ISS Internship Information for OSU students

O Number of Internship Participants

Approximately 16 students in total, including both Ohio State University and University of Tsukuba students.

- Selection Criteria
- Must be a member of the top groups from the ISS-PBL Final Presentation.
- · GPA of 2.30 or higher on a 3.00 scale
- Must be enrolled in and earn credit for "Introduction to Inclusive Smart Society I" or "Introduction to Inclusive Smart Society II" in the 2025 academic year, or have completed the course and earned credit in the 2024 academic year, or will complete the course and earn credit in the 2026 academic year.
- O Visit Period

Scheduled during the 2026 academic year (April 2026 to March 2027)

Internship Duration

Around one month.

To be determined based on the availability of both students and the host institution

Internship Placement

Private company in Japan, Tsukuba City Government, or research labs and associated institution at UT.

Students are responsible for arranging their own internship placements.

However, if they wish to intern at Tsukuba City Government, or research labs and associated institutions at UT, the ISS Program Office will coordinate the placement (in this case, internship in a group is preferable).

Please note that while the ISS Program Office will coordinate internship at Tsukuba City Government or research labs and associated institutions at UT, we cannot guarantee internship placement.

- O Financial Support from the ISS Program (may change depending on the situation)
- · Round-trip airfare between Japan and the U.S. will be provided
- Students will receive a JASSO scholarship of 80,000 yen, which can be used freely to cover local expenses such as accommodation, meals, and transportation

Other Information

We strongly encourage internship participants to challenge a business plan contest in a group or individually, before or after completing their internship.