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Libraries

The Central Library and four special libraries are available to anyone regardless of affiliation. They are places for cross-disciplinary communication.



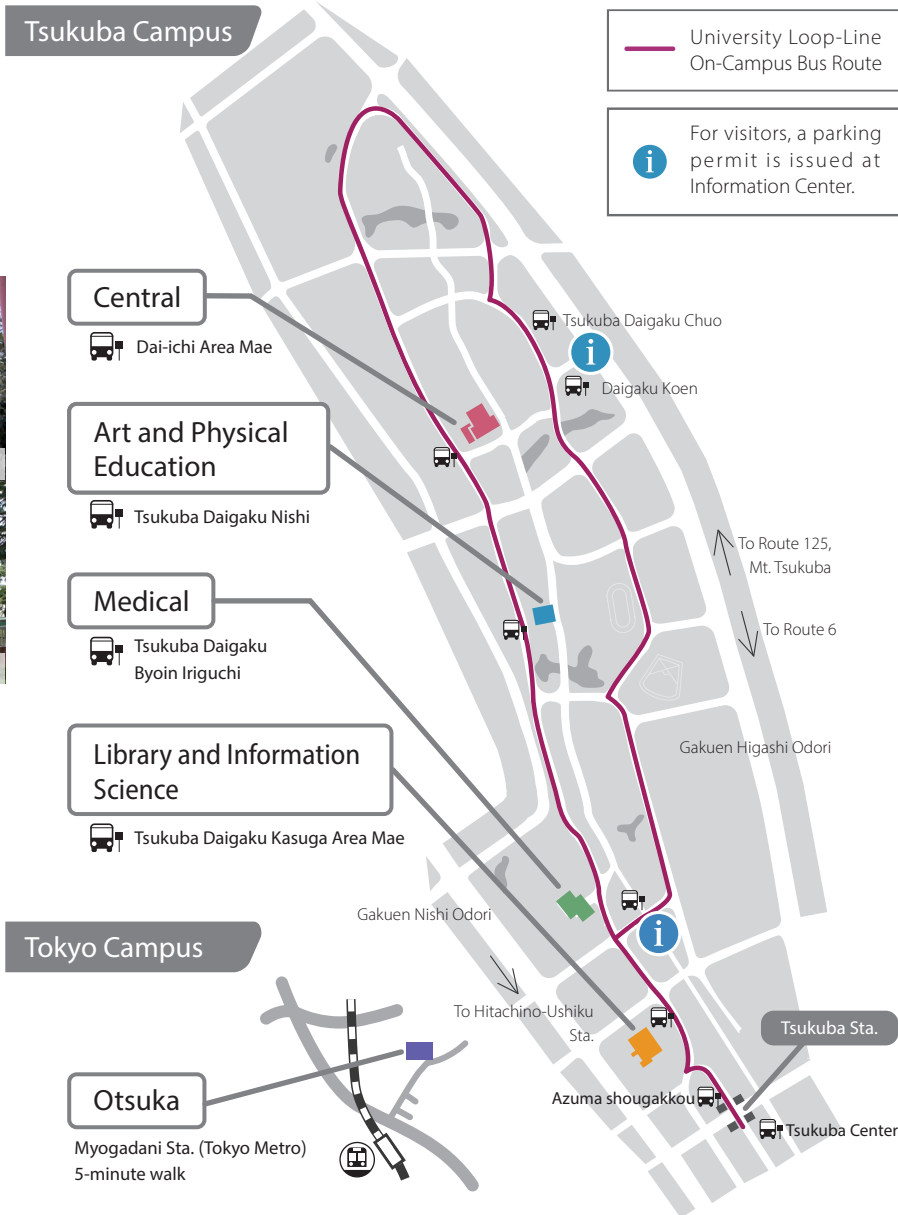
Art and Physical Education

Medical

Library and Information Science

Otsuka

## Location of Libraries



# University of Tsukuba Library OUTLINE

**0.65** million visitors per year  
(approx. **1,900** per day)



**3** million copies of books  
**30** thousand titles of journals



**40** thousand titles of e-journals  
**40** thousand titles of e-books



More than **70**  
orientations & seminars  
held in a year



※results in FY2023 or as of the end of FY2023

**Library Mascots**  
Tulip-san  
Gamajumper



Library Hours					
Tsukuba		Regular	Recess		
Central	Mon - Fri	8:30 ~ 22:00	9:00 ~ 20:00		
	Sat, Sun & Holidays	9:00 ~ 20:00	9:00 ~ 18:00		
Art and Physical Education Library & Information Science	Mon - Fri	8:30 ~ 22:00	9:00 ~ 17:00		
	Sat, Sun & Holidays	10:00 ~ 18:00	Closed		
Medical	Mon - Fri	8:30 ~ 22:00	9:00 ~ 20:00 ※		
	Sat, Sun & Holidays	9:00 ~ 22:00			
※ Hours are the same as the regular hours in February and September. (Medical)					
Tokyo	Mon	Tue - Fri	Sat	Sun	Holidays
Otsuka	10:30~18:30	10:00~21:10	10:00~19:50	10:00~18:00	Closed

Temporary closures and changes in opening hours are notified on the library website.

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Since the establishment in 1973, the University of Tsukuba aims to be an open university and has always been seeking a new university system. We are a frontrunner toward the future, under the slogan of **IMAGINE THE FUTURE**.

The University of Tsukuba Library focus on the following 4 points in order to support accomplishment of the university's mission.

## Education & Learning Support

We provide comfortable facilities, equipment and services, which help the students learn spontaneously and obtain broad knowledge.



The library encourages students' autonomous learning and intellectual interactions by providing learning environments which are suitable for different styles (such as individual study, group learning, presentations and exhibitions of study outcomes) and holding various workshops and seminars.



## Building Comprehensive Collection

We appropriately select and provide academic information and educational materials which are necessary for the university members.



