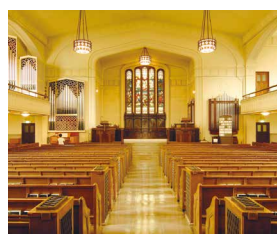
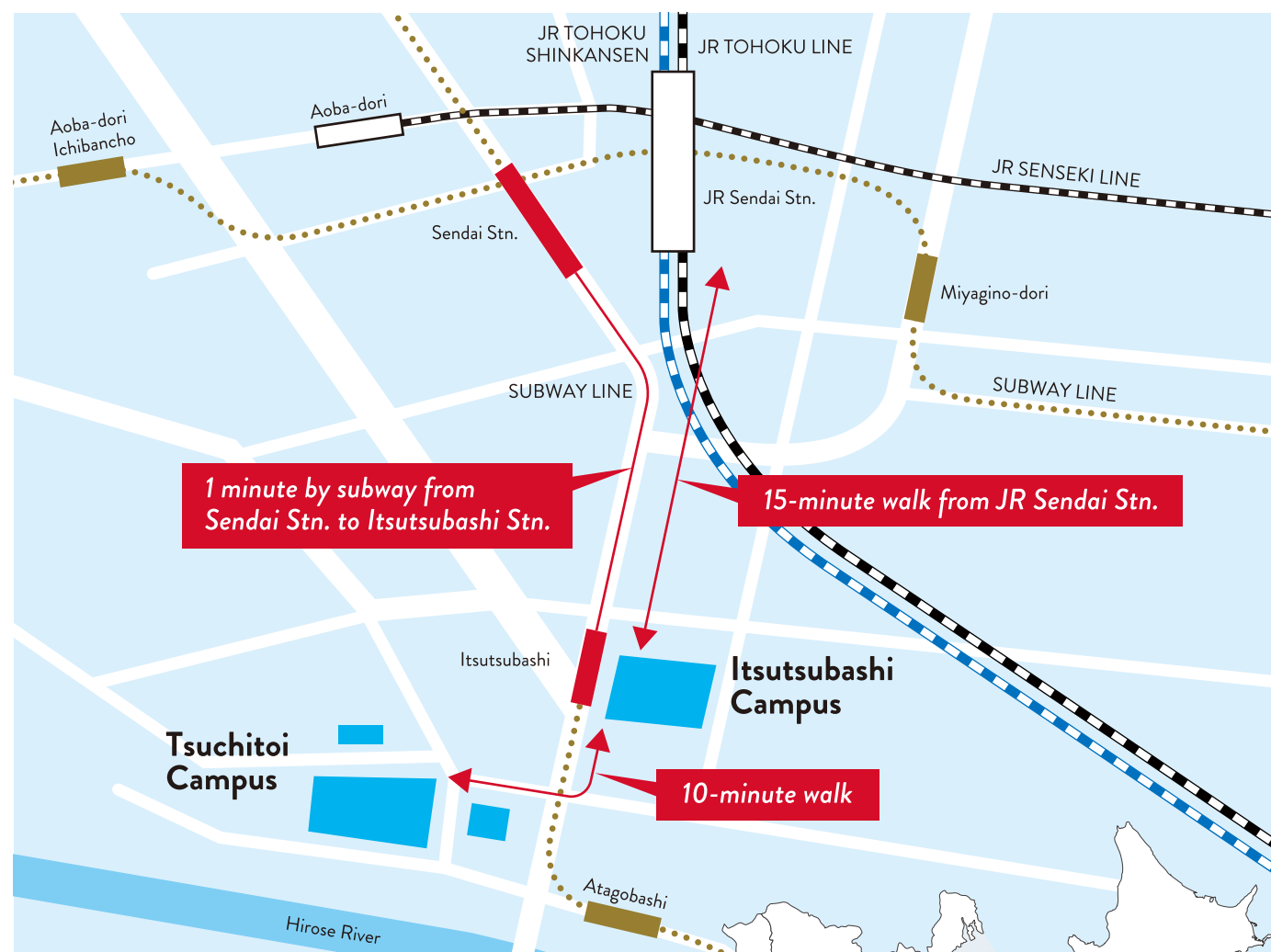


