Tsukuba Summer Institute

2017

University of Tsukuba
TSI Overview

- July 11th to July 18th, 2017 → week-long international seminar/workshop for undergraduate & graduate students in physical education & sport sciences

- University of Tsukuba (in the town of Tsukuba, Ibaraki prefecture) – approximately one hour north-east of Tokyo

- 8th year of the TSI – attendees have included scholars, students, teachers, & athletes from Japan, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, England, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, New Zealand, Scotland, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Ukraine, USA, & Wales

- Faculty and student participants have represented more than 25 universities around the world
TSI Programs

- **Collaborative Research Planning**
  
  *(CoRP – open to all, but focused on graduate study; up to 60 participants)*

- **Sports, Physical Activity, & Culture in Japan**
  
  *(SPAC – open to all; 40-50 participants)*

- **Laboratory**
  
  *(LAB – open to all, but mainly for graduate students; up to 20 participants)*

- **International Development through Sport**
  
  *(IDS – open to graduate students only; 20-30 participants)*

- Students choose one of these programs for the week

- Some overlap in that all students (1) attend daily lectures on different PE & sport science topics that are conducted by visiting scholars, and (2) can do poster presentations of their own work
CoRP Program

- Identifying a 'hot topic'
- Building the literature review
- Active reading
- Literature review/research questions
- The annotated bibliography
- Theory and theorists
- Research questions – and relationship to the literature review
- Preparing conference proposals
- Presenting your work
- Writing for publication
- Group presentations
SPAC Program (2016)

- Judo, Kendo, & Kyudo
- Japanese JHS sports clubs
- Japanese school fitness testing
- Japanese & international dance
- TGfU for physical education
- ‘Game Sense’ coaching
- Physical literacy
- Group presentations
Lab Program (2016)

- Taurine supplementation & exercise
- Exercise & brain fitness
- Neuroplasticity in spinal cord injury
- Jugular vein catheterization
- Protein expression by Western blot
- Exercise & cognition
- Biomechanical movement analysis using Vicon system
- Cutting edge research trends: International views
- Future questions
- Group presentations
IDS Program (2016)

- International sport policy studies
- Management & organization
- Globalization & sport
- NGOs & IDS
- IDS management
- Evaluation of mega-event legacies
- Group presentations
# Core TSI Schedule *(tentative)*

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**EVENINGS**
- Outdoor BBQ (day TBA; likely the Thursday or Friday)
- Recreational soccer tournament (day TBA)
- Student poster session (day TBA)
TSI Costs

- The TSI participation fee is ¥20,000 JPY per student (orientation reception, daily lunches, mid-week outdoor BBQ, and all program activities are covered by the participation fee)
- Accommodation is arranged by the local organizing committee (primarily residence-style) and is considerably more affordable than hotels (generally between ~ ¥2,500 JPY and ¥4,500 JPY per night)
Academic Credit

- The University of Tsukuba classifies the TSI as an intensive academic course (equivalent to a 'study abroad’ program) for which undergraduate and master's students can receive academic credit.

- Accordingly, the signed exchange agreements with partner universities stipulate that students from these partner institutions are eligible to receive academic credit (from their home departments) for attending the TSI if summer tuition fees are paid at the home university.
Faculty of Health & Sport Sciences
TSI web site: http://www.siit.jp/
Timeline: Application period to start in late winter/early spring 2017