Most of the books and journals can be freely taken in your hand. We also determine a collection development policy of e-journals, e-books and databases. The library supports the university's educational and research activities as an infrastructure, offering a huge amount of materials and the latest academic information.



### Major Collections

- A. Kyoiku Nishiki-e issued by Ministry of Education:** 95 sheets of colored woodblock prints published to help educate small children at home.
  - B. A leaf from the Gutenberg Bible:** (ca. 1455) From the Book of Ezekiel of the Gutenberg Bible, the world's first book printed with letterpress printing.
  - C. Tokyo Olympic collection:** (assembled by the former Dept. of Physical Education, Tokyo Univ. of Education) A collection commemorating 1964 Tokyo Olympics.
- Other Collections:** The Max Besson Library of "Japonica" Collection, Shoheiko Archives, Folding Screens painted by Tan'yu Kano and Naobobu Kano, etc.

## Research Support Dissemination of Outcomes

We, as an information hub, provide the best environment for researchers to access the resources, and accumulate and disseminate the intellectual works of the university.

Three Nobel Prize laureates have been associated with the University of Tsukuba. Besides, the university has actively expanded cross-disciplinary research fields, such as 'Cybernetics': the fusion of science and technology and medicine, with which HAL® (Hybrid Assistive Limb) has been created. The library contributes to those interdisciplinary research activities with its vast collection.

**Tsukuba Repository (Tulips-R)** <https://tsukuba.repo.nii.ac.jp>  
A database which accumulates and preserves the outputs by the researchers of the university (papers, dissertations, research reports, teaching materials, etc.) and provides open access to the people all over the world.



Nobel Prize laureates from the University of Tsukuba

Dr. Sin-Itiro Tomonaga  
Former President  
(Tokyo Univ. of Education)  
1965 Physics

Dr. Leo Esaki  
Former President  
1973 Physics

Dr. Hideki Shirakawa  
Professor Emeritus  
2000 Chemistry



## The Library Open to Public Lifelong Learning Support

We contribute to the local community by providing access to our collection and opportunities for lifelong learning.



The library offers on-site services and book lending service for visitors. We also receive many guests from Japan and abroad. We hold not only permanent exhibitions but also special exhibitions displaying rare and valuable books every year.

### Library Volunteer

As part of lifelong learning, citizen volunteers offer their knowledge and skills in general information service, reading service for eye-handicapped, guidance in foreign languages, and so on.

