



**Toyo University**  
Tokyo, Japan



**Full scholarship opportunities for  
undergraduate students**

# **Toyo University** **SDGs Ambassador** **Scholarship** **for International Students**

**Guide for 2025  
(Spring & Fall)**



**Scholarship includes**

**Up to 100% tuition waiver  
&  
Free housing until  
graduation**



## About Toyo University



Toyo university is a private comprehensive university. Our main campus is located in central Tokyo. Toyo was founded in 1887 and now has 48 departments across 4 campuses. More than 31,000 students study at Toyo, including 1,800 international students.



Founded in 1887



31,000+ students



14 faculties  
48 departments



328 partner  
institutions



1,800+  
international students



98.0%  
employment rate



# Toyo University's Charter of Conduct for the SDGs



Toyo University established the Charter of Conduct to demonstrate our commitment to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations. The Charter outlines five pillars of action we will enact to help the world achieve the SDGs: 1) develop future leaders; 2) conduct research activities whose benefits can be enjoyed by society; 3) connect people and countries and share knowledge and experience; 4) engage in measures that reduce environmental impacts; and 5) contribute to the creation of a more inclusive and multicultural society that values diversity.

## Who are the SDGs Ambassadors?

SDGs Ambassadors are students at Toyo University who engage in activities that help Toyo and the world achieve the SDGs. There are thousands of ways to work as an SDGs Ambassador, including organizing learning events, coordinating volunteer activities, and hosting study groups in dormitories. Because SDGs Ambassadors fulfill so many roles, they are expected to demonstrate not only academic excellence, but also social, communication, coordination, and leadership skills.

## Desired Qualities for the SDGs Ambassadors

Merely excelling academically is not sufficient for one to be an SDGs Ambassador. Toyo University is looking for students with passion and motivation, who can be future leaders and contribute to a more sustainable future. Here are some of the qualities that SDGs Ambassadors are expected to possess:

- Passion to help the Toyo community achieve the SDGs;
- Motivation to be engaged in SDGs-related activities outside the classroom;
- Leadership skills to get other students, faculty, and staff involved in those activities;
- Coordination and teamwork skills to organize study groups, events, and other activities that help the Toyo community raise awareness about the SDGs;
- Willingness to deepen understanding about the various challenges that the world faces and find solutions to them.



## What is offered

Awarded students will:

- Receive **100% tuition waiver** in the first year and **60-100% tuition waivers** from the second through fourth years;
- Stay in Toyo's **international dormitory** with the dormitory fees covered by the University;
- Partner with **a faculty advisor and student mentor** for planning, organizing, and conducting SDGs-related events and activities.

## Tuition Waiver

First-year tuition and other fees will be waived for SDGs Ambassadors. From the second through fourth years, the tuition waiver percentage will vary from 60-100% depending on the Ambassador's GPA (4.3 being the highest) and the number of credits earned:

100% waiver - GPA 3.8 or above

90% waiver - GPA 3.1 - 3.79

80% waiver - GPA 2.9 - 3.09

60% waiver - GPA 2.89 or below



## Free Accommodation for the SDGs Ambassador Scholarship Recipients

**Scholarship recipients are eligible to stay in Toyo University's international dormitories. Dormitory fees will be covered by the University.**



First two years - Recipients are required to stay in the AI-House HUB-4 dormitory (pictured above)

Last two years - Recipients are eligible to stay in the International House dormitory

Scholarship recipients may stay in any accommodation for their last two years. However, the housing fee will not be covered by Toyo if they choose to stay in a non-Toyo accommodation.

## Annual Report and Renewal

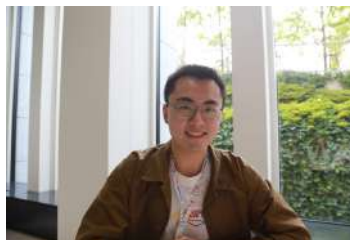
SDGs Ambassadors are required to make an annual report and present it to the SDGs Ambassador Committee. The report will be the basis to determine whether they will continue to be awarded as an SDGs Ambassador or not.

## SDGs Ambassador's Voice



**Zhou Linfei** (from China)

Department of Global Innovation Studies



### Q.1 What motivated your interest in the SDGs?

I first learned about the SDGs from TV news programs when I was in elementary school. In my part-time jobs after high school, I began to think about workers' rights and fair compensation, and I became particularly interested in the working environment faced by youth.

### Q.2 How is your student life at Toyo University?

I'm very much enjoying my student life. In particular, my professor who teaches one of the classes I'm taking is very interesting and I'm learning many things. I also really like the cafeteria, where you can get a meal for 550 yen. I'm currently staying at AI-House, where we have a lot of fun with students from many countries. I also play soccer every week with Japanese students.