Area Map



Tsuchitai Campus



Itsutsubashi Campus



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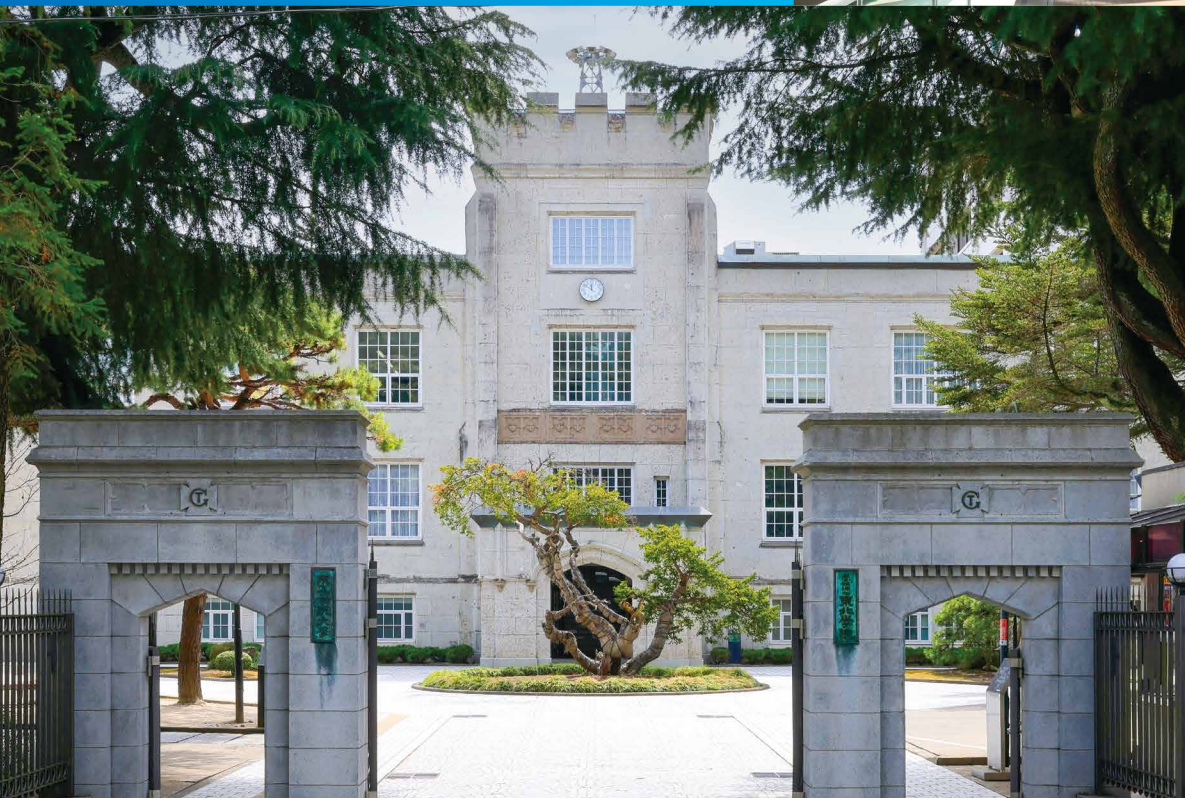
TGU was founded in 1886 as Sendai
Theological Seminary



11,717

11,570 Undergraduates
147 Graduate students

As of May 2025



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Graduate Schools

Graduate Schools

Graduate School	Programs *master's and doctoral programs shown in italics
Letters	English Language and Literature, <i>European Historical and Cultural Studies, Asian Historical and Cultural Studies</i>
Economics	<i>Economics</i> , Data Science
Business Administration	Business Administration
Law	Law
Engineering	<i>Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Electronic Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering</i>
Human Informatics	<i>Human Informatics</i>

