

2011

Admission Information and Application Guide

(Master's Courses)

Graduate School of Information Science

(Including First Exam for Fall 2011 Admission)

Graduate School of Biological Sciences

Graduate School of Materials Science

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- * Examination Voucher Form, Photo Form, Receipt Form, Statement-of-Payment Form
- * Address Label

Educational Policy of NAIST

● Objectives

As a university composed solely of graduate schools, NAIST promotes cutting edge research and offers a sophisticated outcome-based education for each student so as to promote advances in science and technology and in society as a whole.

● Educational mission

NAIST was founded in October 1991 as a university composed solely of graduate schools to nurture individuals capable of contributing to the development of advanced science and technology. Research and education at NAIST cover the three basic areas of Information Science, Biological Sciences and Materials Science.

In order to promote a suitable standard of living for people throughout the world in the 21st century, and indeed to secure our very survival, the highest scientific and technical competence, together with a clear grounding in professional ethics, must characterize leading researchers in the coming generations. These are goals we set for our programs at NAIST.

Therefore, in addition to the areas of Information Science, Biological Sciences and Materials Science, we actively encourage interdisciplinary research and provide education in principles of ethics and respect for intellectual property.

● Objectives for each individual student

Education and research in the Master's Courses cultivate sophisticated expertise and initiative in support of society and the economy. The Doctoral Courses are designed to foster in researchers and engineers a drive to seek new frontiers in science and technology and to play leading roles internationally.

● Educational policy

In addition to a specialized education, a wide-ranging curriculum cultivates ethical thinking, vision, theoretical thinking, comprehensive judgment and sharpened writing skills. A coordinated educational program is offered by the three Graduate Schools to promote interdisciplinary research and a cooperative program is offered together with centers of education and research abroad.

The quality of education is maintained through external evaluations, self-assessments, improved research environments, and economic assistance for competent students.

Admission Policy

- **Admission policy**

NAIST welcomes students with high academic capabilities regardless of nationality or major field of undergraduate studies. We also welcome researchers, engineers and others currently working in society who show enthusiasm for research.

- **Graduate School of Information Science**

The Graduate School of Information Science seeks people who are able to think logically and articulate their thoughts and who seek an ability to respond flexibly to changes in the science and technology of information and communication.

1. Students applying for the Master's Courses must demonstrate a strong curiosity and a willingness to take on entirely new challenges.
2. Students applying for the Doctoral Courses must demonstrate a potential to identify problems in specialized topics and discover practical solutions.

- **Graduate School of Biological Sciences**

The Graduate School of Biological Sciences seeks the following type of students:

1. Those with enthusiasm and drive for discovering basic principles underlying life phenomena and biotic diversity at the molecular and cellular levels.
2. Those with a keen interest in applying their expertise in biological sciences to the solution of problems in society while working in one of the many fields of science and technology.

- **Graduate School of Materials Science**

The Graduate School of Materials Science seeks the following type of students:

1. Those who are highly motivated for creative research in materials science or interdisciplinary topics.
2. Those who can maintain a keen interest in problems of society and the needs of industry while working in technological innovation in one of the many fields of science and technology.

Entrance Examination for 2011 Master's Courses

(1) Admission Capacity

Graduate School	Department *	Admission Capacity**	Pages
Information Science	Information Processing Information Systems Bioinformatics and Genomics	146 (Includes 10 for the Fall term and some for the international program)	2-8
Biological Sciences	Cell Biology Molecular Biology	114 (Includes some for the Fall term and some for the international program)	9-14
Materials Science	Materials Science	90	15-20

