Department of Computational Biology and Medical Sciences,
Graduate School of Frontier Sciences,
The University of Tokyo

Admissions Guide

Academic Year 2026
Entrance Examination, Schedule A

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1. Briefings for both Master's and doctoral programs

What You Need to Read Before You Apply

Admission Process

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Instructions specific to our department	Website of Department of Computational Biology and Medical Sciences

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- Inquiry Form (including Checklist)

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Website of Department of Computational Biology and Medical Sciences

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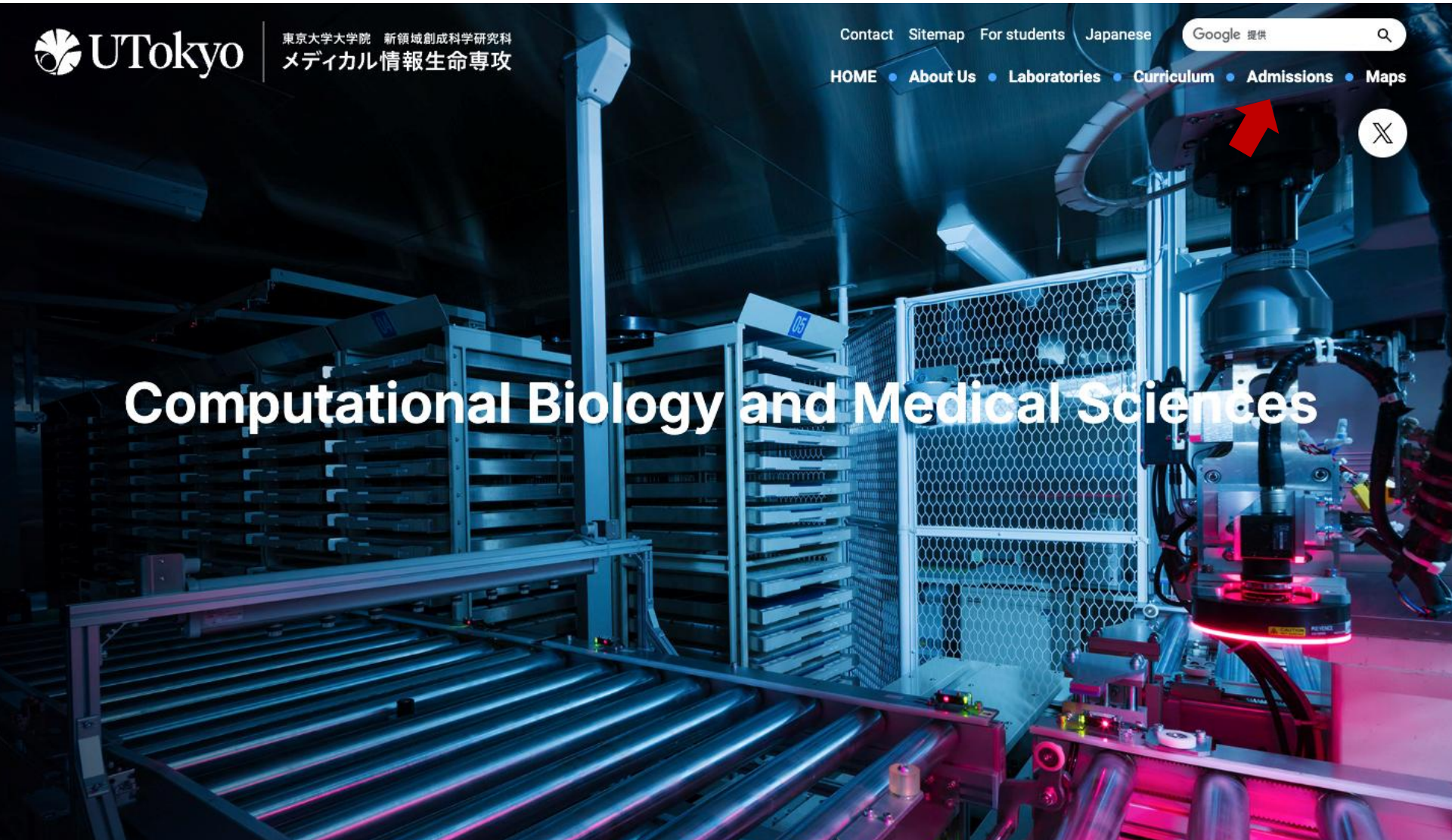

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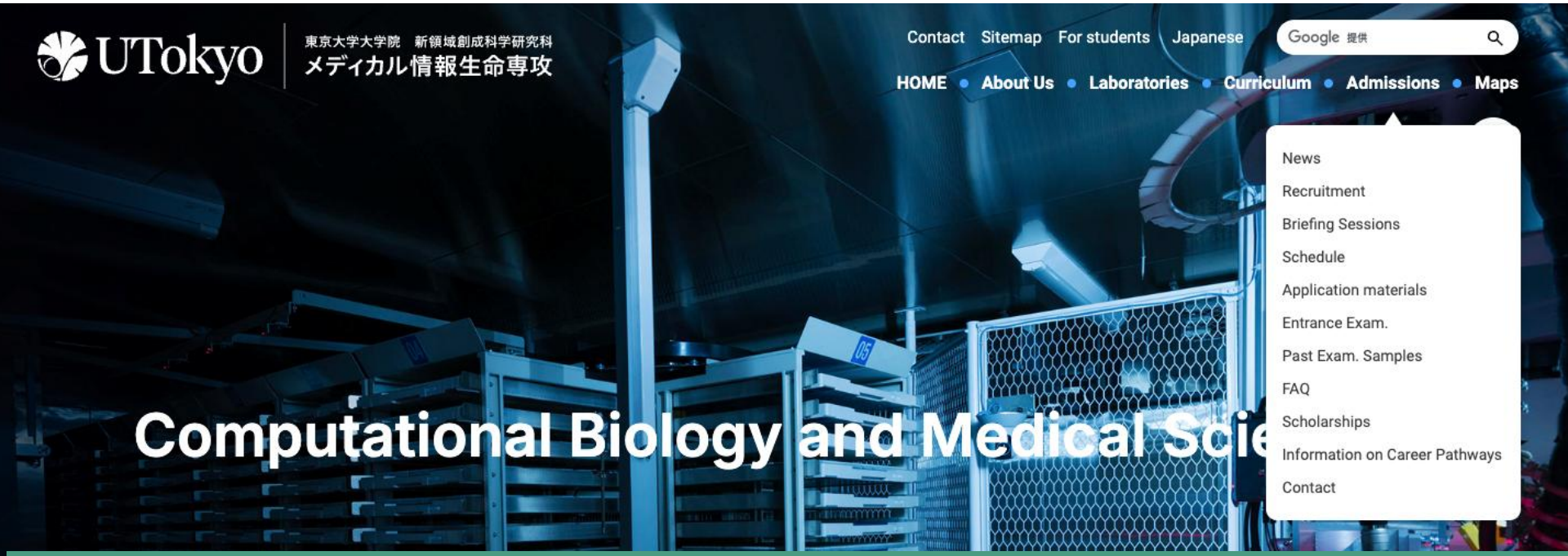

We will post important notifications
on the admissions section of the department website.

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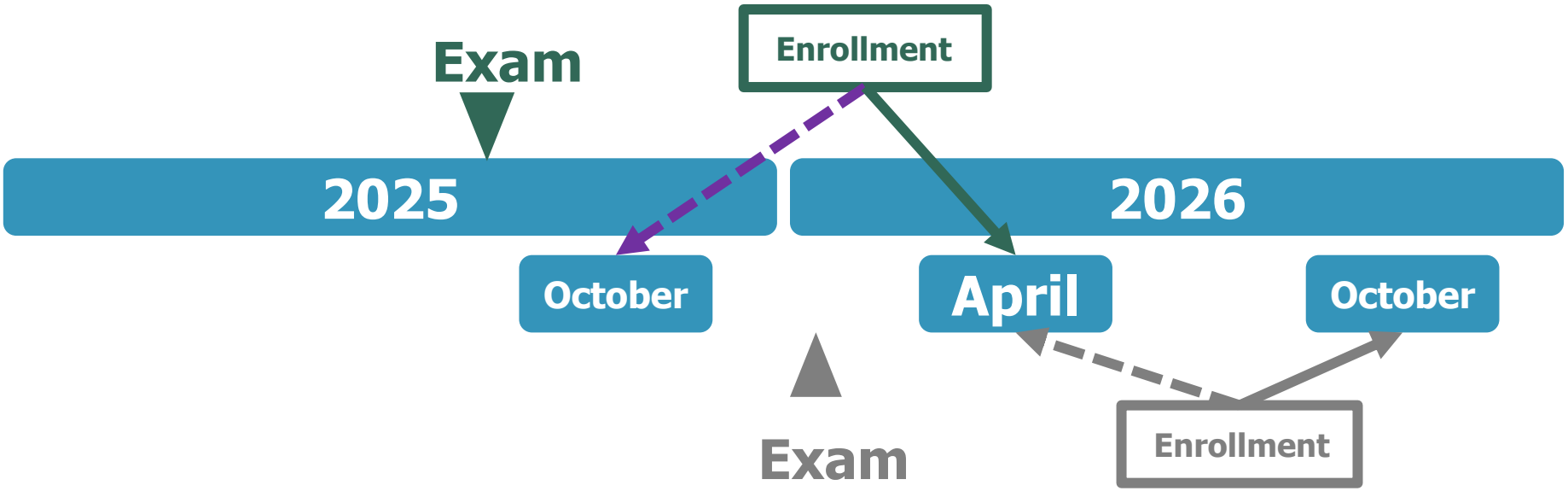
Time of Admission for Successful Applicants

