

Global Center of Excellence for Mechanical Systems Innovation (GMSI)
FY 2010 Call for Research Assistant Applications

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[Eligibility]

1. Students who are in the doctoral (Ph. D.) course in any one of the following majors: Mechanical engineering, aeronautics and astronautics, systems innovation, precision engineering, materials engineering, applied chemistry, chemical system engineering.
2. Students who are expected to enter the doctoral course in one of the above majors in October of this year. However, in case the appointment will occur after commencement of the course.

*Please note that those who are already appointed as an RA in a different GCOE program are not eligible to apply.

[Period of Appointment]

October 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011

[Terms of Appointment]

1. RAs will receive a monthly stipend of 80,000 yen to 200,000 yen. Those who have salaries and/or other scholarships totaling less than 200,000 yen may be appointed as the RA. Government-sponsored foreign students (MEXT scholarship winners) may also be appointed as long as their monthly scholarship award does not exceed 200,000 yen.
2. For students who have been appointed as an RA and wish to continue their appointment, the value of their monthly payment shall be determined based on a re-evaluation that takes into consideration their research accomplishments and the contribution to the GMSI.
3. The GMSI program is scheduled to continue until 2012, but changes to the appointment terms and/or mid-term cancellation of the appointment are possible.

[Other Conditions]

Students who have been appointed as an RA shall submit a monthly “Research Assistant Study Implementation Report” to the GMSI office. RAs are also obliged to participate in GMSI sponsored educational and research programs, including study meetings, seminars, and symposia. In the case that an RA is requested to assist with a GMSI sponsored program or event, the RA’s best efforts to attend and participate are expected.

[Requests to the Faculty Advisor]

RA appointment is approved on the condition that the advising faculty member fully understand the educational and research programs provided by the GMSI, as well as the purpose of the GMSI and allow the student(s) to actively participate in GMSI educational and research programs.

[Application Process / Where to Submit Documents]

1. Prepare and submit the following documents*:
 - (a) Written consent: Prepared by the student and the advising faculty member
 - (b) Research implementation report (in case of continuance): Prepared by the student
 - (c) Name list: Prepared by the student (provided by the GMSI office)
 - (d) Research planning document: Prepared by the student

*Please keep photocopies of all submitted documents.

2. Where to submit documents

GMSI office, Room 203 (2nd floor), Engineering Bldg. 2, Hongo Campus

[Application Period]

no later than 15:00 on Wednesday, September 15, 2010.

[Screening Method and Notification]

Selection will be based on strict screening by the committee consisting of GMSI project members. We will notify the selection result to each applicant.

[Contact]

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