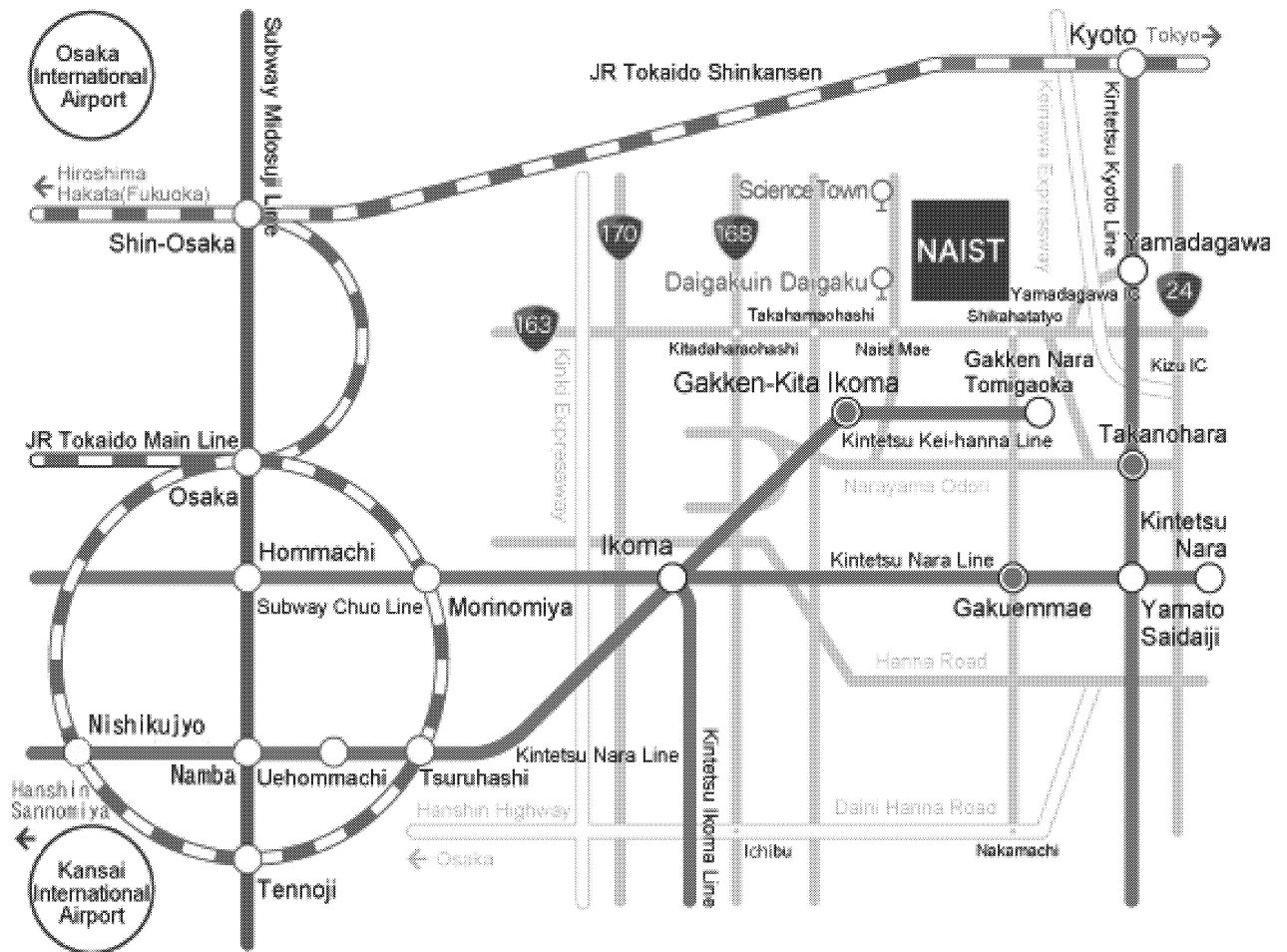
*Admission is not to a specific department. An enrollee's department is assigned according to the person's choice and aptitude after admission to a Graduate School.

**Each admission capacity includes some admitted by recommendation screening for students in colleges of technology.

(2) Entrance Examination Schedule

Graduate School	Examination Options	Application period	Dates of Examination		Announcement of the Results	Enrollment Procedures
Information Science	1st	Jun.7-9, 2010	Jul.7-10, 2010		Jul.16, 2010	Early March, 2011
	2nd	Aug.23-25, 2010	Sep.13-14, 2010		Sep.17, 2010	
	3rd (1st Exam for Fall 2011 Admission)	Feb.14-16, 2011	Mar.9, 2011		Mar. 11, 2011	Late March, 2011 (Late September, 2011)
Biological Sciences	1st	Jun.7-9, 2010	NAIST	Jul.7-10, 2010	Jul.20, 2010	Early March, 2011
			Tokyo	Jul.13, 2010		
	2nd	Sep.13-15, 2010	Oct.12-14, 2010		Oct.18, 2010	
	3rd	Feb.14-16, 2011	Mar.8, 2011		Mar.14, 2011	Late March, 2011
Materials Science	1st	Jun.7-9, 2010	NAIST	Jul.7-10, 2010	Jul.20, 2010	Early March, 2011
			Tokyo	Jul.13, 2010		
	2nd	Sep. 13-15, 2010	Oct.12-14, 2010		Oct.18, 2010	
	3rd	Feb. 14-16, 2011	Mar.8, 2011		Mar.14, 2011	Late March, 2011

Access Map



Transportation

From Osaka or Kyoto to the station nearest the university

Approx. 30 min. from Subway "Hommachi" to "Gakken Kita Ikoma"

Approx. 30 min. from Kintetsu Line "Osaka-Namba" to "Gakken Kita Ikoma" (Switch at Ikoma)

Approx. 25 min. from Kintetsu Line "Osaka-Namba" to "Gakuemae" (Super express)

Approx. 35 min. from Kintetsu Line "Kyoto" to "Takanohara" (Express)

Buses from each station to the "Daigakuin Daigaku" stop

Approx. 25 min. from Kintetsu Line "Gakuemae"

Approx 25 min. from Kintetsu Line "Takanohara"

8 min. from Kintetsu Line "Gakken Kita Ikoma"

Please check the bus timetable at the Nara-Kotsu website.

<http://www.narakotsu.co.jp/index.html>