Graduate School Entrance Examinations, Schedule A

August 2025 Examination
A part of the oral examinations will be conducted in January 2026

If you need to apply for a new Certificate of Eligibility, you will not be able to enroll in October 2025 by passing the entrance examination Schedule A. (Please see the flowchart for details)



Graduate School Entrance Examinations, Schedule B

January 2025 Examination
A part of the oral examinations will be conducted in August 2025

Time of Admission for Successful Applicants

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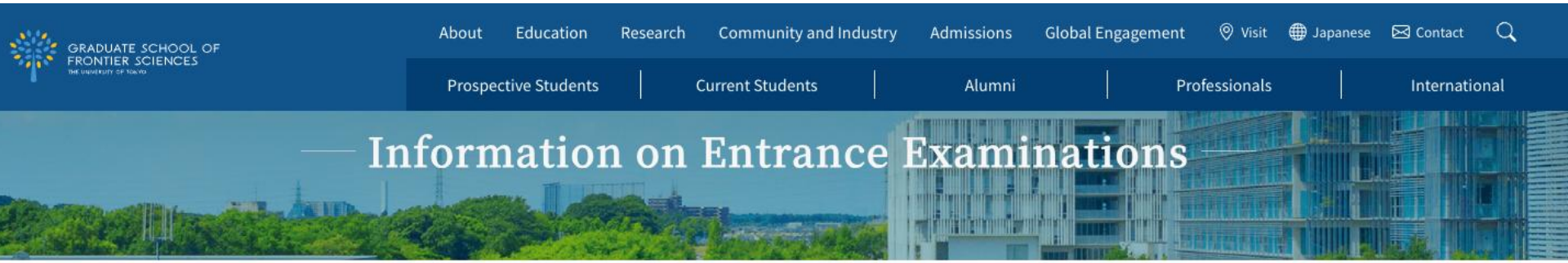

Welcome to our website for information on entrance examinations.
This website shows the necessary information on GSFS entrance examinations.

[Important] For those who are applying

- Applications must be submitted online.
- Please make sure that you can receive emails from the [**@e-apply.jp**] domain sent from the online application site.
- If you have any questions, please check "6. FAQs" at the bottom of this page.
- The Guidelines for Applicants to the 2025 [Master's and doctoral programs] have been released. (March 29, 2024)

- Flowchart and FAQ on the enrollment timing for foreign applicants from the entrance examination for the academic year of 2025 (Updated on September. 10)
- Scholarships that can be applied for at the same time as the application for the entrance examination (international students only) (Updated on September.3)
- Application for Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) (International students only) (Updated on June.24)

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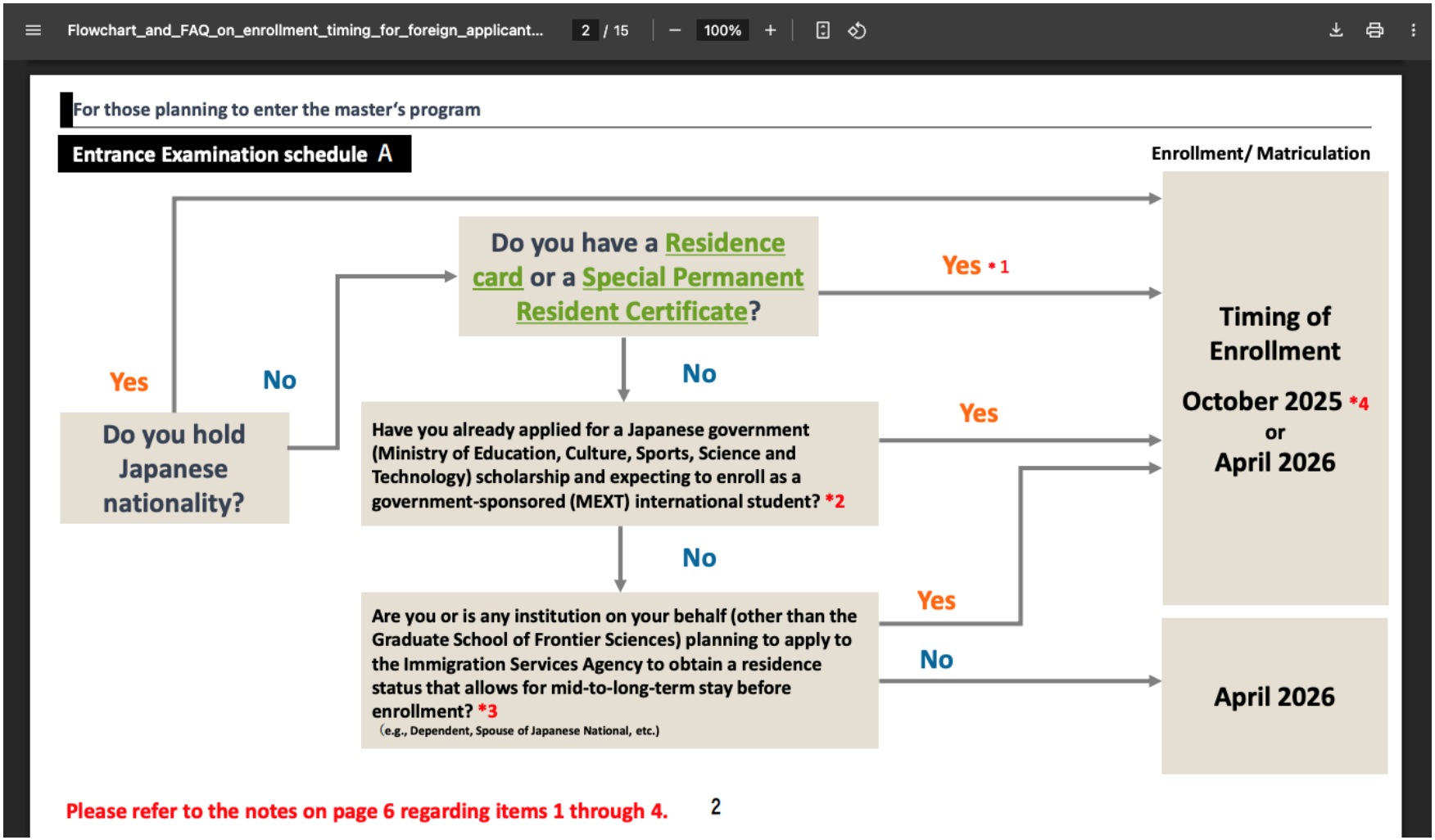

Exam Overview of Graduate School Entrance Exams

Schedule A: August 5-7, 2025

- Submit English Proficiency Score Report
- Written Examination (Specialty)
- Oral Examination (Interview)

Schedule B: January 13-15, 2026

- Submit English Proficiency Score Report
- Written Examination (Specialty)
- Oral Examination (Interview)

Multiple attempts allowed

English Proficiency Evaluation Method

Schedule A: August 6-8, 2024

Submit **TOEFL iBT** or **TOEIC L&R*** Score Report

(taken on or after September 1, 2023)

Schedule B: January 14-16, 2025

Submit **TOEFL iBT** or **TOEIC L&R*** Score Report

(taken on or after February 1, 2024)

*TOEIC L&R exams taken in Japan only

No other English scores will be accepted

- TOEFL iBT Home edition
- IELTS

Schedule A of Entrance Examination

Laboratory visits, etc. *After the application deadline, contacting a faculty member is prohibited.

Application	**June** 5-11, 2025	Website of Graduate School of Frontier Sciences
↓	The first-stage successful candidates (those who proceed to the written examination) will be announced on the department website at noon on July 18, 2025.	
Written Exam	August 5, 2025	Kashiwa Campus
↓	On August 6, 2025, at noon, the second-stage successful applicants (those who proceed to the oral examination) will be announced on the department website.	
Oral Examination	August 6 or 7, 2025	Kashiwa or Shirokanedai Campus
↓	The third-stage successful applicants will be announced at noon on August 8, 2025 on the department website.	
Announcement of Acceptance	September 3, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.	Website of Graduate School of Frontier Sciences

Written Examination (Specialty)

All groups and courses: August 5, 2025

- The written examinations will be conducted at the Kashiwa campus in person.
  - The exam cannot be taken online.
- When you apply, you can choose either Japanese or English as the language of the question booklet.
- In **Medical Sciences Group** and **Computational Biology Group,** you answer 3 questions out of 11.
- In the **Biomedical Innovation Course**, applicants answer one required question from the social sciences section and choose another two questions to answer from six questions (these six questions differ from the questions set to the two Groups.).
- Answers can be in Japanese or English.
- Past questions can be downloaded from the department's website.

