

The Ren Lab at Kochi University of Technology are looking for PhD students

The project is eligible for Kochi University of Technology PhD Special Scholarship Program (SSP). The scholarship covers tuition fees and a stipend of 1,200,000 JP Yen per annum for three years.

The deadline is March 18, 2013 for October 2013 Enrollment or April 2014 Enrollment.

To apply and for further information on the Special Scholarship Program (SSP), please find at here: http://www.kochi-tech.ac.jp/kut_E/graduate/admission.html

This project aims to carry out Development and Generation of Next Generation User Interfaces in topics including user interface design, natural user interface, mobile user interface, game user interface, gesture/touch (pen and/or finger) input, and the modeling of human performance, with consideration not only to normal people but also age and disability issues.

The applicant must have a master degree in computer science or a related subject, an outstanding track record in computer science, information Technology and/or HCI. The applicant should demonstrate outstanding academic performance (e.g. good programming skills, strong knowledge of math and statistics, interaction technologies e.g. Microsoft Kinect, eye tracking system, smartphones, etc.), research ability, communication and interpersonal skills, and demonstrated ability to work as part of a team as well as independently in the lab. The applicant must have strong ability in the English language (Japanese is a plus, but not essential).

The successful SSP (Special Scholarship Program) students will have opportunities to be involved in collaborative research projects, e.g. with Microsoft Research, Google Research, and other institutions or oversea universities. All SSP students who want to obtain Ph.D. degrees must pass a preliminary examination (at the end of the second academic year) and a final doctoral examination in a public hearing (at the end of the third academic year). To pass these examinations, SSP students must publish excellent research papers in top-tier class international conferences and/or international journals/transactions in the field of HCI.

The Ren Lab can be found at xrenlab.com

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