



Students

NAIST accepts students from various fields who are enthusiastic to learn and conduct research, and researchers/engineers who are active contributors to society. Our flexible open merit system enables distinguished students to receive a Ph.D. degree before they have completed a full schedule of courses. Our graduates, who have experienced an environment of open and high-level research and education, are outstanding researchers in industry, able to seek out and play active roles in society.

Admission Capacity, Course Capacity and Actual Number of Students

As of April 1, 2007

Graduate School	Admission Capacity		Course Capacity		Actual Number of Students								Total
	Master's Program	Doctoral Program	Master's Program	Doctoral Program	Master's Program			Doctoral Program					
					1st	2nd	Total	1st	2nd	3rd	Total		
Information Science	146	43	292	129	149 (16)	171 (22)	320 (38)	47 (7)	41 (5)	55 (3)	143 (15)	463 (53)	
Biological Sciences	114	34	228	102	118 (41)	116 (37)	234 (78)	27 (8)	30 (9)	50 (16)	107 (33)	341 (111)	
Materials Science	90	30	180	90	97 (16)	95 (13)	192 (29)	21 (2)	16 (1)	25 (5)	62 (8)	254 (37)	
Total	350	107	700	321	364 (73)	382 (72)	746 (145)	95 (17)	87 (15)	130 (24)	312 (56)	1,058 (201)	

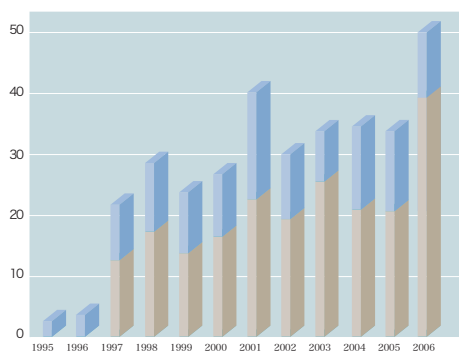
※ Parenthesized figures indicate the number of female students
 ※ Figures include students admitted in October

Accelerated Degree Programs

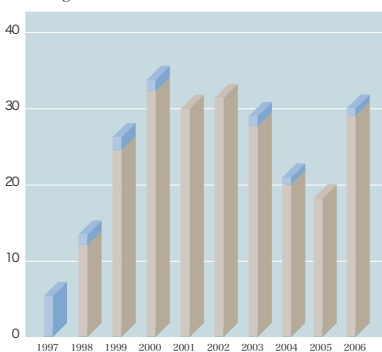
At NAIST, the standard period for completion of a master's program is two years, and of a doctoral program, three years. Students judged to be of sufficient ability may finish the master's program in one year and then proceed to the doctoral program; and students with exceptionally high research achievements may finish the doctoral program in one year. However, students who complete the master's program in one year must subsequently spend a minimum of two years studying in the doctoral program.

■ Conferment of Doctoral Degrees

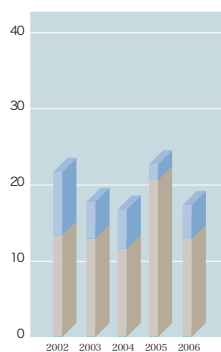
■ Information Science



■ Biological Sciences



■ Materials Science



■ number of students who completed their programs early

Conferment of Academic Degrees (2006)

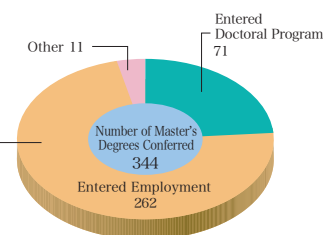
Graduate School	Master's Degree			Doctoral Degree		
	Engineering	Science	Bioscience	Engineering	Science	Bioscience
Information Science	140(5)	8(1)		46(10)	4(1)	
Biological Sciences			97			30(1)
Materials Science	85	14		9(2)	8(2)	
Total	225(5)	22(1)	97	55(12)	12(3)	30(1)

() indicates the number of students completing the course in the accelerated degree program

After Completion of Master's Program

NAIST produces a large number of excellent researchers and high-level researchers for industry.

Canon Inc., Denso Corporation, Hitachi Ltd., Sharp Corporation, Sony Corporation, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Fuji Xerox, Nomura Research Institute, Mitsubishi Heavy Industrial Ltd., Fujitsu, Toshiba Corporation, Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation, Mitsubishi Electric Corporation, Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation, Honda Motor Co., Ltd., others



As of March, 2007