Written Examination (Specialty)

Question Content (11 questions)

- 1 Question - Basics of life science and computer science
- 5 Questions - Life Sciences and Related Fields
- 5 Questions - Computer Science and Related Fields

- The knowledge our department asks in the written examination does not change significantly.
- The change was introduced at the last academic year.
- An example question on the fundamentals of life sciences and computer science was also disclosed.

Written Examination (Specialty)

URL: https://www.cbms.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/admission/exam/

Last Update: 2024/9/13

Notes (Major changes from previous years, etc.)

Written Examination (Speciality), changed from Schedule A, 2025

The questions for applicants to the Medical Sciences Group and the Computational Biology Group will be changed, and applicants will be required to select and answer three questions from a total of 11 questions from the fields of the life science, information science, and related fields.

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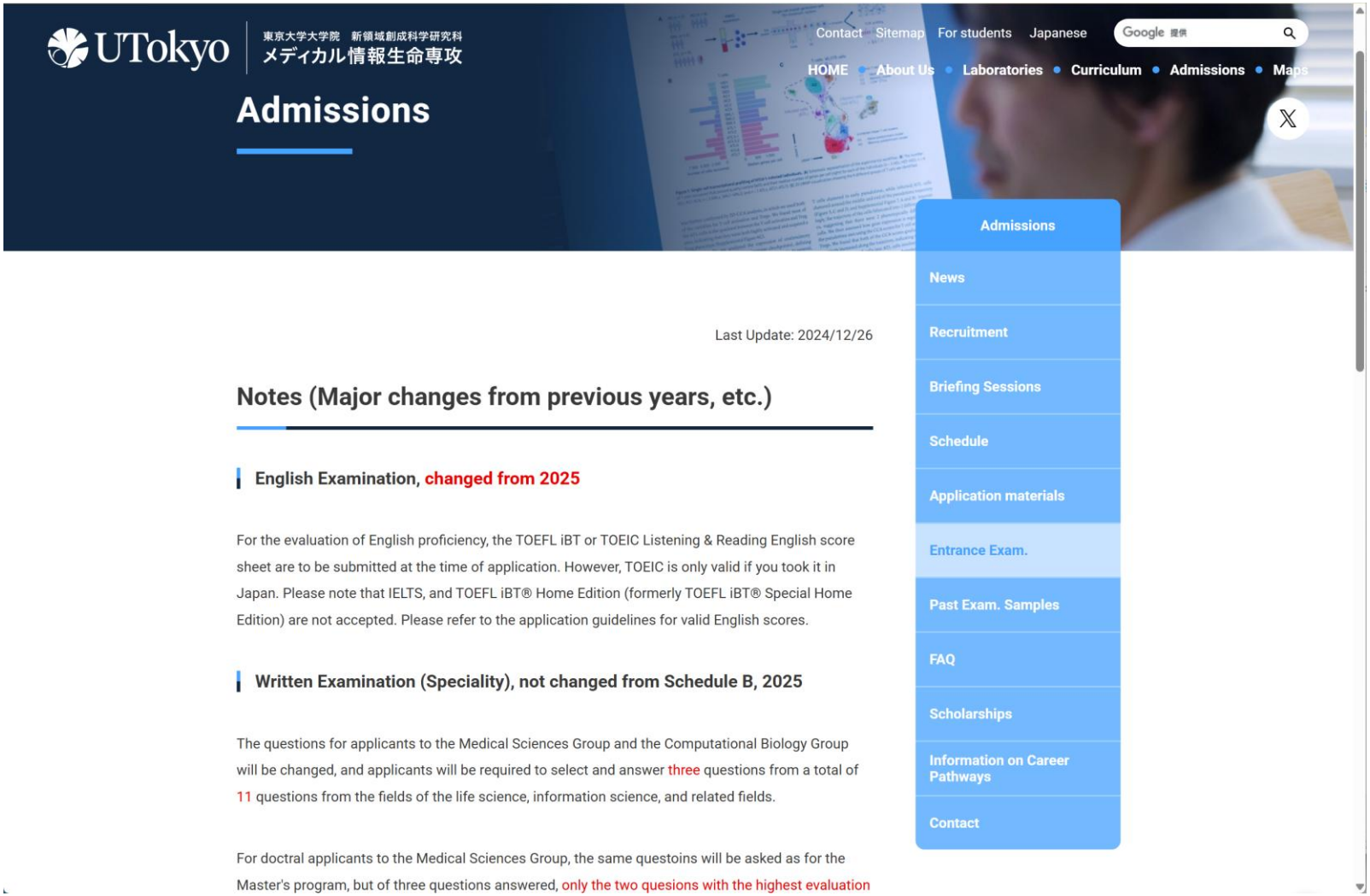

Oral Examination (Interview)

Medical Sciences (MS) Group

Computational Biology (CB) Group

August 7, 2025　Kashiwa Campus

Biomedical Innovation (MI) Course

August 6, 2025 p.m. Shirokanedai Campus

- In addition to basic academic ability, we will comprehensively examine applicants to determine their motivation for applying, research motivation, ability to explain, originality, and cooperativeness.
- The start time of the oral examination will be designated for each candidate.

Application Period

Tuesday, June 5 through Wednesday, June 11, 2025

- By 23:00 JST on the 11th.

Application Documents

	When applying online (Deadline: June 11)	Submitting original documents
Personal Information	Online input only	Not necessary
Inquiry Sheet	Fill out a designated form, convert it to PDF and upload.	Not necessary
Inquiry Form	Fill out the online form, convert your answer to PDF and upload.	Not necessary
English score reports	Input your score(s) in Inquiry Form.	Ask ETS to send your score directly from ETS during Online Application Period
Academic transcripts & Graduation certificate (degree certificate)	Upload pdf file.	Submitting original documents at the enrollment procedure
Certificate of Japanese Proficiency Test (optional)	Upload pdf file. *Only JLPT N1 is considered.	Submitting original documents at the oral examination

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Last Update: 2024/9/13

Application Materials for Entrance Examination Schedule B, 2025 (January 2025)

Master's Program

Guidelines to Master's Program

Applicant's Guide of CBMS ver2.0 (Schedule B) (coming soon)

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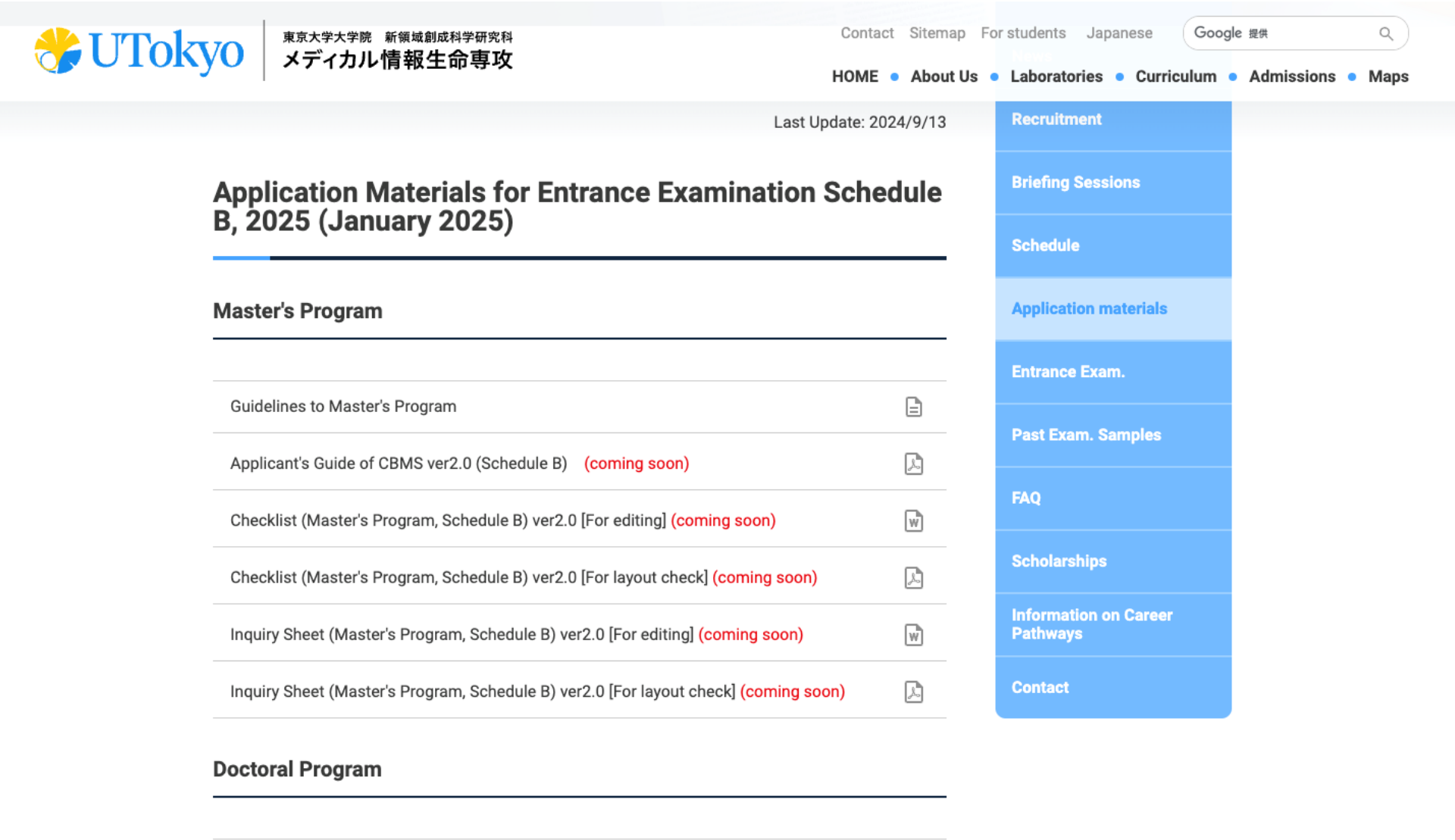


Academic Transcripts

For Applicants to Master Course

Submit your undergraduate transcripts.

