Tamagawa University Office of Academic Affairs Curriculum and Instruction

Online IBEC (IB Educator Certificate) KAMOKUTOURISHUSEI (Credited course student) program in English

FAQ (SY2023)

- Q1. What kind of people take the program?
- \rightarrow Pre-service teachers and practicing from around the globe take the program.
- Q2. What level of English is required to take the program?
- →Please check the English level in the application qualifications. All classes are conducted in English.
- Q3. Can I apply even if I don't speak Japanese?
- $\rightarrow\,$ All classes are conducted in English, so no Japanese language proficiency is required.
- Q4. What should I include in the work history I submit with my application?
- → Your CV can be formatted freely, but should include the following information.
 Name Phone, Email, Education, Work Experience, Teaching Experience, References
- Q5. Can I consult with someone before applying for the program?
- \rightarrow Yes, please contact us by e-mail.

Q6. Is there an admission test?

 \rightarrow There is no entrance exam, however, we will conduct a screening process based on your documentation.

Q7. Do I need to go to school? Is there a residence requirement?

 \rightarrow No, it is 100% online program.

Q8. How can I get an IB teaching qualification?

 \rightarrow Upon completion of the program you will be instructed to apply for IB educator certificate from the IB. Please note that a master's degree cannot be obtained through this program. Nor can ateacher's license be obtained.

Q9. What is the time commitment?

 \rightarrow One credit is equivalent to 25 hours of instruction and 50 hours of independent work, which means that to earn 1 credit, students will need to at least devote 75 hours of work in and out of classes.

Q10.When are classes held?

 \rightarrow Synchronous sessions will be scheduled upon negotiation with the instructor considering cohort's ' time-zones.

Q11. What teaching materials are used in class?

 \rightarrow There is no textbook. Moodle will be used as the e-learning platform. All teaching material will be provided on or through Moodle.

Q12. Can I take a leave of absence?

 \rightarrow There is no leave of absence system.

Q13. Can I enroll in the program in the middle of a semester?

 \rightarrow No, you cannot. You can only apply in February for Spring semester and fall semester. This program will run for one year from April to February.

Q14. How do I pay fees?

 \rightarrow Bank transfer only. Credit card payment is not accepted.

Q15. Is it possible to pay the enrollment fee and tuition in installments?

 \rightarrow Enrollment fee and tuition cannot be paid in installments, so please prepare the prescribed amount in advance and pay it by the due date.

Q16. Is it possible to defer payment of the enrollment and credit program fees?

 \rightarrow Deferral payment is not acceptable. Please prepare the prescribed amount in advance and pay by the due date.

Q17. If a proxy pays, in whose name should the payment be made?

 \rightarrow Please make the payment under the name of the applicant.

Q18. Are there any additional fees besides the screening fee (25,000 yen), enrollment fee and tuition (390,000 yen)?

 \rightarrow After completing the program, each student will apply to the IB for the IB educator certificate, the IB charges 275USD for the certificate

Q19. Is there a scholarship program?

 \rightarrow No scholarship program is available.

Q20. Can I purchase a school commuter pass?

 \rightarrow You can't. It is not possible to obtain a "School Commuter Certificate" or "School Student Passenger Fare Discount Certificate (Gakuwari Certificate)".

Q21. Can I take courses while enrolled in another graduate school at Tamagawa Unviersity?

 \rightarrow If approved by your graduate school, it is possible.