



### History

Since its inception in Tsukuba Science City in 1973, the University of Tsukuba has offered a comprehensive curriculum of education, covering everything from literature and science to fine arts and physical education.

Although the university's roots stretch back much further than 40 years; its origins lie in the Normal School, the first of its kind in Japan, established in 1872 on the former site of Shoheizaka Gakumonjo . The school was renamed several times over the years, eventually becoming Tokyo Higher Normal School before incorporating four institutions—Tokyo Higher Normal School, Tokyo University of Literature and Science, Tokyo College of Physical Education, and Tokyo College of Agricultural Education—in 1949 to become the Tokyo University of Education, the forerunner to today's University of Tsukuba.

### Brand slogan and sub-color

Since its inception, the University of Tsukuba's philosophy has been one of openness as we seek to forge a better future through education, research, and all other aspects of academia. That philosophy is summed up in our brand slogan, "Imagine the future," which is expressed in the official sub-color, "Tsukuba blue."



| <b>Faculty and staff numbers</b> |                                | As of May 1,2017 | Total | Non-Japanese |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------|--------------|
| Directors                        |                                |                  | 11    | 1            |
| Teaching faculty                 | Professors                     |                  | 639   | 17           |
|                                  | Associate professors           |                  | 571   | 51           |
|                                  | Lecturers                      |                  | 243   | 2            |
|                                  | Assistant professors           |                  | 428   | 62           |
|                                  | Assistants                     |                  | 1     | 0            |
|                                  | Teachers at laboratory schools |                  | 537   | 1            |
| Staff                            | Administrative staff           |                  | 738   | 1            |
|                                  | Technical/medical staff        |                  | 1,256 | 2            |

| <b>Student body</b>    |  | As of May 1,2017 | Total | Non-Japanese |
|------------------------|--|------------------|-------|--------------|
| Undergraduate students |  |                  | 9,944 | 353          |
| Graduate students      |  |                  | 6,834 | 1,551        |

### Students from overseas

The University of Tsukuba has attracted students from more than 100 countries and regions with some 40 degree programs offered in English and hands-on Japanese language instruction tailored to each student's requirements.

## 11th most thesis citations among Japanese universities

One measure of a university's research achievements is the number of times its researchers' theses are cited. According to the Essential Science Indicators database published by Clarivate Analytics, the University of Tsukuba had the eleventh highest number of commonly cited theses among all Japanese universities in the eleven years from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2016.

## Solving the Mystery of Sleep - The Black Box in Our Everyday Life -

Director/Professor Masashi Yanagisawa International Institute for Integrative Sleep Medicine (IIS) is a unique and best institute for sleep medicine, aiming to solve the mechanism of sleep/wakefulness by conducting basic to clinical research.

IIS is one of nine institutes selected as the World Premier International Research Center Initiative (WPI), a huge national research project in Japan to establish research centers with a high-standard, outstanding research environment that attract leading researchers from all around the world.

## Projects with external funding (AY2016)

| Category  | No. of projects | Amount of external funding |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Projects funded with MEXT Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research                      | 1,496           | 4,407,088                  |
| Research performed under contract   | 357             | 4,940,870                  |
| Joint research<br>(incl. only projects conducted jointly with private-sector orgs.) | 401             | 1,019,570                  |
| Projects funded by donations<br>(for academic research) and research grants         | 839             | 1,350,734                  |

(Unit : thousand yen)

## Initial budget for AY2017