Kosen students (students in college of technology in Japan) must submit a total of four years (correspond to the undergraduate course) for the last two years of the main course and the two years of the specialized course.

For Applicants to Doctoral Course

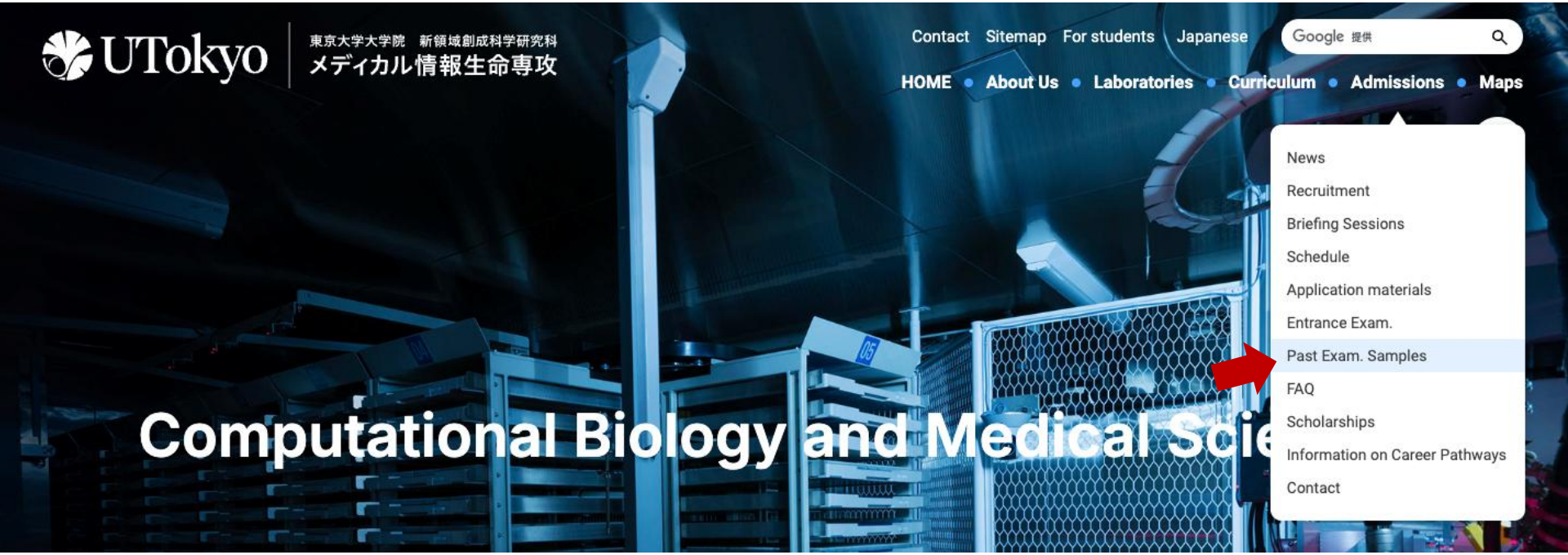
Submit your undergraduate and graduate transcripts.

- The online application system has a limit on the number of files to be submitted, so if you have multiple transcripts, please submit them together as a combined PDF file.

Past exam question collection

Written Examination (Specialty)

- Past questions can be downloaded from the department's website.
- Please contact the admissions committee for past exam questions of the Biomedical Innovation course.



If You have Questions

Instructions specific to our department, and Applicants' Guide

Admissions Information, Department of Computational Biology and Medical Sciences

URL: http://www.cbms.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/admission/

Please also refer to the FAQ page.

URL: https://www.cbms.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/admission/faq/

Guidelines for Applicants (eligibility screening, application, submission of certificates, etc.)

Admissions Information Website, Graduate School of Frontier Sciences, The University of Tokyo

URL: https://www.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/exam/info/

Please also refer to the FAQ page.

URL: https://www.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/exam/faq/index.html

FAQ Page of Our Website

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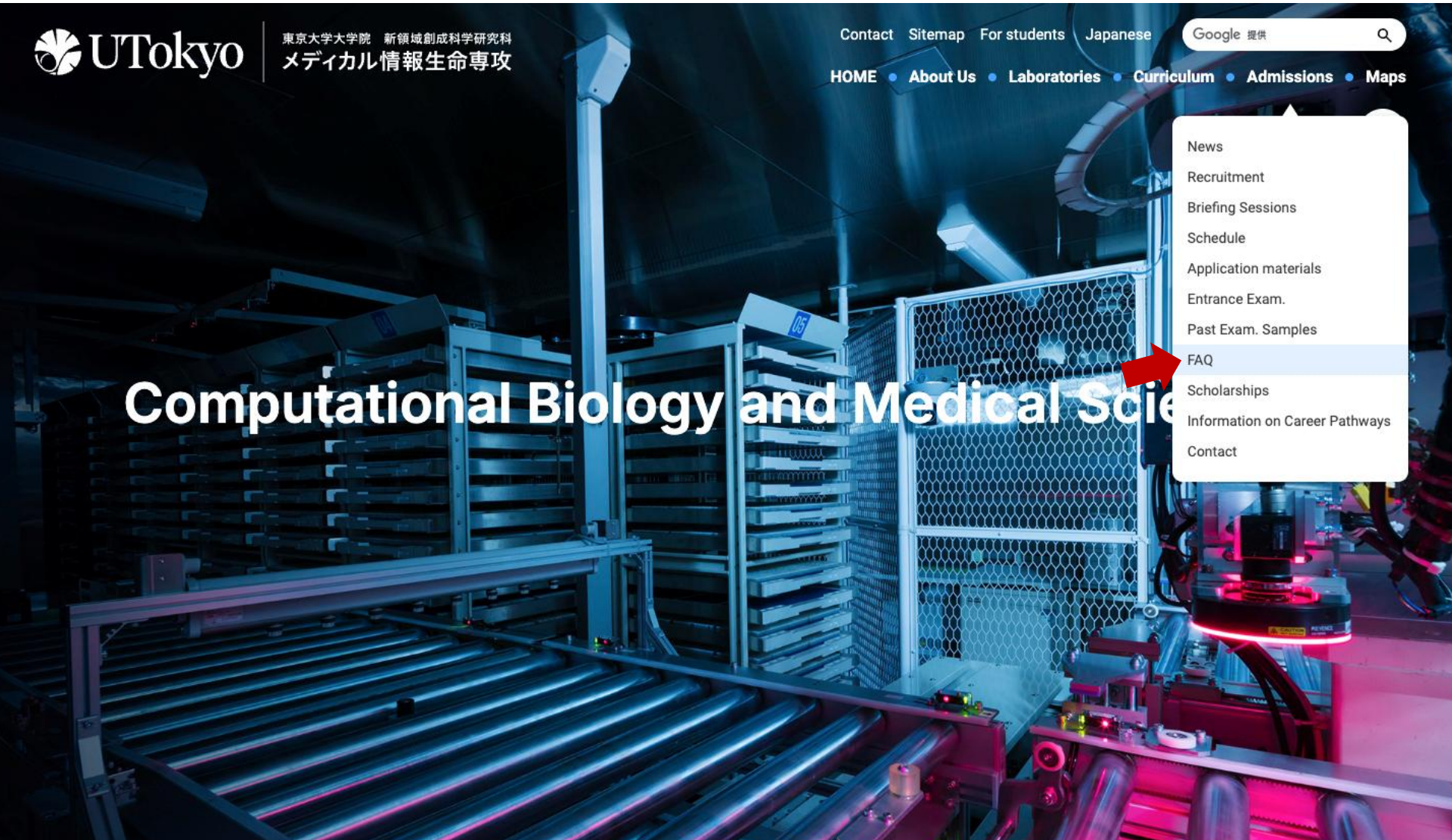

