

Tohoku University Graduate School of Economics and Management
2023 Academic Year
Global Program in Economics and Management (GPEM) 2-year Master's Program
Application Guideline for Double Degree Program Student Screening
for University of Paderborn (April Entrance)

Admission Policy

The Graduate School of Economics and Management at Tohoku University offers two majors. The Department of Economics and Management seeks students who are strongly interested in economy or business management, have basic academic skills in those areas, and aspire to work as researchers or highly specialized professionals in such fields in the future. Students are educated with the aim of providing them broad perspectives and profound knowledge, the ability to conduct original research at an international level, and the ability to contribute to social and academic development. The Department of Accountancy (Accounting School) seeks students who have the basic academic skills for accounting and who aspire to be accounting professionals working in international settings. Students are educated with the aim of providing them academic and practical knowledge of accounting, international perspectives, communication skills, and the ability to contribute to social development with strong professional ethics. The Graduate School of Economics and Management also actively accepts working adults aspiring to learn economics or business administration based on new problem awareness or to improve their skills as accounting professionals while using their real-world experience.

Department of Economics and Management, Master's Program

This department offers two courses: the Economics and Management Research Course, and the Global Program in Economics and Management (GPEM). Each course has the screening categories below. Non-Japanese applicants for the Economics and Management Research Course must have adequate Japanese language proficiency. Applicants for GPEM must have the ability to work in international settings. Examination methods differ depending on the screening category. All categories require applicants to meet specified standards for admission according to the examination method.

General screening

Applicants having adequate English language proficiency and specialized knowledge of economics or business administration will be selected. Examinations are conducted in writing, orally, and based on the submitted documents. The applicants' specialized knowledge is an important criterion.

Screening for working adults

Working adults having vocational capabilities and knowledge of specialized fields will be selected. Examinations are conducted orally and are based on submitted documents. The applicants' specialized knowledge and research aptitudes are important criteria.

Screening for undergraduate students in the Faculty of Economics at Tohoku University

Graduate candidates in the Faculty of Economics at Tohoku University who demonstrate high academic performance and who have a clear purpose for studying at the graduate school will be selected. Examinations are conducted orally and are based on submitted documents. The applicants' specialized knowledge and the propriety of their research plans are important criteria.

Foreign student screening

Only non-Japanese applicants are accepted for GPEM. Applicants having high English language proficiency and high basic academic skills at the undergraduate level will be selected. Examinations are conducted based on submitted documents. The applicants' basic academic skills are important criteria.

Double degree program student screening for the University of Paderborn

Applicants are accepted only for GPEM. Students in the master's program in the Faculty of Business Administration at the University of Paderborn will be selected. Examinations are conducted based on submitted documents. The applicants' specialized knowledge is an important criterion.

Applicants are recommended to acquire specialized knowledge, research skills, and international perspectives at the undergraduate level before admission.

Application Guideline

GPEM was established to foster skilled professionals who possess a deep knowledge of economics/management, the ability to discover and solve problems, and an international perspective, so that they will be able to work in societies with differing languages, cultures, and values. Students enrolled in Faculty of Business Administration, University of Paderborn are eligible to apply under this Double Degree Program Student Screening based on the Agreement for a “Double Degree Program in International Economics and Management” between Graduate School of Economics and Management, Tohoku University, Japan and Faculty of Business Administration, University of Paderborn, Germany.

I. Major and Enrollment Quota

Major	Quota	Admission Category
Economics and Management	3	Global Program in Economics and Management Double Degree Program Student Screening

II. Application Qualifications etc.

To be eligible, you must be a student enrolled in Faculty of Business Administration, University of Paderborn and have passed a preliminary screening for application for GPEM conducted by University of Paderborn. (For further details of the preliminary screening, please apply to the program coordinator at University of Paderborn.)

III. Application Procedures

Download the application forms from the Faculty of Economics/Graduate School of Economics and Management website, fill them out, then print and submit them.

- A. Application, Curriculum Vitae
Attach a photo (4 cm high, 3 cm wide), taken within the last three months, in the space provided on the form.
- B. Academic Transcript
Submit a transcript from your university or the university from which you most recently graduated (in a sealed envelope). Not required for students who graduated from the Tohoku University Faculty of Economics.
- C. Two letters of recommendation from academic advisors or equivalent in the sealed envelope. It is preferable for one of the letters to be written by your faculty's dean.
- D. Research Plan (3,000 words in English)
- E. Pledge (official form)

Note 1: Submitted documents must be written in English or Japanese.

Note 2: You should send all application documents together directly to us. With regards to letters of recommendation, if the letter-writers prefer to send these to us separately themselves, they may do so.

Note 3: After submitting the application, your application documents cannot be cancelled, altered or returned.

Note 4: Download the official application forms from the admissions section of the Faculty of

Economics/Graduate School of Economics and Management website, print them, and fill them out.

Note 5: We cannot accept incomplete applications.

