

Guidelines for the ALPS Overseas Dispatch and Other Activities
for the Academic Year 2021

1. Objective

The Advanced Leading Graduate Course for Photon Science (ALPS) aims to foster young leaders with wide-ranging views uninhibited by existing research field boundaries who can gain trust and prominence in the international arena. To this end, each ALPS student is required to participate in one of three activities: an assignment at an overseas research institution, a corporate internship, and a joint research project at another domestic university or research institution. The following guidelines set the requirements for applying for one of these activities.

2. Applicants

ALPS students who will be in their first and second years of the Doctoral course at the time of the dispatch are eligible to apply for

- 1) Overseas dispatch
- 2) (Domestic) corporate internship
- 3) Joint research at another domestic university or research institution

Note that each student must participate in one of these three activities during their first or second year of the Doctoral course to complete the ALPS program. **All of these activities require prior application.**

[Note] A special measure has been introduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more details, please contact the ALPS Desk.

3. Period and activities

- 1) Overseas dispatch:
 - A. Mainly to participate in a joint research project at a foreign research institution (Approximately from two weeks to three months)
 - B. To visit several research labs (Approximately two weeks)

*Students may attend international conferences during their visit, but may not go on a short-term overseas dispatch solely to attend a conference (applicable to both A and B).
- 2) (Domestic) corporate internship: Approximately two weeks
- 3) Joint research at another domestic university or research institution: Approximately two weeks

4. Expenses to be covered

Comply with each department guidelines for travel expenses for the activities 3.1), 3.2) and 3.3).

5. Application procedure

Those wishing to be considered must fill out the application form and email the form and attached documents in a PDF format to the ALPS Desk. Refer to the sample application form.

6. Selection process

Selection will be made by the Photon Science Graduate Programs Committee.

7. Reports

Each student participated in any of the three activities is required to write **a report in A4 paper** (attachment of photos allowed) **in English and/or Japanese** (if possible) and submit them in PDF format to the ALPS Desk within a week of their return. **In addition, they are required to submit an article** (approx. 200 words or 400 Japanese characters) in PDF format to be posted on the ALPS website.

8. Application deadline

Round 1: Friday, February 26, 2021 at 17:00

Round 2: Monday, May 31, 2021 at 17:00

This deadline applies to applications for overseas dispatches, domestic internships, and joint research activities at domestic institutions starting in

Round 1: April through June 2021

Round 2: July through September 2021

9. Application documents to be submitted to:

ALPS Desk, the Graduate School Office of the Graduate School of Science

E-mail: alps.s@gs.mail.u-tokyo.ac.jp

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