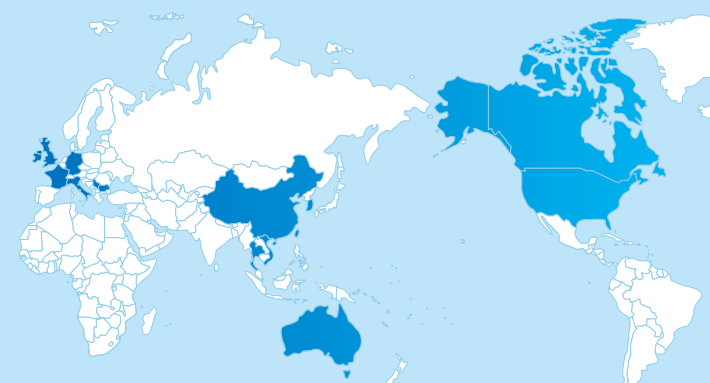


Faculties

Faculty	Department	Major Areas of Specialization
Letters	English	British and American Literature, English Linguistics
	General Humanities	Philosophy and Thought, Culture and Arts, Religion and Theology
	History	Japanese History, Asian History, European History, Archaeology, Folklore
	Education	Pedagogy, English Language Education
Economics	Economics	Economic Theory, Public Policy, Political Economy
	Co-existing Society Studies	Economics and Co-existing Society Studies
Business Administration	Business Administration	Management, Marketing, Accounting and Finance
Law	Law	Policy Administration Course, Corporate Legal Affairs Course, Legal Profession Course
Engineering	Mechanical Engineering and Intelligent Systems	Smart Design Field, Green Energy System Field, Bio Robotics Field, Mechano-Engineering Field
	Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Electrical and Control Systems, Information and Communications Systems, Electronic and Materials Systems
	Civil and Environmental Engineering	Environmental Civil Engineering Course, Architecture Course
Regional Studies	Regional Community Studies	Geography, Sociology, Social Welfare Studies, Pedagogy, Earth Science, Ecology
	Policy Design	Public Administration, Economy and Industry, Civil Society
Informatics	Data Science	Information Science, Mathematical Science, Social Science
Human Sciences	Psychology and Behavioral Sciences	Psychology, Sports Science, Sociology
International Studies	International Studies	Language and Multi-culturalism, East Asian Studies, Global Studies
Future Innovation*	Digital Design	Digital Design
Education*	Education	Education

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* Two new faculties are
scheduled to
open in April 2027.



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Partner Institutions

What's TGU?

Tohoku Gakuin
University
Introduction Movie



Visit TGU's English
website for information
on its undergraduate
and graduate programs!



Tuition Fees

At Tohoku Gakuin University, international students pay the same tuition as regular students. Details of tuition fees for each faculty and department can be found here.



Tuition Fee Reduction for International Students

Tohoku Gakuin University's tuition reduction program is intended for international students (regular students) who face difficulties continuing their studies due to financial reasons. New students must pay the full tuition fees at the time of enrollment. The reduced portion of the spring semester's tuition will be refunded later to the student's bank account. From the fall semester of the first year onward, payment slips will reflect the reduced tuition amount. We are currently reviewing a new tuition reduction system. Please note that students enrolling in April 2026 may be subject to a different reduction policy.

Eligibility International students who hold a valid "Student" residence status and apply for tuition reduction at the beginning of the academic year.

Amount of Reduction

Graduate School	First year or first year of transfer	50%
	Second year and above or from second year of transfer	70%
	Re-enrolled or readmitted students	Applicable rate based on year
Undergraduate	First year or first year of transfer	30%
	Second year and above or from second year of transfer	GPA 2.8 or higher: 70% GPA below 2.8: 50%
	Re-enrolled or readmitted students	Applicable rate based on year

Tuition Fee Reduction Period

The reduction is granted on a yearly basis and may be applied for during the standard duration of study. (4 years for undergraduate programs, 2 years for master's programs or the first phase of doctoral programs, and 3 years for the second phase of doctoral programs.)

Scholarships At Tohoku Gakuin University, we provide information on the following external scholarships, many of which are granted to international students.

- Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students
- Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship
- Kamei Memorial Foundation Scholarship
- Tohoku Development Memorial Foundation Scholarship

Experience the Tohoku Region and its Traditional Culture

Off-campus Excursions

Our off-campus excursions offer international students the chance to explore the historical landmarks and scenic attractions of Miyagi Prefecture and the Tohoku region. Join us for an unforgettable journey of discovery and camaraderie!

Experincing Japanese Culture

Discover the elegance of tea ceremony etiquette while preparing matcha tea and enjoying sweets. Learn the art and spirit behind flower arranging to create your own beautiful designs. Students from TGU's Japanese Traditional Arts Club will be there to support and guide you every step of the way.

Support for International Students

Support by Students

Global Supporters

Global Supporters are student volunteers dedicated to helping international students adjust quickly to life in Japan. They provide assistance not only during orientation but also by organizing and managing welcome parties, farewell parties, and international exchange events.

Resident Assistants

Resident Assistant is a student who lives together with international students in the international students' accommodation and supports them in their daily life.

Housing

- A 10-minute walk from the campus
- Room Style: Studio apartment
- Rent: 38,000yen/month (including Internet)
- Utility Bills (water, gas, electricity): excluded
- Facilities: Refrigerator, Microwave, Washing machine, Kitchen, Electric kettle, Desk & Chair, Air-conditioning, Internet, Bed, Rice cooker

Student Voice

SHAH, Binita Master's Program in Civil and Environmental Engineering



I'm Binita Shah from Nepal, currently studying on a Master's course in Civil and Environmental Engineering at Tohoku Gakuin University. Choosing the right university is one of the most important decisions for any student, and even more so for me as an international student. The main reason why I chose TGU was that it offers comprehensive support for international students. Moving to a new country takes most people out of their comfort zone, but thanks to TGU's support, overseas students can enjoy studying abroad and can gain a wealth of knowledge at the same time. Located in the heart of Miyagi Prefecture, transportation and daily living are easy. Academic advice and language support are both easily available. In addition, TGU provides a range of opportunities to learn about Japanese culture through workshops and local events. One of TGU's strengths is that it is always ready to give advice and support. The international friendships I have formed here through college events and workshops have expanded my worldview and taught me how to collaborate across cultures — a skill that will prove incredibly valuable in today's interconnected world. If you are planning to study abroad in Japan then I heartily recommend Tohoku Gakuin University. My experience at TGU has taught me that this is the place where international students can combine cutting-edge research with practical experience to boost their academic knowledge and career prospects, whether their field is engineering, business, the arts, languages, or something else.

