Prospective International Students that will be ready for distribution in early November 2017. The application is scheduled to open in early-January 2018.

\* The plan for the new program described here will be finalized with the approval of MEXT and is accordingly subject to change.

## Submitting a certificate of foreign-language ability

The Graduate School screens applicants for language ability using language examinations administered by outside organizations. However, applicants who are enrolled in the MA course in Global Arts at the time of application do not have to submit such a certificate.

Eligible language examinations are shown below.

| Name  | Types  |
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| TOEFL | TOEFL iBT or TOEFL PBT * TOEFL ITP is not accepted.  |
| TOEIC | TOEIC Listening & Reading  * You may submit scores of TOEIC Speaking & Writing, TOEIC Speaking Test, or TOEIC Bridge.  However, they are considered as auxiliary information and you must always submit scores of TOEIC Listening & Reading. |
| IELTS | Academic Module * General Training Module is not accepted.   |

## **Certified scores**

- (1) Only exams taken January 2016 or later are valid.
  - \* The expiration date for scores issued by each organization is two years from the date the examination was taken. Any older scores are ineligible for the examination.
- (2) Check with the testing organization concerning the number of days it takes to issue certified scores. This varies by organization.
- Check the testing organization's website or other sources concerning testing schedules, number of days required to issue scores, and other specifics.

TOEFL: http://www.cieej.or.jp/toefl/

TOEIC: http://www.toeic.or.jp/toeic/about.html

IELTS: http://www.eiken.or.jp/ielts/