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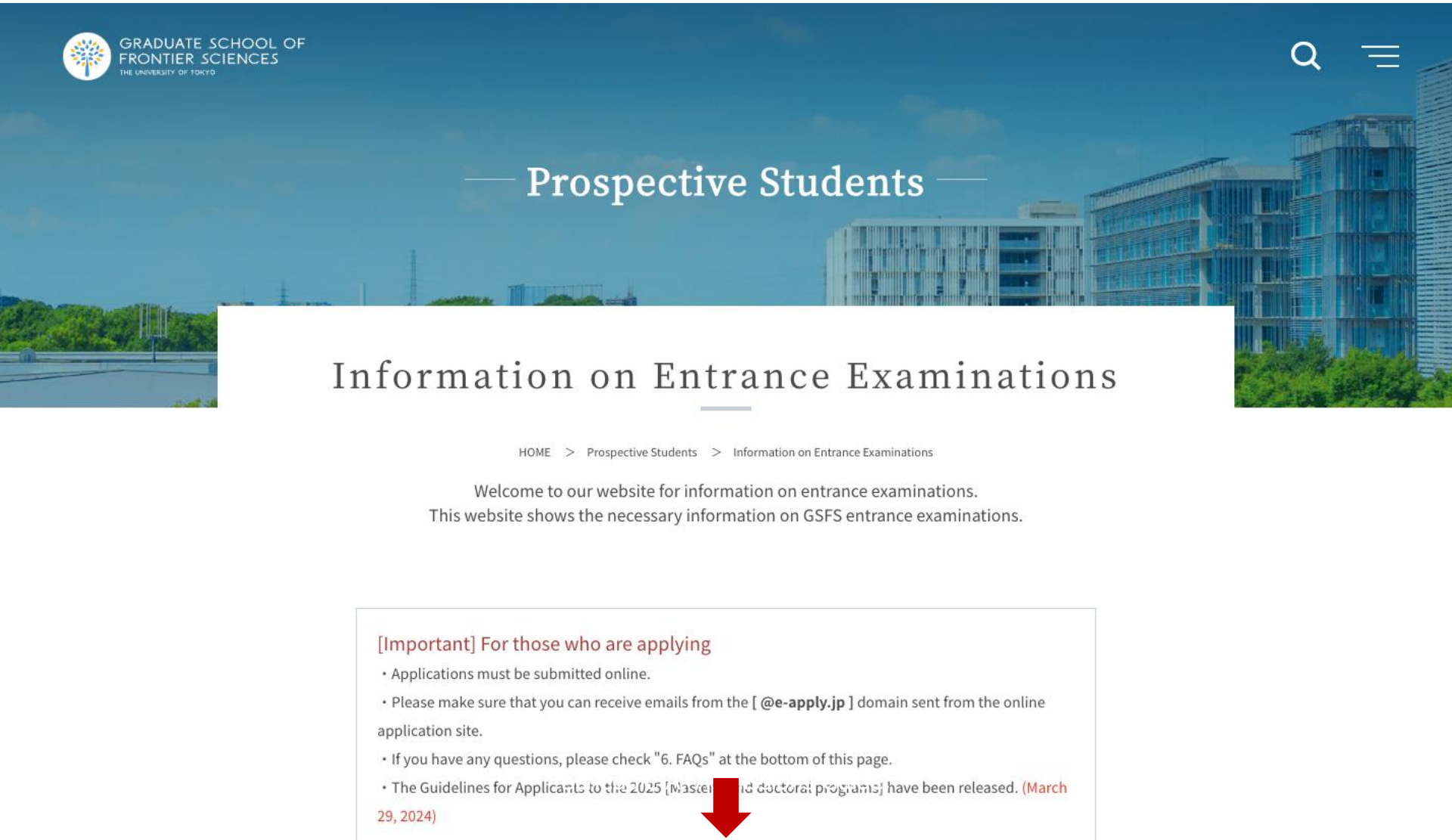

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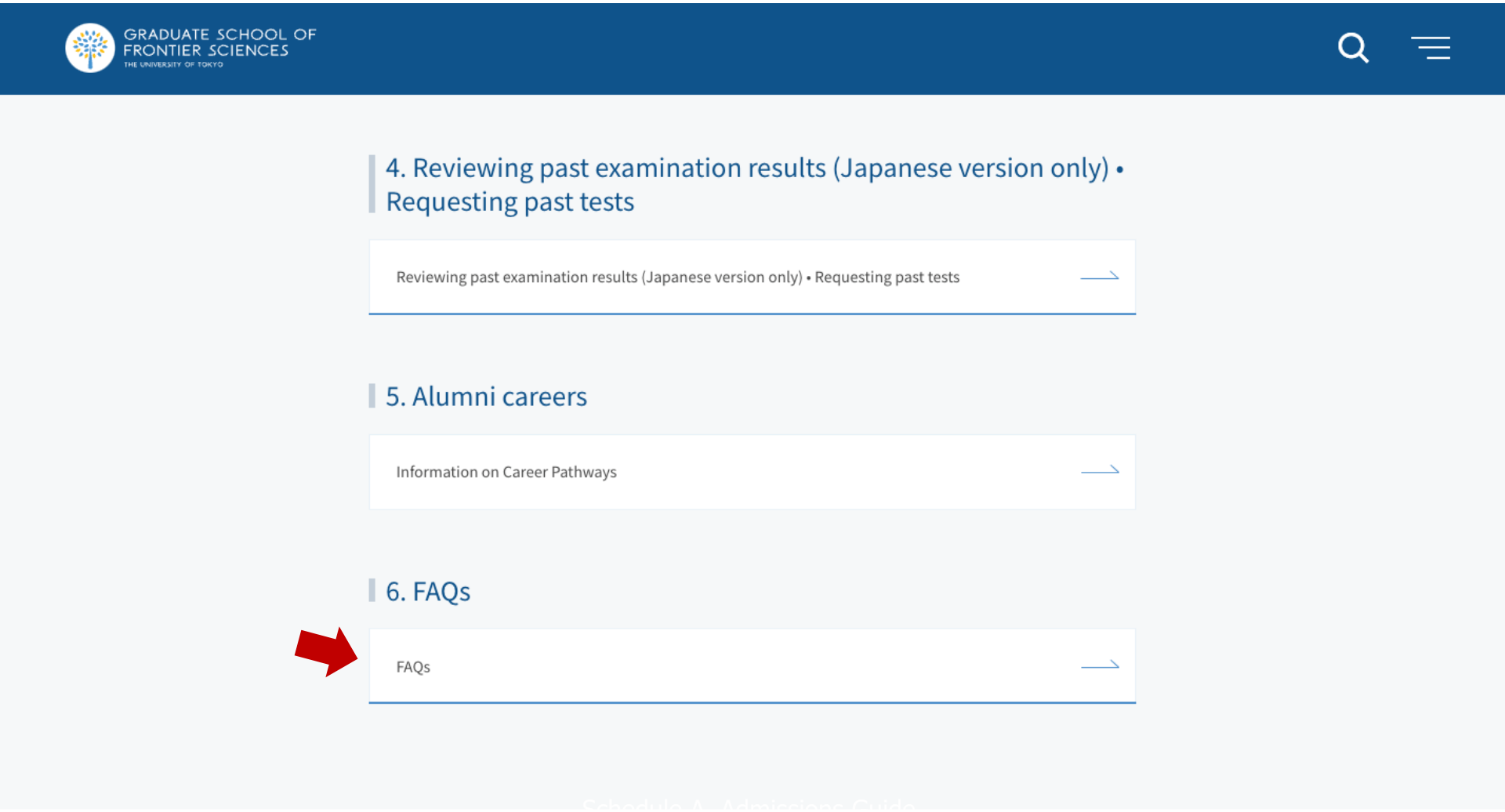

Contact Information

Instructions specific to our department, and Applicants' Guide

Email us

e-mail: nyushi-cbms@edu.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp

Medical Sciences Group	Contact: Kei Endo
Computational Biology Group	Contact: Masahiro Kasahara
Biomedical Innovation Course	Contact: Shingo Kano

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Student Affairs Team,Graduate School of Frontier Sciences, The University of Tokyo

Contact Form:

