

Japanese Studies Overseas and Intellectual Exchange

Benefits Round-trip discount economy-class airfare (most direct and economical ticket)
Maintenance Allowance and other allowances
Insurance

Number of Fellowships
Approximately 200 (226 out of 521 applications for FY 2011)

Screening Guidelines (common to all subcategories)

- (1) Applicants who have received Japan Foundation fellowships more than twice in the past will be given a lower priority.
- (2) Applications from mid-career/younger researchers are especially welcome.
- (3) In selecting applications, some consideration will be given to regional/country/institutional balance.

Application Deadline December 1, 2011
(Applicants who hold U.S. citizenship or permanent residency: November 1, 2011)

Notification of Result Late April 2012

2 Intellectual Exchange

Application Form: **RIE-RC**

Grant Program for Intellectual Exchange Conferences

Section in Charge: Japanese Studies and Intellectual Exchange Department

Purpose of Program

The purpose of this program is to deepen mutual understanding and to establish closer relations between Japan and other countries while promoting intellectual exchange worldwide.

Contents of Program

This program provides grants to partially cover the expenses of implementing such projects as international conferences, symposia, seminars, workshops, etc., that contribute to intellectual collaboration worldwide.

Eligibility

Non-profit organizations (e.g., universities, research institutes, NGO/NPOs) are eligible to apply. Only non-profit organizations in Japan can apply for "Grant for Human Resources Development for Implementing International Exchange." Applications from individuals will not be accepted.

2-(1) Intellectual Exchange Conferences

Eligibility of Projects

The Great East Japan Earthquake that shook Japan in March, 2011 has not only heightened global interest in disaster prevention, but also pressed the world into rethinking such fundamental values that had sustained the modernity as national growth, social progress, and personal prosperity. Collective quests for a new set of societal values are already evident in such areas as promotion of renewable energy sources and low-energy society, invigoration of social contribution through personal and corporate means, revitalization of community life in urban areas, and the global, inter-generational sharing of disaster experience.

With this as a background, this year's grant program has the following non-exclusive priority areas:

- i) Disaster-prevention and disaster-proof society
- ii) Environment, energy and culture
- iii) Social values of science and technology
- iv) Diversified society and public tolerance

v) Democracy and governance

vi) Peace-building and culture

In addition, special attention will also be given to proposals attempting to broaden and/or enrich the areas of Japanese studies through comparative and interdisciplinary approaches.

Duration Projects should be implemented and completed between April 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013.

Grant Coverage (1) Traveling expenses (international airfares, domestic transportation, board, lodging and per-diem allowance)
 (2) Honoraria (for paper presenters, lecturers, interpreters and assistants)
 (3) Other expenses (conference materials, publication of reports, venue and equipment rental, and public relations)

Number of Grants for Fiscal 2011-2012
 112 out of 153 applications

Screening Criteria

In the process of considering applications, projects will be evaluated highly if they aim to effectively and widely disseminate outcomes to the public and projects where Japan's own experience, expertise and human resources are expected to be fully capitalized. As a general rule, higher priority is given to applications which fulfill the following points. However, applications may be awarded grants even if they fulfill only some (but not all) of these points, depending on the quality of the application itself.

- (1) Multilateral projects: Projects that include participants from multiple countries.
- (2) Multi-sectoral projects: Projects that aim to include participants from a variety of sectors such as: academics, policy-makers, community or non-governmental organizations.
- (3) Interdisciplinary projects: Projects that aim to bridge disciplinary boundaries and thereby contribute to the expansion and development of an extensive intellectual network. In particular, projects which include participants of the next generation.

Application Deadline December 1, 2011

Notification of Result Late April 2012

2-(2) Grant for Human Resources Development for Implementing International Exchange

Eligibility of Projects

Projects initiated by citizens/youth, which promote mutual understanding between Japan and abroad through dialogues on common concerns or issues, and contribute to future human capital development for intellectual exchange. This grant can only be applied for by non-profit organizations in Japan.

Application Deadline, Notification of Result and Duration

1st deadline: December 1, 2011

Notification of Result: Early April 2012

Duration: Projects should be implemented and completed between April 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013.

2nd deadline: May 7, 2012

Notification of Result: Early July 2012

Duration: Projects should be implemented and completed between August 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013.

Grant Coverage Traveling expenses (international airfares/boat fares, domestic transportation, board, lodging and per-diem allowance)

Number of Grants for Fiscal 2011-2012
 37 out of 42 applications

