# TOMODACHI-STEM

Women's Leadership and Research Program

TOMODACHI-STEM Women's Leadership and Research Programは、日本の大学で理工系を専攻す る女性の大学生10名を対象とした5週間の研究インターンシッププログラムです。ペンシルバニア州 のリーハイ大学とテキサス州のライス大学にて行われ、大学の研究室に属して最先端の研究活動に触 れると同時にアメリカの高等教育システムを体験し、米国人学生との交流活動を通して言語や文化を 学ぶ機会を提供します。このプログラムは、国際共同研究を通じて、理工学研究に興味を持つ日本人女子学生 にアメリカとの連携のきっかけを提供することを目的としています。

TOMODACHI-STEM Women's Leadership and Research Program is a leadership and research program for women that combines real-world experience in science and engineering research with an introduction to U.S. higher education and opportunities for career exploration, English language enrichment, cultural engagement and collaboration with U.S. students.

Hosted by Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and Rice University in Houston, Texas - two of the top research universities in the U.S. - the program includes a three-week virtual experience and a five-week research internship. It is limited to just 10 participants, allowing for a personalized experience.

Visit go.lehigh.edu/tomodachistem to learn more and apply.

## 2022-2023 Program

September 6-19, 2022 Virtual	Orientation and program foundation Learn about career development, research investigation, team building and cultural exchange. Fluency and confidence- building in English communication and oral presentations in intercultural contexts
February 13-March 13, 2023	Research experience
Lehigh University or	Join a U.S. research laboratory and gain hands-on experience
Rice University	guided by a graduate student and professor
March 14-17, 2023	Full cohort experience
Houston, Texas	Meet full cohort and tour NASA and Dow Chemical

## **Research Opportunities**

Each participant is matched with a research experience that aligns with her academic interests. Host labs are in Lehigh's P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science and College of Arts and Sciences and Rice's George R. Brown School of Engineering and Wiess School of Natural Sciences. Possible areas of study include:

- astrophysics and astronomy
- biology and behavioral neuroscience
- chemical and biomolecular engineering
- chemistry

- electrical and computer engineering
- materials science and nanoengineering
- mathematics and statistics
- physics









### PROGRAM COSTS

There is no fee for TOMODACHI-STEM. It includes:

- travel from Tokyo to the U.S.
- double occupancy accommodations
- international health insurance
- SEVIS and visa fees

Program participants are responsible for additional expenses, including:

- travel to and from Tokyo
- passport
- sight-seeing and personal expenses

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The program is open to applicants who are:

- female degree-seeking undergraduate students majoring in science or engineering
- 18 years old or older
- Japanese citizens or permanent residents
- sufficiently fluent in English to successfully conduct research in a U.S. university lab

#### HOW TO APPLY

The deadline is August 1, 2022. To apply, visit: go.lehigh.edu/tomodachistem