

5 Japan Outreach Initiative (JOI)

Section in Charge: **Center for Global Partnership**

This program is designed to dispatch Japanese individuals in the Southern and Midwestern regions of the U.S. for two years as outreach coordinators. Coordinators provide information about Japanese culture, society, everyday life, and language in local community settings and organize activities that foster interactions between the United States and Japan.

Example of Activities

- (1) Conducting presentations and activities on Japanese culture and society for schools, colleges, and the community.
- (2) Organizing or coordinating festivals based on a Japanese holiday, event, or custom.
- (3) Organizing or coordinating lectures or discussions on traditional and/or current Japanese culture and society.
- (4) Facilitating and developing exchange activities between the local community and Japan.

Eligibility

Eligible individuals must meet all the following criteria:

- (1) Japanese national;
- (2) Have a four-year college degree or higher;
- (3) Have a valid driver's license;
- (4) Have an excellent command of English to conduct activities;
- (5) Have basic computer skills (Word, Excel, etc.);
- (6) Physically and mentally healthy as well as be able to live and work in the U.S. throughout the two-year term;
- (7) Have an interest and motivation to actively participate in international cultural exchanges;
- (8) Attend the selection interview and orientation in Japan.

Duration

2 years (August 2018 to July 2020)

Benefits

A US\$1,280 monthly stipend, round-trip air tickets, housing, etc., are provided.

Number of Coordinators (Reference)

6 for FY 2017

Application Deadline

January 9, 2018

Notification of Results

Late March 2018

Remarks

This program is administered jointly by CGP and Laurasian Institution. All applications and inquiries should be directed to Laurasian Institution.

For further details, please contact: Laurasian Institution (Tokyo Office)

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6 Abe Fellowship Program

Section in Charge: **Center for Global Partnership**

This program provides Japanese and American scholars and journalists with opportunities to conduct policy-relevant research to encourage international multidisciplinary research on topics of pressing global concern.

Eligibility

Applicants must fulfill the following criteria.

[Abe Fellowship]

- (1) Citizens of the U.S. and Japan as well as nationals of other countries who can demonstrate strong and serious long-term affiliations with research communities in the U.S. or Japan.
- (2) Applicants must hold a Ph.D. or the terminal degree in their field, or have attained an equivalent level of professional experience.

[Abe Fellowship for Journalists]

- (1) Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Japan.
- (2) Applicants must have at least five years of professional journalistic experience in newspapers, news magazines, wire services, and on-

line news organizations. Freelancers are also eligible.

Duration

[Abe Fellowship]

Three to twelve months. Fellowship tenure must begin between April 1 and December 31, 2018. Fellowship tenure need not be continuous, but must conclude within 24 months of initial activation of the Fellowship.

[Abe Fellowship for Journalists]

Six weeks. Fellowship tenure must begin between April 1 and December 31, 2018.

Benefits

[Abe Fellowship]

Research stipend and other allowances

Travel costs (international airfares and other transportation expenses)

Salary Replacement

[Abe Fellowship for Journalists]

Research stipend and other allowances

Travel costs (international airfares and other transportation expenses)

Number of Fellowships (Reference)

10 Abe Fellows and 4 Journalist Fellows for FY 2017

Selection Policy

Applications should be focused on policy-relevant and contemporary issues with a comparative or transnational perspective.

Application Deadline

[Abe Fellowship] September 1, 2017

[Abe Fellowship for Journalists] September 15, 2017

Notification of Results

Late March 2018

Remarks

This program is administered jointly by CGP and Social Science Research Council. All applications and inquiries should be directed to Social Science Research Council.

For further details, please contact: Social Science Research Council (in U.S.)

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7 CGP Grant Program

Section in Charge: **Center for Global Partnership**

This program supports a wide range of policy-oriented projects, which explore contemporary issues of global concern and issues common to the U.S. and Japan, jointly conducted by U.S. and Japanese institutions and supports projects aimed to promote the understanding of Japan at the local level, and to foster networks and capacity building to support U.S. - Japan exchange and outreach.

[A. Intellectual Exchange: Policy-Oriented Projects]

Eligibility

U.S. and Japanese institutions including universities, think tanks, and non-profit organizations

Eligible Projects

Projects should have a foundation in fostering dialogue and promoting partnerships between U.S. and Japan through the exploration of policy-oriented issues such as personal, societal, and international security, global and regional economic issues and societal trends and concerns.

[B. Grassroots Program: Education and Network-Strengthening]

Eligibility

Non-profit organizations in U.S. including universities, museums, Japanese gardens as well as outreach and community organizations with a Japan-related focus

Eligible Projects

Projects must fall into any of the following categories:

- (1) Establish networks in the field of U.S.-Japan exchange and outreach
- (2) Promote the capacity building and the program development