## Available Programs

### English track:

Global Innovation Studies (GINOS)  
Regional Development Studies (RDS)



### Japanese track:

International Culture & Communication Studies  
International Economics  
Regional Development Studies (RDS)  
Information Networking for Innovation and Design (INIAD)  
Human Care & Support  
Healthcare and Sports Sciences  
Mechanical Engineering  
Information Sciences and Arts  
Life Sciences  
Biological Resources  
Food & Life Sciences  
Data Science for Food Systems

## Eligibility for Application

1. Those who have completed (or are expected to complete) a 12-year education
2. Those who satisfy the other eligibility requirements for admissions (see the Application Guide for details)
3. Those who are willing to be a leader in the Toyo community and actively engage in various activities that help achieve the SDGs
4. Those who meet the language requirements listed below

## Language Requirements

**English track:** IELTS 6.5, TOEFL iBT 94, TOEIC L&R 780 AND S&W 310

**Japanese track:** Both English and Japanese language scores required

IELTS 6.0, TOEFL iBT 79, TOEIC L&R 780 AND

Japanese language test score required by the program

(Typically JLPT N1 or N2. Refer to the Application Guide for details)

## SDGs Ambassador's Voice



**Yim Hyunsun** (from South Korea)

Department of Information Sciences and Arts

### Q.1 What motivated your interest in the SDGs?

I learned about the SDGs in a Korean class in my first year of high school. I have always been interested in social issues, and I also collected donations for people suffering from poverty in Africa. When I saw the call for Toyo University's SDGs Ambassador Program, I was certain that I wanted to apply for it.

### Q.2 How is your student life at Toyo University?

Students at Toyo University enjoy a very enriched lifestyle. I have been able to make friends with Japanese and international students both at Kawagoe campus and in the dormitory. I also joined Gakuvolu, a student group that engages in volunteer activities, and Vegepro Toyo, a student group that is working to add vegan meals to the cafeteria. I hope to collaborate on activities with Japanese SDGs Ambassadors.

## How to Apply

1. Access and read the Application Guide carefully and prepare your admissions documents.
2. Create an **Action Plan** for SDGs Ambassador activities. This is an additional document that is required when applying for the SDGs Ambassador Program. In your Action Plan, you should describe what kinds of SDGs-related activities you would like to engage in and what contributions you can make in your four years at Toyo.
3. Submit your admissions documents and SDGs Action Plan online during the application period. The Screening Committee will review your documents. You may be invited to an online interview upon the Committee's request.
4. Check the final results when they are announced.

## Admissions Schedule

Toyo University accepts new students in April (spring admissions) and September (fall admissions), and there is a fixed application period for each round of admissions. For spring admissions, students can apply for all programs listed on the previous page. Students who wish to apply for a Japanese-track program are recommended to apply for spring admissions. Fall admissions is available only for the Department of Global Innovation Studies (English track) and the Department of Information Networking for Innovation and Design (Japanese track).



Admissions website

Programs	Application period	Interview dates	Enrollment
All Programs (ENG & JPN tracks)	September 24-27, 2024	November 23 or 24, 2024	April 2025
GINOS (ENG-track) INIAD (JPN-track)	February 7-16, 2025	April 12 or 14, 2025	September 2025

## SDGs Ambassador's Voice



### Q.1 What motivated your interest in the SDGs?

I first learned about the SDGs through the French educational system. Our world is very unequal, and certain countries suffer from hardships like water and food shortages more than others. People's lives are also threatened by environmental problems unfairly. I hope to raise awareness of these issues through my actions at Toyo University.

### Q.2 What strengths do you want to develop during your studies?

I want to be a leader who can be a light for other students. I am particularly interested in the topics of health, gender equality, cultural exchange, and information. Under the guidance of my advising professor, I am working on activities that utilize social media. In the future, I would like to work in Japan and make use of the three languages that I speak as much as possible.



**Mathias Vlaemyneck** (from France)  
Department of Global Innovation Studies

## SDGs Action Plan

Students who would like to apply for the SDGs Ambassador Scholarship must submit an SDGs Action Plan. Students' Action Plan should describe what they would like to do as SDGs Ambassadors and what goals they aim to achieve in their four years of study. It is important to note that the SDGs Action Plan is different from study plans. Action Plans, for example, may include the following information:

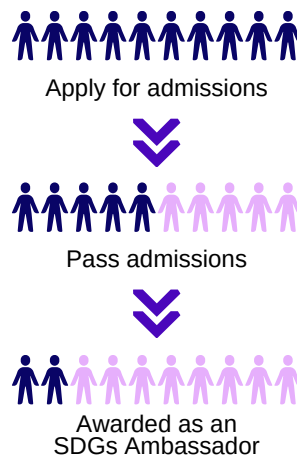
- Clarification on which of the 17 SDGs the applicant is interested in and will focus on;
- The personal experiences that explain how the applicant became interested in those goals;
- How the applicant would like to deepen their understanding of the SDGs through their course work and extracurricular activities;
- Ideas for events, group activities, or learning opportunities they think would help achieve their goals;
- The contributions the applicant thinks they can make to the Toyo community with regard to the SDGs.

## Screening of the SDGs Ambassadors

**There are separate screenings for admissions and the SDGs Ambassador Scholarship.**

The screening process for admissions includes document screening and an online interview. There are no written exams, and applicants do not need to come to Japan. After documents are screened, applicants will be invited to an online interview if the Screening Committee acknowledges the necessity for an interview.

SDGs Ambassadors will be selected from those who have been admitted to Toyo University. The screening for SDGs Ambassadors will be based on the SDGs Action Plan submitted during the application process. There are no additional interviews or written exams for the selection of the SDGs Ambassadors. It is possible to be admitted to Toyo but not receive the Scholarship.



## Enrollment procedures and Visa Application

Once they are admitted, students will be requested to complete the enrollment procedures. Students who are selected for the SDGs Ambassador Scholarship will be asked to pay 30% of the first-year tuition during the enrollment procedures. This 30% will be reimbursed at the end of the first academic year.

Toyo University's visa support office will support the visa application of successful applicants.



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Toyo University website



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