→ URL: https://forms.office.com/r/QGh4j9VYXv

Contact Form of the Graduate School

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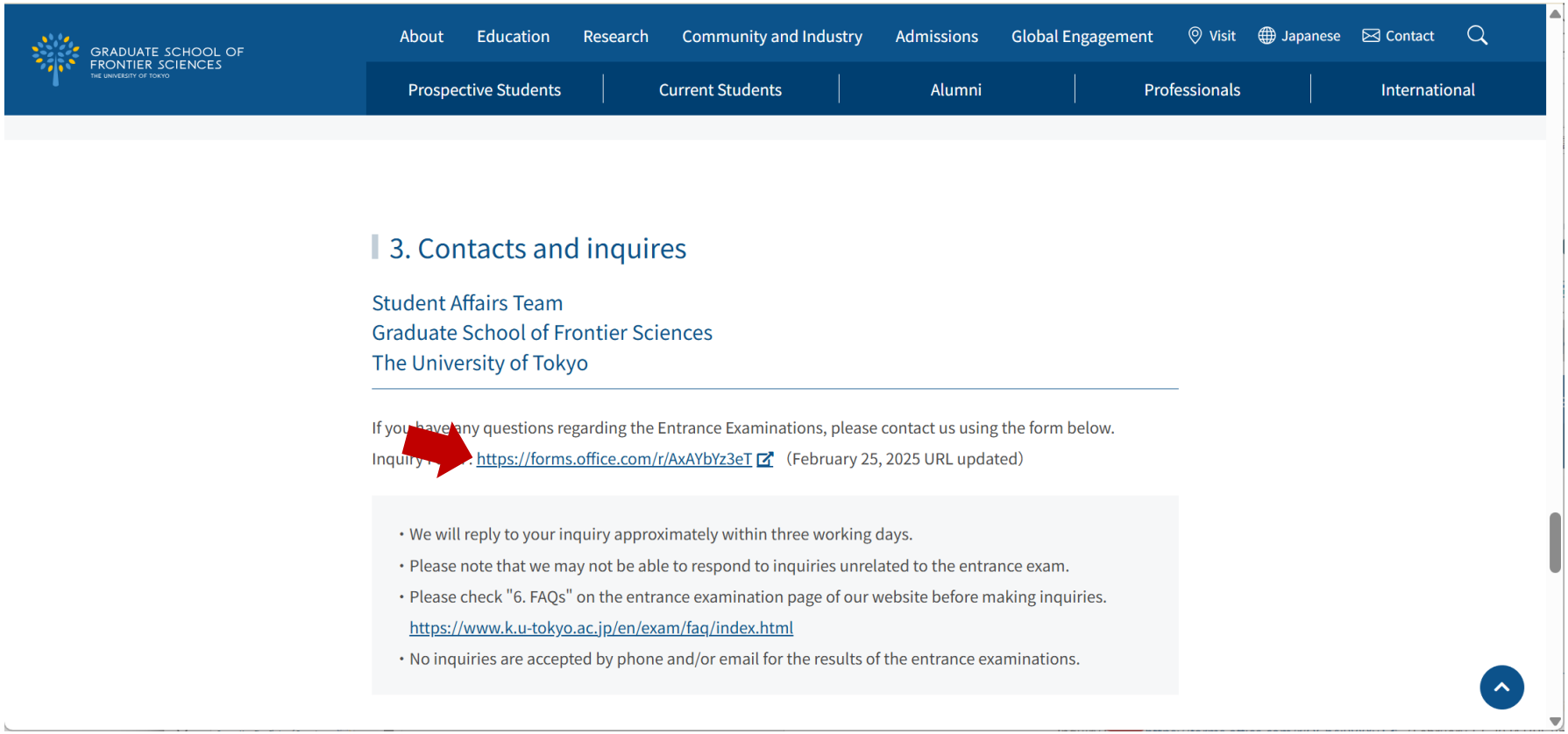

2. Briefings for Master's program applicants

Contact Your First Choice of Supervisor

- Please make sure that you contact the prospective supervisor of your first choice before the application deadline.
- In graduate school, research is a major part of student life. We strongly recommend that you consult with the prospective supervisor of the laboratory of your first choice well in advance of application to ensure that your research and student life will proceed smoothly after admission.
- We encourage not only visits labs online, but also directly contact labs by email or other means afterwards.

Points to Keep in Mind when Filling Out Application Forms

1. Please fill in the designated number of laboratories of your choice.
   - Medical Sciences group — Up to **3** labs.
   - Computational Biology group — Up to **3** labs.
   - Biomedical Innovation course — Up to **1** lab.
     - Even if a prospective supervisor states that they would accept you, you may be assigned to your second-choice or later due to capacity issue or others.
2. Only one group/course can be specified.
   - You cannot apply to laboratories across the Medical Sciences group, the Computational Biology group, and the Biomedical Innovation course.

3. Briefings for Doctoral program applicants

Contact Your First Choice of Supervisor

- Please make sure that you contact the prospective supervisor of your first choice before the application deadline. Discuss your research plan well.

Eligibility Screening

- Applicants who have graduated or are expected to graduate from a 6-year undergraduate program in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy, etc. must be screened for eligibility.
- Ask Student Affairs Team by May 8.
- In case that an applicant has not contacted us in advance, please consult with us immediately.

Applicants to Doctoral Course - Written Exams, English Proficiency

- Exemption
  - Not required for those who have completed the Master's program at our department.
  - See Table 1 in the Applicant's Guide for details.
- Submit English Proficiency Score Report
  - If you are applying to the Biomedical Innovation Course, and if you are from UTokyo Master courses, you are exempt from submitting an English proficiency score.
- Need to take Written Examination (Specialty)
  - Please note that the eligiblity and exemption rules are different from those in a few years ago.
  - Written exams are completely the same as ones for applicants to Master Course

Written Exams for Applicants to Doctoral Program: Only for the Medical Sciences Group

- The evaluation method for examinees in the Medical Sciences group has been changed.
  - The same written examination as the master's degree application is required.
  - Out of the three questions answered, only the two questions with the highest scores will be used for the pass/fail decision.

(Example 1) If the answers to the three questions are 70 points, 60 points, and 50 points.

→ Adopting the scores of 70 and 60.

(Example 2) If the answers to the three questions are 80 points, 70 points, and 0 points.

→ Adopting the scores of 80 and 70.

Applicants to Doctoral Course - Oral Examination (Interview)

- Applicants will present their own research, including a master's thesis.
- You are required to submit an abstract of your presentation, including your master's thesis, in advance.
  - Instructions of how to submit the abstract will be provided after the announcement of the first-stage screening.
- We will comprehensively evaluate your basic academic skills, including your field of specialization, and your research motivation.
- We will contact those who graduate from (or are graduating from) our department, as the schedule and evaluation methods may differ.

Special Selection for Applicants with Profession

- If you meet the conditions below, you may take the Special Selection for Applicants with Professions.

  Applicants with Professions: An applicant who has received written confirmation from their employer that they will work for the company for 30 hours or more per week while enrolled, and will be paid during the period.

- Applicants who select the Special Selection for Applicants with Professions will take the same examinations as those in the ordinary exams.

- The difference might be that our evaluation will place greater emphasis on their experience in their profession.

Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education

- We will **NOT** offer a **Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education**.
- Please take the ordinary examination.

- We will **NOT** offer a **Special Selection for Applicants with Overseas Education**.
- Please take **Ordinary Exams**.

Take-Home Message

- Please make sure that you contact the prospective supervisor of your first choice before the application deadline. Discuss your research plan well. Tell them clearly that you apply.

- Please check the department webpage periodically.
  - 𝕏(@cbmsPr) also provides information related to entrance examinations (in Japanese).

4. Laboratory Introduction Video

Laboratory Introduction Video

- On the day of the briefing session, we will let you watch videos introducing all the laboratories that will be recruiting students for this entrance examination.
- Please note that laboratories may accept only master's degree applicants or only doctoral applicants.
- On the day of the briefing session, you can also watch lab intros from the playlist by master's and doctoral degree, and by group and course.
- Many laboratories will continue to release videos introducing their laboratories after the briefing session until the application deadline.

Laboratory Introduction Video

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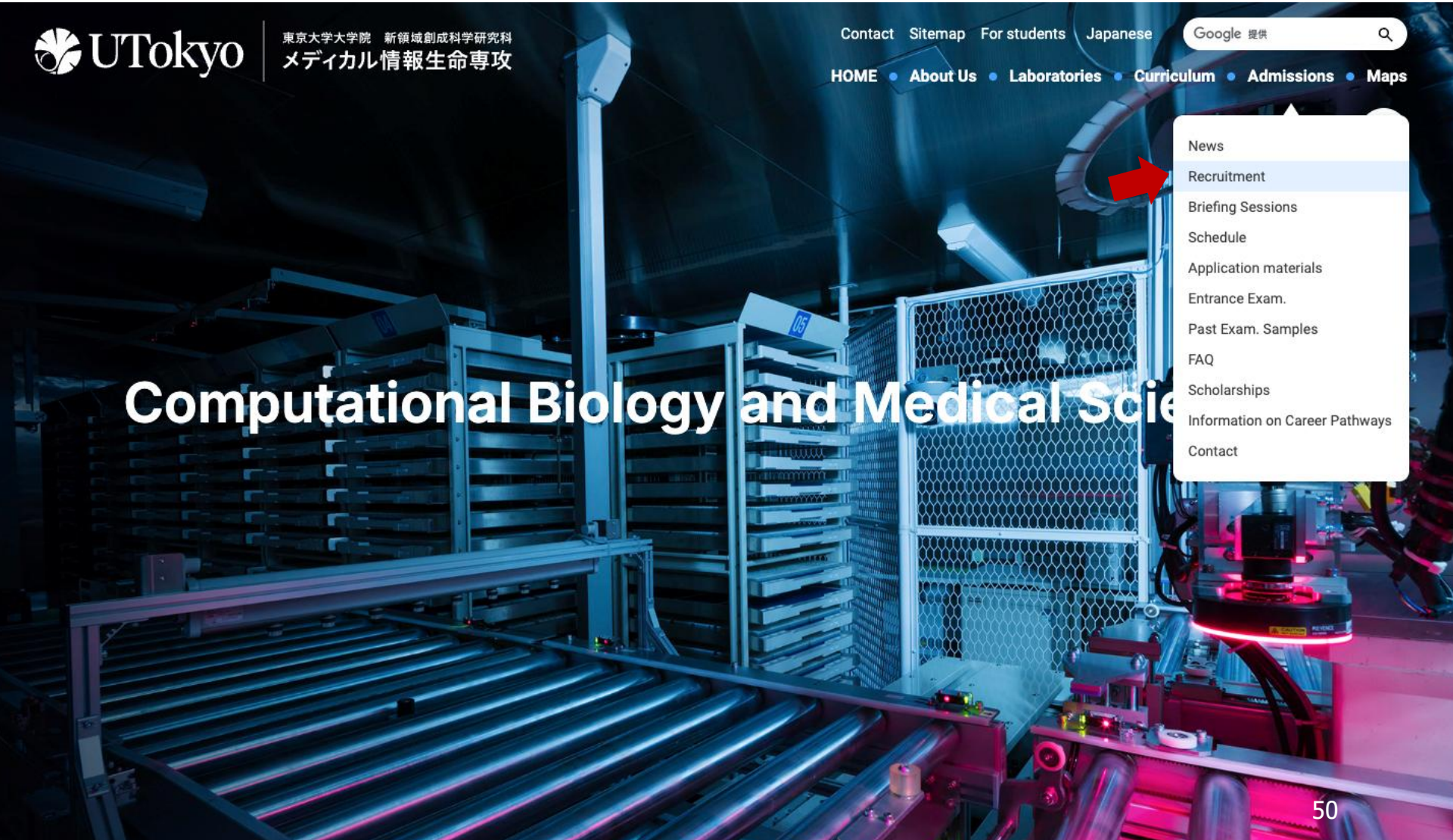