Japanese Language Requirements

At Tohoku Gakuin University, most classes are conducted in Japanese. Therefore, applicants who wish to enroll must possess sufficient Japanese language proficiency to understand lectures.

Residency Status for International Students

The term 'international student' refers to a foreign individual who enters Japan for the purpose of receiving education at a university or similar institution and subsequently enrolls in such an institution. Specifically, this applies to individuals who have entered Japan under the “Student” residency status as defined by the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act, or those who entered under a different status and completed the necessary procedures to change their residency status to “Student” before admission.

Undergraduate Admissions Exam

Eligibility

- Applicants must meet all the following conditions.
- (1) As of April 1, 2026, the applicant must be a foreign national and satisfy either of the following:
- ①Have completed 12 years of formal education based on the standard curriculum in a foreign country or possess qualifications for university admission recognized in that country.
 - ②Be approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan.
- (2) If residing in Japan, the applicant must change their residence status to “Student” before enrollment. If residing outside Japan, the applicant must obtain “Student” residence status upon enrollment.
- (3) The applicant must take the designated subjects in the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) held in June or November 2025, and achieve scores equal to or higher than those listed in the table.
- Required subjects vary depending on the faculty or department the applicant is applying to.
- If the applicant fails to take all the subjects specified by the department, they will not be eligible to apply.

Required EJU Subjects and Scores

Department Applied For	Japanese		Science *Select two subjects	Comprehensive Studies	Mathematics	
	Reading Comprehension, Listening, Integrated Listening-Reading Comprehension	Writing	Biology, Chemistry, Physics		Course 1	Course 2
Departments other than those listed below	250	30	—	140	—	—
Economics Psychology and Behavioral Sciences	250	30	—	125	100	—
Data Science	250	—	Either subject		120	—
			120 Chemistry and Physics	125		
Mechanical Engineering and Intelligent Systems Electrical and Electronic Engineering	250	—	120 Chemistry and Physics	—	—	120
Civil and Environmental Engineering	250	—	120 Choose two subjects	—	—	120

Schedule

	Application Schedule		Interview Date	Entrance Exam Result Announcement
Schedule A	Application registration Payment of the examination fee	Monday, August 4, 2025 - Wednesday, September 3, 2025, until 2:59 p.m.(JST)	Thursday, October 2, 2025 *Applicants from outside Japan will have an online interview.	Friday, October 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. (JST)
	Mailing of application documents	The documents must arrive between Monday, September 1, 2025, and Wednesday, September 3, 2025, by 3:00 p.m. (JST)		
Schedule B	Application registration Payment of the examination fee	Monday, December 1, 2025, to Tuesday, January 6, 2026, until 2:59 p.m.	Monday, February 2, 2026 *Only in-person interviews will be held.	Friday, February 13, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (JST)
	Mailing of application documents	The documents must arrive between Monday, December 22, 2025, and Tuesday, January 6, 2026, by 3:00 p.m. (JST)		

Selection Process

Applicants will be evaluated and selected based on a comprehensive review of their application documents and an interview. (Applicable to all faculties)

Exam Subjects	Document Screening	Interview	Total
Points distribution	100	200	300

Application Fee

30,000 JPY

- *Handling fee will be charged for the payment of the application fee and must be borne by the applicant.
- *The application fee is non-refundable under any circumstances.

Graduate School Admissions Exam

*Note: No special selection for international students is available for the graduate schools.

Schedule

	Application Schedule		Examination Date	Entrance Exam Result Announcement
Autumn Schedule	Online Application Registration Period	Monday, August 4, 2025 - Wednesday, September 3, 2025, until 2:59 p.m.(JST)	Saturday, September 13, 2025	Friday, September 26, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. (JST)
	Mailing of application documents	Friday, August 1, 2025 - Friday, August 8, 2025 until 3:00 p.m. (JST)		
Spring Schedule	Online Application Registration Period	Tuesday, December 23, 2025 - Wednesday, January 14, 2026 until 2:59 p.m. (JST)	Tuesday, February 17, 2026	Friday, February 27, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. (JST)
	Mailing of application documents	Tuesday, January 6, 2026 - Wednesday, January 14, 2026 until 3:00 p.m. (JST)		

Pre-screening of Applications

Application Period Up to one month before the first day of the official application period

Screening Methods

Document screening, written exam, and interview

Examination Fee

33,000 JPY

- *Additional handling fees apply and must be covered by the applicant
- *The examination fee is non-refundable under any circumstances

For details on entrance examinations,
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