Note 6: If it is discovered that applicants have made false declarations in the application documents, admission will be cancelled even after enrolment.

Note 7: We only accept the application documents which arrived in the application period.

IV. Application Period

November 1 (Tue.) to November 15 (Tue.), 2022. Applications will be accepted until November 15 (Tue.), 2022.

V. Mailing Address

Instruction Section, Graduate School of Economics and Management, Tohoku University
27-1 Kawauchi, Aoba-Ku, Sendai 9808576 JAPAN

Send application documents by registered mail, or EMS, DHL, FEDEX, etc. Application materials will not be returned.

VI. Screening

You will be evaluated based on your submitted documents.

VII. Admission Notification

You will be informed of the results of your application by e-mail and in writing by mid December 2022.

VIII. Entrance Procedure

Detailed Information on the entrance period and procedures will be provided in the enrollment documents sent after the announcement of successful applicants.

IX. Entrance Period

The Entrance Period will be in April 2023.

X. Status at Tohoku University

- A. Students who have passed Double Degree Student Screening and are allowed to participate in the Double Degree Program must be enrolled as regular students at both institutions. Participating students will have to study at least two semesters at GPEM.
- B. Participating students who meet all necessary degree requirements in both institutions separately are eligible to separately receive master's degree from each of both institutions. The award of master's degree (in Economics or Management) at GPEM is subject to the regulations of Graduate School of Economics and Management, Tohoku University.

XI. Required Fees

- A. Participating Students will be exempt from examination, entrance and tuition fees at Tohoku University.
- B. Tohoku University will not be liable for travel, living, healthcare, insurance, accommodation or other expenses incurred by the students.

XII. Notes

- A. If you have questions about applying, please contact: gpem@grp.tohoku.ac.jp
- B. After entering, you must enroll in Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (Gakkensai) and Comprehensive Insurance for Students Lives Coupled with PAS for International Students (Inbound futai-gakuso). Additionally, if you will rent private housing, you must enroll in an insurance/mutual relief policy, such as Comprehensive Renters' Insurance for Foreign Students Studying in Japan.

XIII. Policy on the Handling of Personal Information

- A. Any personal information gathered by Tohoku University will be treated with due care in compliance with the Law for the Protection of Personal Information Retained by Independent Administrative Institutions, and the Act on the Protection of Personal Information of Tohoku University, and security measures will be taken to protect private information.
- B. Personal information used in screening applicants, such as examination scores, will be used for educational purposes, such as selecting applicants, support during admissions procedures, follow-up surveys, and post-admission student support (scholarship/tuition waivers and health management etc.), and in connection with tuition collection.
- C. In some cases, tasks related to entrance examinations and educational affairs may be outsourced to third-party contractors (hereafter, "subcontractors"). If necessary, all or some personal information may be provided to subcontractors as per the Act on the Protection of Personal Information of Tohoku University.

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**Appendix: Faculty Members of Graduate School of Economics and Management,
Tohoku University
2023 Academic Year**

Professors

Name	Specialized Subject
Kenji MORI	Political Economy I (Marxian Economics)
*Mitsunobu MIYAKE	Theoretical Economics I (Microeconomics)
Akiomi KITAGAWA	Theoretical Economics II (Macroeconomics)
Yoh KAWANA	Economic History of Western Europe
Naoki ODANAKA	History of Social Thoughts
Shinji OHSETO	Economic Planning
*Jiro AKITA	International Finance
Akira HIBIKI	Environmental Economics
Shigemi IZUMIDA	Industrial Organization
Kazuhiro KUROSE	Economic Policy
Yasumasa MATSUDA	Economic Statistics
Ken-ichi SUZUKI	Decision Making
Masahiko FUJIMOTO	Organization and Management
Yoshifumi MUROI	Investment and Security Analysis
Yuko NISHIDE	Non-profit Organization
Midori WAKABAYASHI	Welfare Economy
Hiroshi YOSHIDA	Aging Economy
Norio SASAKI	Public Finance
Michi FUKUSHIMA	Regional Enterprises
Satoru MASUDA	Regional Planning
Shiro HIOKI	Asian Economy
Nozomu KAWABATA	Industrial Development
Jun NAGAYASU	International Economics

Associate Professors

Name	Specialized Subject
Yutaka FURUYA	History of Economic Thought
Kazuho SAKAI	History of Japanese Economy
Michio SUZUKI	Applied Macroeconomics
Yasunari TAKAURA	Management
Takeyasu ICHIKOJI	Marketing Management
Hiroaki CHIGIRA	Econometrics
Tsukasa ISHIGAKI	Business Statistics
Takenobu YUKI	Business History
Kiyohiro YAMAZAKI	Management Strategy
Michio YUDA	Health Economics
Ken SAKAI	Service Management
Ayumu SUGAWARA	Global Business History
Heejin KIM	International Business

*Will resign at the end of 2023 academic year.