Laboratory Introduction Video

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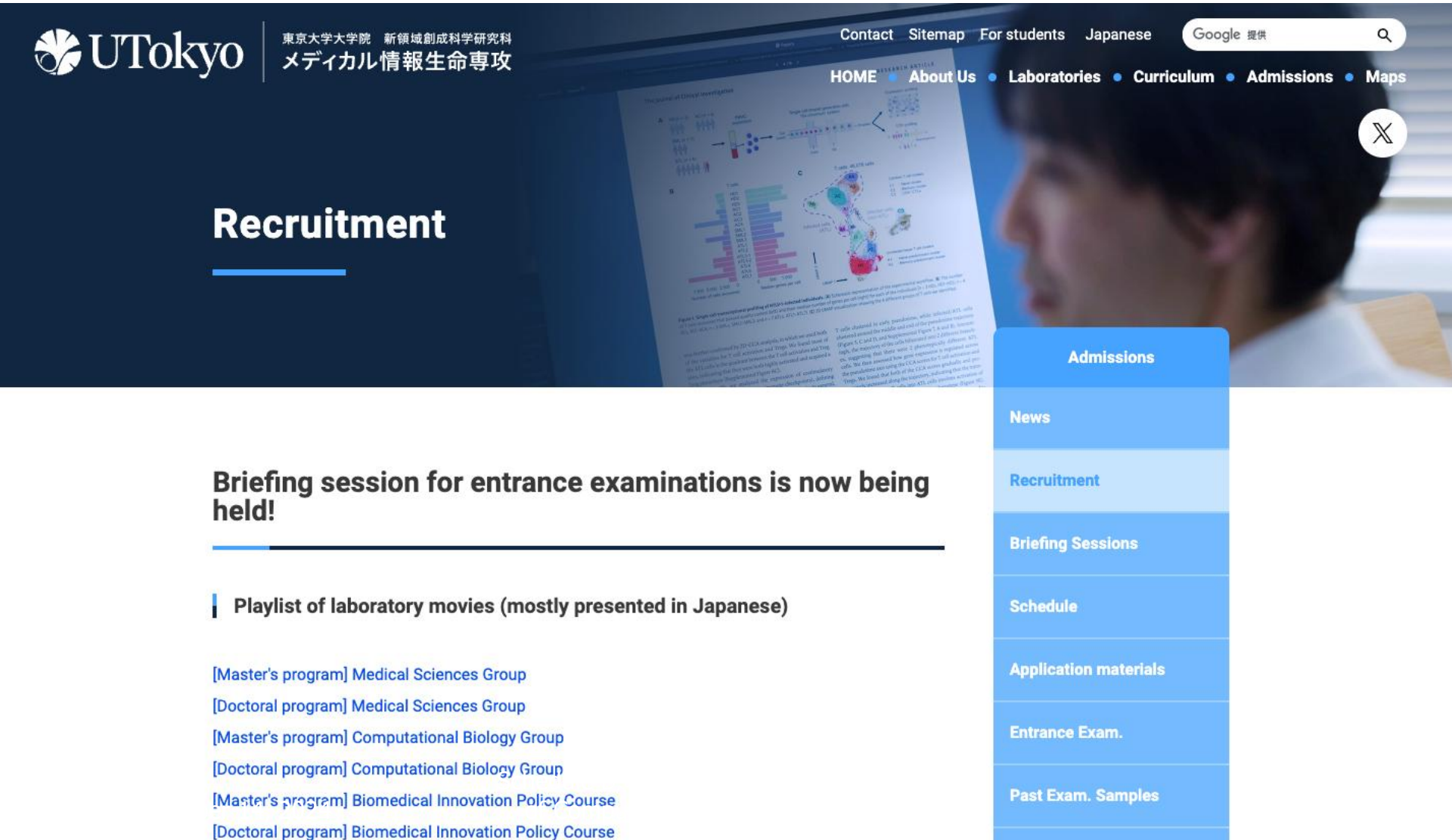

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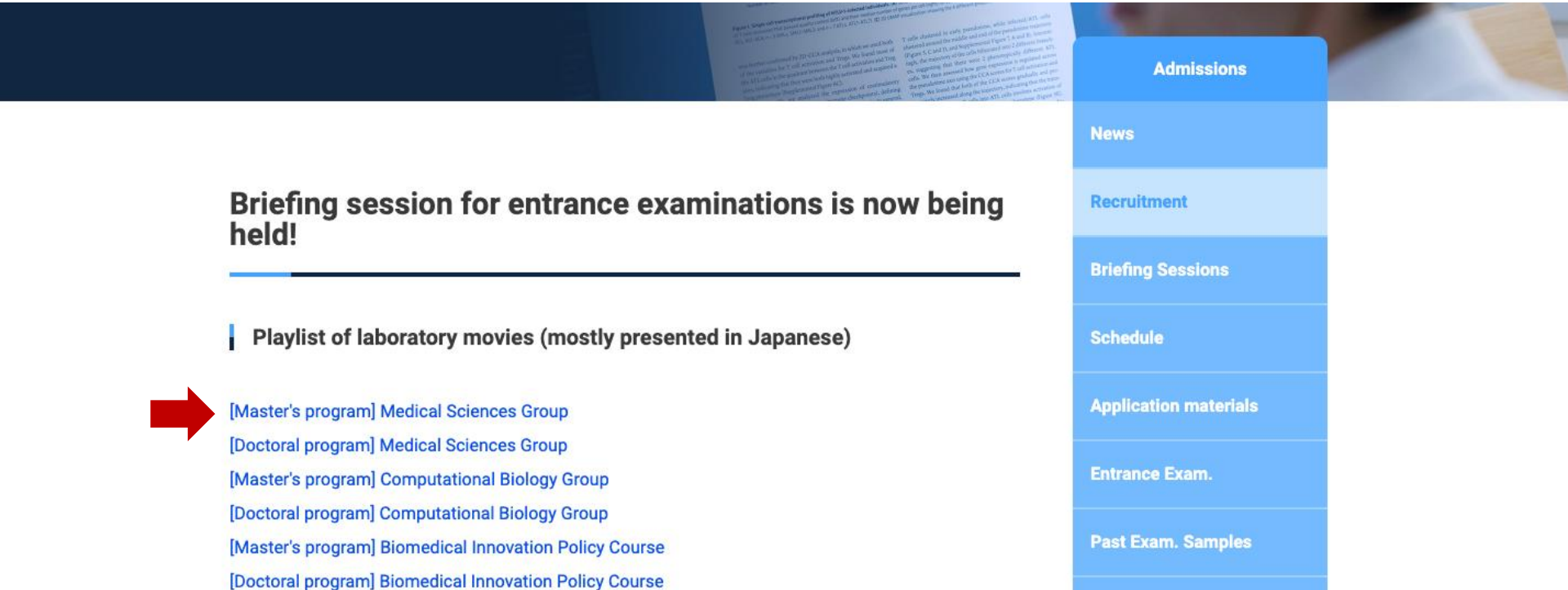
- Using the playlist, you can watch videos introducing laboratories that are recruiting students all at once.



