Tohoku Forum for Creativity

The Tohoku Forum for Creativity is an international visitor research center established in 2013 to facilitate collaborative research. The Forum contributes to solving common global issues and to supporting the creation of pioneering research areas. Focusing on specific themes, the Forum welcomes Nobel Prize-level researchers to lead Thematic Programs and provides a venue for researchers to work together.

Thematic Programs are selected from proposals submitted from across the world in a wide range of research areas, such as the social sciences, humanities, physical sciences, engineering, and life sciences. Top-tier researchers are invited to lead international symposia and workshops. Young researchers and students are encouraged to participate, thereby nurturing global creative talent. Aside from these Thematic Programs, the Tohoku Forum for Creativity also hosts Junior Research Programs, led primarily by young researchers, and Future Society Design Programs, aimed at creating social value through academia-industry collaboration.



TOKYO ELECTRON House of Creativity 1F, Lounge



TOKYO ELECTRON House of Creativity 3F, Lecture Theater

Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation/Support for Broadening Opportunities for Outstanding Young Researchers and Doctoral Students in Strategic Areas

Tohoku University has been selected by the JST's "Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation", and "Support for Broadening Opportunities for Outstanding Young Researchers and Doctoral Students in Strategic Areas", and provides support for doctoral students.

These projects are aimed at excellent PhD students with a strong desire to pursue studies/research in interdisciplinary, international, academic/industry collaborative areas, or research and development in emerging and converging areas within the field of next-generation Artificial Intelligence. It provides financial aid sufficient for living expenses, diverse training programs to increase their research abilities, and research grants. It also seeks to improve their research environment by offering an international showcase for their activities. Furthermore, it will accelerate career building with an eye toward expanding their range of activity after graduation. It will promote quantitative expansion and radical restructuring of PhD curricula, leading to enhanced research capacity for the university overall, and to foster more advanced research experts in the next-generation AI field.

Implementation year	Project Title	Maximum number of students to support
FY2021 - FY2026	Advanced Graduate School Pioneering Research Support Project for PhD Students	871
FY2024 - FY2028	Advanced Graduate School Next-Generation AI Expert Development Project	45