

BOOST NAIS

Next-generation AI for Intelligent Society

Admission for doctoral students enrolling in Spring 2026

Supported by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) under the BOOST initiative for young researchers and doctoral students in national strategic areas, the University of Tokyo's project "Advanced AI Talent Development to Lead the Next-Generation Intelligent Society (BOOST NAIS)" is open to all doctoral students (including those in 4-year doctoral programs) at the university. We are now seeking approximately 20 project participants who enroll in the doctoral program in the spring of 2026.

Project Objectives and Content

The purpose of this project is to provide an environment where project participants can acquire not only the knowledge and skills necessary to pioneer and lead the next generation of AI research but also the ability to collaborate across disciplines and communicate their research outcomes as societal value. Unique to this project, a variety of development programs will be offered, including interdisciplinary research exchange meetings, on-campus internships, research planning workshops, and entrepreneurship lectures. Furthermore, this project will be closely coordinated with the university's SPRING GX project, offering all participants access to the complete range of transferable skills development programs conducted by SPRING GX, including core GX programs, study abroad and dispatch programs, voluntary interdisciplinary project research, and industry-academia partnership internships.

Recruitment Number:

Approximately 20 students

Applicants for the doctoral programs starting in Spring 2026, including those in 4-year doctoral programs, who aspire to pioneer and lead in the field of AI, currently engaged in research and development in the field of AI or planning to undertake research and development that contributes to the advancement of the field of AI by leveraging their high level of expertise in various fields.

Application Period:

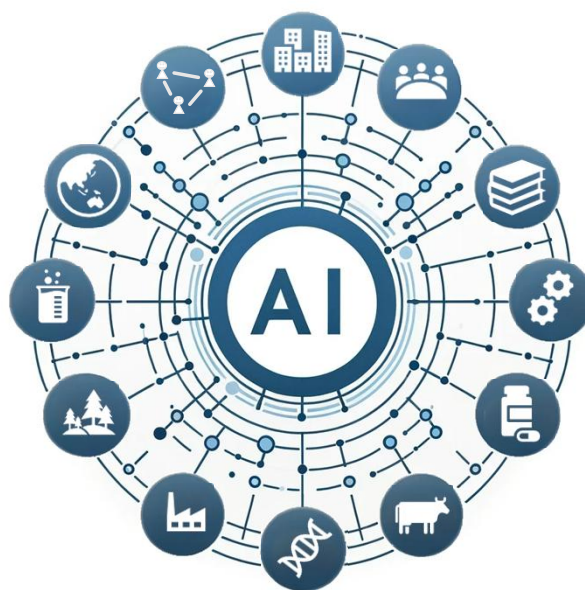
January 16, 2026 (Fri.) to January 30, 2026 (Fri.) 15:00

Financial Support:

A monthly research stipend of 280,000 yen will be provided, along with an annual research grant of 540,000 yen.

Project Home Page:

<https://spring-gx.adm.s.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/boost/>



SPRING GX Development Programs

- GX Core programs
- Study abroad and overseas dispatch program
- Self-directed and integrated project research
- Industry-academia collaboration internship program

Cultivating internationalism and
interdisciplinarity for demonstrating one's
abilities in society

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BOOST Development Programs

- Cross-disciplinary research exchange meetings
- On-campus internships
- Research planning workshops
- Entrepreneurship lectures

Promoting cross-disciplinary exchange
and collaboration to create societal
value

In addition to the unique development programs of BOOST NAIS, participants will have access to all transferable skills development programs conducted by SPRING GX.

