JAPAN-INDIA Student Exchange Program ILDP PhD Joint Supervision Program with Indian Universities Application Guide 2020

1. Aims and Outline

Hiroshima University is starting a new overseas Ph.D. joint supervision program in corporation with Indian top universities in technology and social economics and a government institute of technology of India. The program aims at nurturing highly innovative human resources who implements progressive technologies into societies of India and Japan. The participants of the program are supposed to acquire the competence in self-understanding and subjectivity.

* This Ph.D. joint supervision program will be implemented based on Hiroshima University Project "International Linkage Degree Program (ILDP) for Developing Innovators Transforming Advanced Technology to Social Goals" in "The FY2017 Inter-University Exchange Project Type A: Projects that promote international exchange" conducted by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology. For further information on the program, please refer to ILDP website.

(http://www.ildp.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/).

2. Host University and Duration

(1) Host Institutions: Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB)

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani (BITS, Pilani)

- (2) Number of students to be selected: 2 students for each Indian university per year
- (3) Duration: minimum 4 months to maximum 1 year

The starting date should be stated within August 1st 2020 to March 31st 2021.

3. Eligibility

Applicants must satisfy the following eligibility requirements.

Applicants who;

- (a) enrolled in the last year of master program or in doctoral program in Hiroshima University (Master students who don't wish to advance to the doctoral program can not apply for this program);
- (b) upon termination of the period in Indian institutions, will resume or complete their studies at Hiroshima University
- (c) have a definite motivation of conducting his/her doctoral research in Indian institute with a strong recommendation of home supervisor and have been judged worthy to be accepted in ILDP Program;
- (d) have excellent academic and personal records at home university (GPA of 80/100 equivalent is desirable);
- (e) are able to attend the necessary pre/after training and various events that HU requires to attend;
- (f) obtain reliably a student Visa in India;
- (g) obtain consent of a custodial parent/legal guardian and are accepted to and pledge to participant to this program.

4. Application Procedure

- (1) Download the application forms (Form 1, 2, and 3) at the link below: https://momiji.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/momiji-top/learning/studyabroad/ildp/ildpjointsupervision.html
- (2) Fill out the required information and upload the documents at the link or QR cord below. <u>Closing date and time for application: 17:00 PM on Friday 30th October st 2020</u> <u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3VQExGOyJkmGjY4SZA03U</u> FZBorap9ntBgRjgcQJaNdpUMVdSTEJNMzU3VjkxUjMzWEE5TVVVTUMzVS4u



(3) Documents to be submitted

(1) Application form for the ILDP PhD Joint Supervision Program	Form 1 (Handwriting is not acceptable)
 (2) Research implementation plan (Either in English or Japanese; 1 or 2 pages in A4 sheets) 	Form 2 (Handwriting is not acceptable)
3 Academic supervisor's statement	Form 3 (Handwriting is not acceptable)
 ④ Recommendation letter by desirable host supervisor at Indian Institution 	(Handwriting is not acceptable)
(5) A copy of certificate of English proficiency examination	(TOEIC®, TOEFL®, etc.)

* Submit a transcript of the final year of master course if the applicant is first-year student in doctoral course.

5. Selection

The selection will be implemented by screening the application documents and consulting with host institution. The applicant may be asked for interview or additional information if necessary.

6. Schedule

- Participants have to submit a request for studying abroad to the faculty and be permitted by the president of Hiroshima University.
- If participants have met the required learning standards, they will be provided with certificates and designated credits (ILDP Career Design Basic / ILDP Career Design Advanced) based on the learning outcomes.

7. Certification for the exchange

Participants have to submit a request for studying abroad to the faculty and be permitted by the president of Hiroshima University. In this case, the study abroad will be considered as the part of education under Hiroshima University.

8. Certificate

The certificate of joint supervision will be issued by host university if the participant meets the requirement.

- Fulfill the requirement for doctoral degree at Hiroshima University
- Exchanged to Indian partner universities under this joint supervision program for minimum 4 months to maximum 1 year.
- Awarded 2credits for ILDP Research Tutorial Advanced (J to I) or more.
- Pass the dissertation defense and final exam at graduate school of Hiroshima University.

9. Overseas safety management

- In order to minimize the risks during the joint Ph.D. supervision, participants must attend orientations and the overseas risk-management seminar. They are also required to collect information on the host country before and during the Ph.D. joint supervision.
- [Health Service Center in Hiroshima University Infectious diseases –] http://home.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/health/diseases.html
- Participants must submit the emergency contact address to the faculty.
- Participants must take out the overseas travel insurance designated by Hiroshima University (fees depend on the duration). Also, host institutions may require buying other insurance.
- Disaster or international affairs may postpone or cancel the Ph.D. joint supervision; even during the Ph.D. joint supervision, participants may have orders to return home because of them. In any case, participants are responsible for the paid bills and the expenses for returning home in principle. Hiroshima University will make a judgement on the Ph.D. joint supervision, based on the overseas safety homepage by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Participants who are to collect or study samples of overseas living creatures need to follow the Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) procedure based on the Convention on Biological Diversity and Nagoya Protocol. When attending to those duties at the host institution, please talk to the supervisor and follow the procedure.
- For other overseas safe management, cope in accordance with safety information from "the Student Manual for Overseas Risk Management [海外渡航リスク管理マニュアル (学生 編)] "from Momiji and "A Key to the Overseas Safety Management" [海外安全 虎の巻] from Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

【Student Manual for Overseas Risk Management [海外渡航リスク管理マニュアル (学生編)] https://momiji.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/momiji-top/learning/risk-kanri.html

<u>10. 9.</u> Others

- In general, it is not allowed to decline the dispatch after selected and start processing the formalities with host university. The participants have to inform ILDP office as soon as possible if the participant has to decline the program. The participants have to bear the cancellation fee incurred when the declination accepted by ILDP program.
- Participants may lose their status if they no longer meet the requirements for the program after the selection or if the host institutions do not permit them.
- Participants must be responsible for making necessary arrangements for going overseas (e.g., acquiring passports and visas) after the orientation for participants. Hiroshima University will not be responsible for failing to make a foreign voyage because of visas or passports. The costs incurred by the cancellation need to be borne by the participant in this situation.

11. <u>10.</u> Inquiries

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