

Invitation for ASCENT2012

“Asian Students Collaboration Encouragement Program in Technology2012”

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Organized by SAGE,

Student Association for Global Exchange

in Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan

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Student Association for Global Exchange (SAGE) in Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan is organizing the exchange program called ASCENT2012.

This program targets the students in the science and engineering fields from Tokyo Tech (Japan), Chulalongkorn University (Thailand) and Institute of Technology Bandung (Indonesia).

We would like to offer the opportunity for the students from those universities to join this program.

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➤ **Abstract of ASCENT program**

What is ASCENT?

ASCENT stands for “Asian Students Collaboration Encouragement Program in Technology”. This program aims to establish further international networks among students in Asian countries by studying development of Asian industry together. We invite students who study technology in Asian countries to Japan for about 10 days. Program contains companies visiting, laboratories visiting in Tokyo Tech, special lecture, group discussion and presentation on the settled theme.

Foundation of ASCENT

ASCENT was first held in March 2010 by Student Association for Global Exchange, SAGE in Tokyo Tech. This program intended to be a complementation of JAYSES (Japan-Asia Young Scientist and Engineer Study Visit) program, which send Tokyo Tech Students to Asian countries organized by International Office of Tokyo Tech from 2007. JAYSES succeeded to draw students’ interests to the world and create a basis of the Asian student networks. We decided to organize ASCENT to strengthen the connections even more and to lead Asian development of economy and technology in the future.

Program Purposes

1. Establish international networks among Asian students
2. Improve the ability to solve global problems
3. Learn research and development in technology and its application process to society

Effects on Students and Universities

1. Establish friendship among Asian university students which is beneficial for our future development
2. Improve the ability to solve global problems with foreign students who have different sense of values, and learn importance of cooperation.
3. Have the clear visions of study, business and activities by learning research and development in the real society.
4. Extend relationship between Asian universities and promote students exchange, give a chance to study abroad to ambitious students.

Implementation Guidance of ASCENT2012

Term

12th (Mon), Mar. 2012 –20th (Tue), Mar. 2012

Theme

Life and Technology –Urban System for Our Future-

Participants

A total of 18 participants, 6 students each from the following universities will be chosen.

-Japan: Tokyo Institute of Technology

-Thailand: Chulalongkorn University

-Indonesia: Institute of Technology Bandung

*Special Measure

We provide expected participants of ASCENT2011 attending priorities of ASCENT2012 without any selection because the Great East Japan Earthquake prevented ASCENT2011. Some participants will be decided separately from the selection in each university due to this measure.

Therefore, we request each university to choose 6 students and grade them by score. Then we will tell them a selection result which involves the priority's effect.

Program Schedule

Date	Place	Morning	After noon
12 th , Mar.			Arriving
13 th , Mar.	Tokyo Tech	Opening Ceremony, Pre-study Presentation	Welcome Party, Special Lecture, Discussion
14 th , Mar.		Company Visiting	
15 th , Mar.		Company and Museum Visiting	
16 th , Mar.	Tokyo Tech	Campus Tour	Lab Visiting, Exchange Party
17 th , Mar.	Tokyo Tech	Group Discussion	Group Discussion, Mid-term Presentation
18 th , Mar.	Tokyo Tech	Sightseeing	
19 th , Mar.	Tokyo Tech	Group Discussion	Final Presentation, Closing Ceremony, Farewell Party
20 th , Mar.		Leaving	

*Visiting companies (under negotiations): Kyosan Electric Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd.

Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

Expense per Person

Contents	Detail	Yen	Baht	Rupiah
Participation Fee	-Hotel for 8nights -breakfast at the hotel -Lunch except 14, 15 and18 -Welcome and Exchange Party -Transportation fee for program	¥55,000	฿ 21,912	Rp5,500,000
Flight	Round Trip	¥50,000	฿ 19,920	Rp5,000,000
Meal	-Dinner except 12 and 16 -Lunch on Mar 14, 15 and 18	¥7,500	฿ 2,988	Rp750,000
Insurance	-Travel insurance	¥8,000	฿ 3,187	Rp800,000
Sightseeing	-Transportation fee -Admission fee	¥10,000	฿ 3,984	Rp1,000,000
Amount		¥130,500	฿ 51,992	Rp13,050,000

*Flight, Meal, Insurance and Sightseeing fee are different by each person. .

*All figures are converted: 1 JPY = 0.398406 THB, 100 IDR

Application Process

1. Download the application form from SAGE website (in English)
2. Submit the application form to SAGE by e-mail
3. Have screening by each home university

How to Select the Participants

Selection Flow

Term/Date	Contents	Detail
From Dec. 2011	Announcement	Each university starts announcement and recruits participants of ASCENT2012. At the same time, SAGE also make announcement by website or human network to spread the information.
	Application	Each student sends application form to SAGE by e-mail.
15 th , Jan.	Application Deadline	We close the application, and send all applicants data to each university.
	Selection	Each university selects the participants and contact to all applicants and do selection interview. Choose 6 persons and rank them according to the criteria of ASCENT 2012. (See <u>*Special Measure</u> on page 3.)
By 29 th , Jan.	Results	Each university sends the results of the selection to SAGE.
1 st , Feb.	Notification to all applicants	SAGE sends a notification of the results to all applicants and cc it to each university.

Criteria for selection

Participants of ASCENT2012 shall be students;

- who speak English actively,
- who communicate with other Asian students positively,
- who are interested in Japan and Asia,
- who are eager to improve their way of thinking,
- who want to learn and improve their technology knowledge and
- who desire to contribute to the development of their country and Asia.

[Example questions for the selection]

- Why do you want to participate in this program?
- Please introduce your university in English.
- What are you interested in about Japan?

- What particular topic(s) on Life system technology do you want to study?
- What kind of person do you want to be?
- What do you think about the condition of life system technology in Asia?