



(1) Aim

This program aims to nurture next-generation female researchers and to cultivate a sense of mission and responsibility among those involved in research by appointing female graduate school students as Science Angels to work with and help motivate students at primary schools, junior high schools and high schools.

(2) Program details

- At the request of their former schools or other schools in the community, Science Angels conduct seminars and other events at which they discuss their experiences to date and current research projects in order to communicate messages aimed at helping young people feel a more intimate connection with sciences.
- Participation in gender equality symposiums hosted by Tohoku University or other institutions in order to increase awareness of gender quality issues.
- In addition to the above, participation and presentations at events for female students and female researchers.
 - This program is managed by the Center for Gender Equality Promotion.
 - For activities of a work nature, remuneration will be paid commensurate with the activities performed.
 - The frequency of events ranges between once and three times per month. Participation is at the discretion of each individual.

For reference: See the following website for information on Science Angels activities.
http://www.tumug.tohoku.ac.jp/next_generation/sa/

(3) Eligibility to apply

Female graduates enrolled in the graduate schools

Until 2020 Academic Year, the program was open to students in the graduate schools of natural sciences, however from 2021 Academic Year, it is open to students in all graduate schools, including those in the humanities and social sciences.

(4) Proposed number of appointees

Approximately 50

(5) Estimated hourly rate

- 1,300 yen (students enrolled in a masters program or the second year of doctoral program or persons deemed to be of equivalent ability)
- 1,500 yen (students enrolled in a doctoral program or persons deemed to be of equivalent ability or higher)

(6) Application forms

- Attachment 5: Application to Participate in Tohoku University Science Angels Program: 2021 Academic Year
- Attachment 6: Resume

(7) Deadline for submission of applications

- When applying to remain in the program*: 2021
 - Administration Bureau deadline: Friday, March 5, 2021
 - Applicants will be notified of results in late March, with appointment to take effect from April 1, 2021.

* Persons appointed Science Angels in the 2020 academic year who wish to remain in the program in the 2021 academic year should submit their application forms by the deadline for persons wishing to remain in the program.
- When newly applying: 2021
 - Administration Bureau deadline: Monday, May 10, 2021
 - Applicants will be notified of results in late May, with appointment to take effect from June 1, 2021.

(8) Where to submit application

General affairs office in your department _____

- The general affairs officer will collect all applications for the department and submit them to the Center for Gender Equality Promotion by the above Administration Bureau deadline.

(9) Application screening

- Documents will be examined by the screening panel within the Committee for Gender Equality.
- During the screening process, you may be asked to prepare and submit additional documents or come for an interview.

(10) Please note the following

- Participants in this program are expected, in principle, to enter into an employment agreement with Tohoku University under which they will serve as Science Angels with the status of part-time employees.
- Those who hold a position of employment on or off campus that precludes the holding of other jobs can participate in this program as Science Angels Volunteers, provided that they request this option in their application. Please note that Science Angels Volunteers do not receive remuneration.
- Recipients of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Research Fellowship for Young Scientists (DC) are required to submit a copy of the JSPS notice of receipt of remuneration that was signed and stamped by their mentor.
- Those employed as an RA for a Tohoku University graduate degree program or receiving financial assistance (scholarships, education/research expense support, etc.) need to consult with the employer or assistance provider before applying.
- Applicants must attend an orientation session scheduled for Saturday, May 29, 2021.