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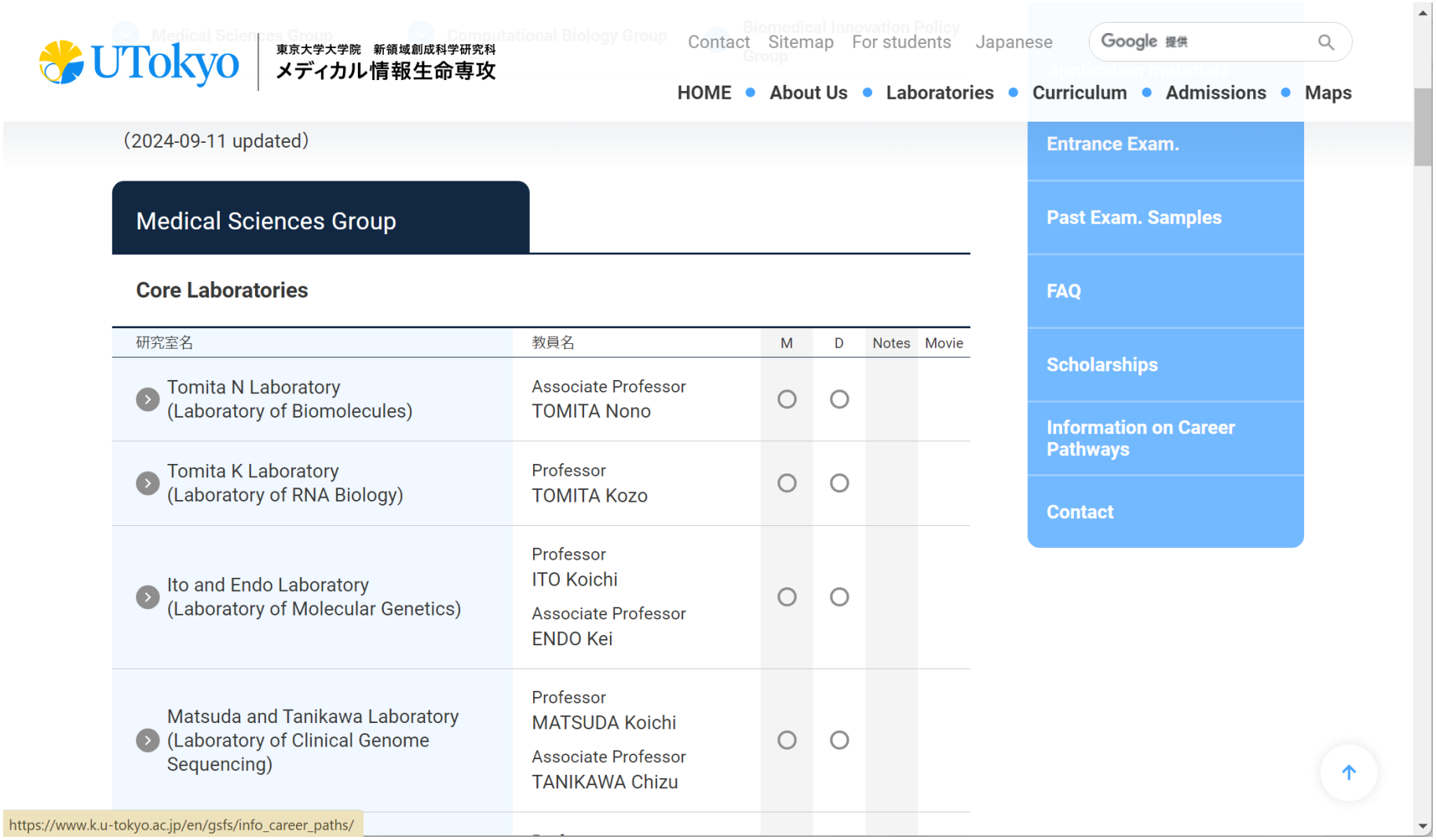

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Medical Sciences Group

Core Laboratories

研究室名	教員名	M	D	Notes	Movie
Tomita N Laboratory (Laboratory of Biomolecules)	Associate Professor TOMITA Nono	○	○		
Tomita K Laboratory (Laboratory of RNA Biology)	Professor TOMITA Kozo	○	○		
Ito and Endo Laboratory (Laboratory of Molecular Genetics)	Professor ITO Koichi Associate Professor ENDO Kei	○	○		
Matsuda and Tanikawa Laboratory (Laboratory of Clinical Genome Sequencing)	Professor MATSUDA Koichi Associate Professor TANIKAWA Chizu	○	○		

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FAQ

Scholarships

Information on Career Pathways

Contact

https://www.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/gsfs/info_career_paths/

Laboratory Introduction Video

- Videos for each laboratory can be viewed by clicking the icon in the video column to the right of the supervisor's name.
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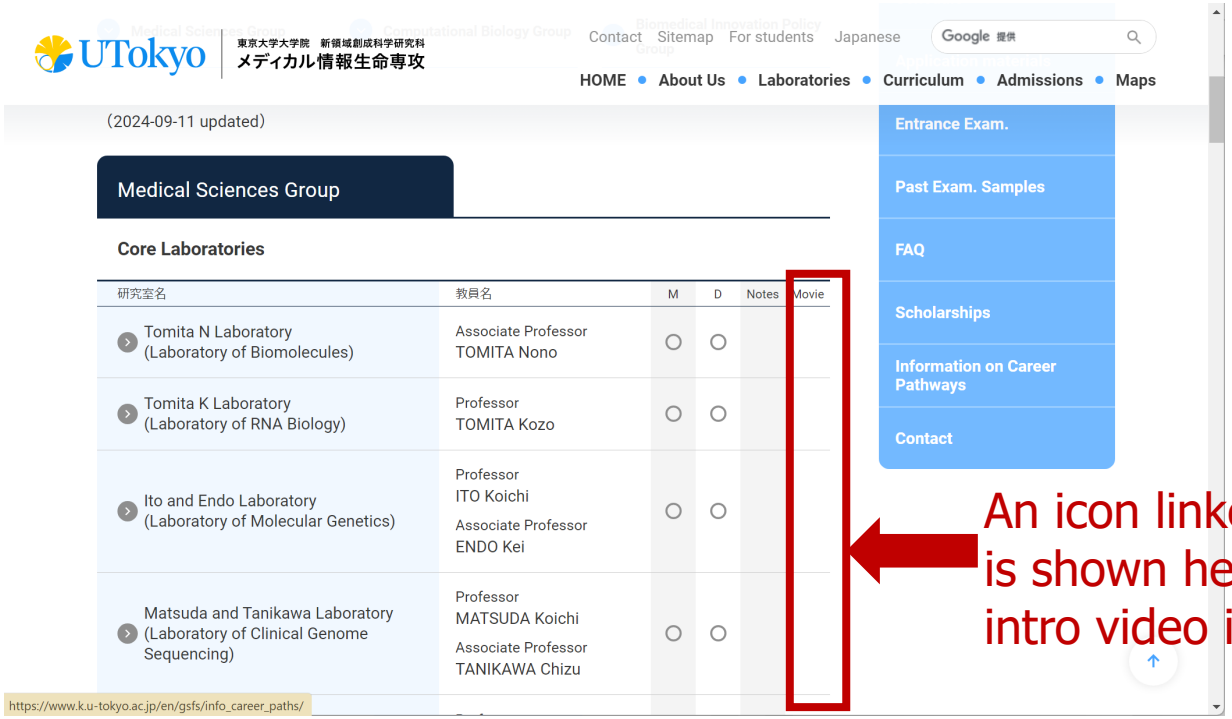

5. Online Laboratory Visits

Meet the Professor (Online Lab Visit)

- We have three online lab visit sessions starting from **16:00**, **16:20**, **and 16:40**.
- Clicking on the speech bubble icon to the right of the faculty member's name (in the recruitment webpage) will bring you to the online room.
- Even if you have already visited the lab online, be sure to contact the faculty member you wish to have as your first-choice advisor directly and discuss your future research plans thoroughly, including visiting the lab in person if possible.

Meet the Professor (Online Lab Visit)

- The speech bubble icon to the right of the faculty member's name is the link to the room.
- If there is no bubble icon, that professor is not available today. Ask them later.

(2025-04-05 updated)

Medical Sciences Group

Core Laboratories

研究室名	教員名	M	D	Notes	Movie
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Tomita K Laboratory (Laboratory of RNA Biology)	Professor TOMITA Kozo	○	○		▶
Ito and Endo Laboratory (Laboratory of Molecular Genetics)	Professor ITO Koichi Associate Professor ENDO Kei	○	○	💬	▶
Matsuda and Tanikawa Laboratory (Laboratory of Clinical Genome Sequencing)	Professor MATSUDA Koichi Associate Professor TANIKAWA Chizu	○	○		▶

Not attending today.
Ask them by email.

Attending today.
Clicking on this to enter the room

Today's Schedule from Now On

Question and Answer Session

We will answer questions received until around 3:00 pm, which is the end time for the (mainly) Japanese Q&A session.

Questions will be accepted in Japanese and English.

Laboratory Introduction Video

Please watch the introduction videos of laboratories on the Student Recruitment Status page.

Meet the Professor (Today, starting at 16:00)

Please join in at the laboratory visit URL from the lab visit information site linked from the recruitment webpage.