

Accelerated Graduation Program for TAISI 2020 September Enrollees (graduation in 3.5 years) and TAISI 2021 April Enrollees (graduation in 3 years)

Details on the application process for the Accelerated Graduation Program for TAIISI 2020 September Enrollees (graduation in three and a half years) and TAIISI 2021 April Enrollees (graduation in three years) are as shown below. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the School of Social Sciences.

Eligible Applicant:

※ A student who is enrolled in the Fall Semester 2020 (or Spring Semester 2021) with highest grade or grades ranking in the top 5% among students who are registered as “attendance at school”

Applicant Announcement: Eligible applicants will be notified by the office by Wed, March. 1, 2023

Application period: Wed, March. 1 to Sat, March. 4, 2023

Application place: By email to Office of the School of Social Sciences (taisi@list.waseda.jp)

Application form: Petition for Accelerated Graduation (prescribed)

Interview date: TBA (Information will be sent out separately)

Approval of Application: Eligible applicants will be notified through Waseda mail of the results on Fri, March. 10, 2023.

Accelerated Graduation Program (abstract)

The accelerated graduation program is meant for outstanding students who meet the prescribed requirements and who are highly motivated to graduate in three or three and a half years rather than the mandatory 4 years in order to have the opportunity to quickly advance towards graduate school and/or to start their professional careers.

(1) Application Period(Graduate in three years)

End of the 4th semester (only for students who are registered as “attendance at school”)

(1) Application Period(Graduate in three and a half years)

End of the 5th semester (only for students who are registered as “attendance at school”)

(2) Eligibility Criteria(Graduate in three years)

●A GPA score of at least 3.2 (calculation is based upon credits that count towards graduation only)

●Highest grade or grades ranking in the top 5 % among students who enrolled at same period.

●In case of Graduate in three years:

In two years (by the end of the 4 th semester), students should have obtained at least 76 of the following credits: Freshman Seminar 4 credits, Sophomore Seminars 4 credits, Foundation in Social Sciences 16 credits(credits that can be counted towards graduation only.)

(2) Eligibility Criteria(Graduate in three and a half years)

●A GPA score of at least 3.2 (calculation is based upon credits that count towards graduation only)

●Highest grade or grades ranking in the top 5 % among students who enrolled at same period.

●In case of Graduate in three and a half years:

In two and a half years (by the end of the 5 th semester), students should have obtained at least 96 of the following credits: Freshman Seminar 4 credits, Sophomore Seminars 4 credits, Junior Seminar 2 credits, Foundation in Social Sciences 16 credits(credits that can be counted towards graduation only.)

(3) Approval of Application

The University will confirm whether or not students meet the eligibility through an interview with the Associate Dean and supervisor.

(4) Seminar Registration

Students who obtain a succesful application result must attain the senior seminar credits from seminars offered in the designated semester and thereafter.

(5) Approval of Graduation (Graduate in three years) (At the end of the 6th Semester)

Students must satisfy the following conditions:

- Having obtained 124 credits in three years
- A GPA score of at least 3.2 (Calculation is based upon credits that count towards graduation only)
- Grades ranking in the top 5 %
- A+ or A grade on their Capstone Project

(5) Approval of Graduation(Graduate in three and a half years) (At the end of the 7th Semester)

Students must satisfy the following conditions:

- Having obtained 124 credits in three and a half years
- A GPA score of at least 3.2 (Calculation is based upon credits that count towards graduation only)
- Grades ranking in the top 5 %
- A+ or A grade on their Capstone Project

(6) Treatment of applicants who withdrew from the accelerated graduation program or applicants who do not comply with the above criteria upon the end of the 6th or 7th semester

Seminar credits offered in the 6th or 7th semester and thereafter shall be counted as Optional Courses in the following cases:

- a) Candidates who withdrew from the accelerated graduation program, b) candidates who do not fulfill the above criteria upon the end of the 6th or 7th semester, c) candidates determined unable to comply with all of the above criteria.

(7) Treatment of School Fees

In the case of succesful graduation in three or three and a half years, school fees for the 7th and 8th semester or 8th semester will not be collected.

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