

New Student Orientation

Fall, 2023

2023/9/28

International Graduate Program in Language Sciences

Graduate School of International Cultural Studies

Tohoku University

Outline

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(1) Curriculum

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Master' s students (p. 16)

Requirements for Master' s Program:

- Earn 30 credits (complete 15 courses)
- Write and submit a Master' s thesis

Required Courses (p. 17)

Basic subjects (compulsory): 6 credits

- Research Methods in Linguistics
- Introduction to Language Sciences
- Ethics for Academic Research

Core subjects (elective): 18 credits

Seminar: 6 credits

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| Color Code | Basic Subjects | Core Subjects | Master's Seminar | Doctoral Seminar and Lecture | Other English Subjects |
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International Graduate Program in Language Sciences 2023 (Fall) Time Table

| Time Date | 1 8:50 - 10:20 | 2 10:30 - 12:00 | 3 13:00 - 14:30 | 4 14:40 - 16:10 | 5 16:20 - 17:50 | 6 18:00 - 19:30 |
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| Mon | | Generative Syntax I (生成統語論 I) Prof. Takahashi, Daiko Room 408, 4th Floor, Kawauchi Lecture Rooms C(A04) | Second Language Vocabulary Acquisition I (第二言語語彙習得論 I) Senior Assistant Prof. Uchihara, Takumi Room 305, 3rd Floor, Multimedia Education and Research Complex(A05) (For those who enrolled in the program before April, 2023) This course credits will NOT be counted as a core subject toward your graduation. | | | |
| Tue | | Language and Culture I (言語文化論 I) Prof. Eto, Hiroyuki Room 305, 3rd Floor, Multimedia Education and Research Complex(A05) | Lunch Time 12:00 - 13:00 | | | |
| Wed | Research Methods in Linguistics (言語研究法) Assoc. Prof. Spring, Ryan Edward/ Assoc. Prof. Kavanagh, Barry Room 305, 3rd Floor, Multimedia Education and Research Complex(A05) | Psycholinguistics I (心理言語学 I) Prof. Nakayama, Mariko Room 103, 1st Floor, Kawauchi Lecture Rooms C(A04) | History of the Japanese Language I (日本語史 I) Room 103, 1st Floor, Kawauchi Lecture Rooms C(A04) Assoc. Prof. Zisk, Matthew Joseph (For those who enrolled in the program before April, 2022) This course credits will NOT be counted as a core subject toward your graduation. | | | |
| Thu | | | | | | |
| Fri | | | | | | |
| Note | *Ethics for Academic Research (研究のための倫理) Lect. Ikeda, Mitsuho * The Academic Affairs Office will inform you of the registration procedure in November. | | | | | |
| | *Seminar in Linguistics B (言語科学演習B) Supervisor [ETO, UEHARA, TAKAHASHI, NAKAMOTO, NAKAMURA, WANNER, NAKAYAMA, JEONG, ZISK, UCHIHARA] * Please consult with your supervisor about the registration. | | | | | |
| | *Advanced Seminar in Linguistics B (言語科学特別演習B) Supervisor [ETO, UEHARA, TAKAHASHI, NAKAMOTO, NAKAMURA, WANNER, NAKAYAMA, JEONG, ZISK, UCHIHARA] * Please consult with your supervisor about the registration. | | | | | |
| | *Advanced Lecture in Linguistics B (言語科学特別講義B) Supervisor [ETO, UEHARA, TAKAHASHI, NAKAMOTO, NAKAMURA, WANNER, NAKAYAMA, JEONG, ZISK, UCHIHARA] * Please consult with your supervisor about the registration. | | | | | |

Course Registration (pp. 19-20)

Course registration procedures:

- Register for your courses [online using the Student Affairs Information System](#)
- Registration must be completed between [Monday, October 2nd and Monday, October 16th](#)
- Check the Student Handbook for further information

Ethics for Academic Research (p. 21)

- a compulsory course held in the Fall semester
- intensive lecture
- Take this course during the first year of the Master's program
- The Academic Affairs Office will inform you of the registration process in November

PhD students (pp. 18-19)

Requirements for PhD Program:

- Earn 12 credits (complete 6 courses)
 - Advanced Seminar A/B : 8 credits
 - Advanced Lecture A/B : 4 credits
- Write and submit a doctoral dissertation

NOTE

For your dissertation to be accepted, you must have published at least two papers in an academic journal.

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(2) Schedule (pp. 23-31)

Major deadlines for Master's program

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1st semester

- Research title form (December 22)
- Research title presentation (January 25-26)

3rd semester

- MA thesis plan presentation

4th semester

- Submit the Master's thesis along with the Master's Thesis Title Registration form
- Take Master's thesis oral examination (Thesis defense)
- MA thesis presentation

Major deadlines for PhD program (p. 31)

- 1st semester
 - Research Title form (December 22)
 - Research Title presentation (January 25-26)

- 3rd semester
 - PhD dissertation interim presentation

- 5-6th semester
 - PhD dissertation draft presentation

- 6th semester
 - Submit PhD dissertation
 - Take final examination (dissertation defense)

※ 2 papers published in academic journals

Academic Portfolio for PhD students

- an academic portfolio for each PhD student on Google Classroom
- instructions on how to access Google Classroom from the Academic Affairs office in early October
- a clear roadmap toward completion of the PhD program including necessary documents and various deadlines
- Students are to submit each document through Google Classroom after consultation with their supervisor

GSICS Online Bulletin Board for Students

- <https://sites.google.com/tohoku.ac.jp/intcul-student-99info-board-e/>
- Important information, such as upcoming events and application procedures for scholarships and financial support
- Check the Bulletin Board at least once a day not to miss any important information
- Some notifications are only sent by email, so be sure to check your Tohoku university email account (...@dc.tohoku.ac.jp) every day
- When contacting the Academic Affairs Office, please use your Tohoku University email address and avoid using a personal email address

(3) Other information

The Academic Affairs Office (p. 5)

- 2nd floor of the School Building
- 8:45 - 17:15 weekdays
- Lunch break: 12:30-13:00
- contact the office by email
e-mail: int-kkdk@grp.tohoku.ac.jp

the graduate school's website

- information about new events, *etc.*

Google classroom for seminar

- information about the seminar such as schedule, slides, *etc.*
- used as bulletin board for the program
- Check it daily

the Academic Affairs Information System

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- necessary for registration
- Use your university email address (···@dc.tohoku.ac.jp)
- Change your password on first access

Students' lab

- M601 temporarily
- keys after orientation

When you have a question,

1. Ask your advisor/supervisor
2. Ask your tutor
3. Contact the Academic Affairs Office
4. Talk to your classmates or labmates

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This is the end of the orientation.

We warmly welcome you to IGPLS!

We hope you have a wonderful time here!