The University of Tokyo (Todai in Japanese) will open a summer program in August 2013. During the two-week TODAI Innovation Summer Program, the students, both from outside Japan and the University of Tokyo, will attend classes, workshops and field research in Tokyo and the Tohoku region designed to hone their skills to innovate and solve social problems. The entire program is built upon themes which are uniquely Japanese, such as Japan’s vibrant pop culture and recovery efforts in the disaster-struck areas in the north-east of the country.

We are now accepting applications from international students. The application deadline is April 15 2013.
http://ischool.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/summer/

Duration: August 1-13, 2013
# of participants: 30 international students and 30 Todai students

Eligibility:
Currently enrolled in a university (college, master program and PhD program), including those who will graduate in June 2013.

Sites:
August 1 – 9, University of Tokyo’s Hongo campus
August 10-13: Otsuchi-cho, Iwate prefecture, Tohoku region (Arrive in Tokyo early morning of August 14)

Fees:
Participants are asked to pay air fares, daily meals and other various small expenses on their own. All other costs (tuition fees, accommodation fees, group meals and travelling expenses for the visit to Otsuchi-cho) are covered by the program:

Program Architecture:
The program in Tokyo offers two courses in parallel, i.school workshops and case-method classes, and each course consists of three modules. Participants can register for both courses by module, but if they choose, they can register for one course only. After completing the programs in Tokyo, all participants will go on a field trip to Otsuchi-cho, Iwate prefecture.

Organizers:
Center for Knowledge Structuring, the University of Tokyo
UT-IRIS (University of Tokyo, International Relations Institution of Students)

Application:
Please fill out and submit an electric application form in the following link by April 15 2013.
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[Note] April 15 is the deadline for students affiliated to universities other than the University of Tokyo. The deadline for applications from the University of Tokyo students will be announced later.

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