

#### Grant Coverage

The grant will be provided to cover a portion of the expense from a maximum of three categories chosen from below.

- (1) Traveling expense (international and long-distance domestic travel) and accommodation
- (2) Venue and equipment use
- (3) Translation, interpretation and honoraria for lecturers
- (4) Preparation of materials, reports, PR materials, etc.
- (5) Carriage (baggage/freight)

#### Number of Grantees (Reference)

21 out of 53 applications (for 1st round of FY 2018)

#### Selection Policy

- (1) See p. 3 for the selection policy common to all programs.
- (2) In addition to (1), applications will be screened according but not limited to the following points:
  - a. Clarity in objectives and goals of the project
  - b. Concrete methods and scheduling of human resources development, networking construction etc. that cross national boundaries
  - c. Wide dissemination of the project's achievements
  - d. Potential for the development into new projects
  - e. Pioneering elements in the project's themes and contents
  - f. Outcomes that have a lasting significance within the relevant field, rather than being a one-time event
  - g. Appropriate role and/or financial support by the collaborator(s) or cooperator(s)

#### Application Deadlines

[First round]: No later than December 3, 2018 for projects that start between April 1, 2019 and September 30, 2019.

[Second round]: No later than June 3, 2019 for projects that start between October 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020.

#### Notification of Results

[First round]: April 2019

For projects that are scheduled to start in April, please note that notification of results may be sent after the project has already started.

[Second round]: September 2019

## 4 The Asia Center Fellowship Program

Application Form: **AC-FS**  
Section in Charge: **Arts, Culture and Exchange Section II, Asia Center**

**This fellowship program is designed to encourage joint or cooperative projects that cross national cultural borders among individuals in a wide variety of fields. The fellowships will be offered to successful individuals who plan to pursue their research and activities outside their home countries and who seek to further develop their field(s).**

#### Eligibility

Applicants must be:

A resident of ASEAN countries or Japan, and hold a nationality, citizenship, or permanent residency of ASEAN countries or Japan.

#### Eligible Projects

##### (1) Eligible Fields

Projects in the fields such as arts and culture, academic and intellectual exchange, sports

\*For individuals who intend to visit Japan to conduct research on Japanese art, please see p. 13 for "Ishibashi Foundation / The Japan Foundation Fellowship for Research on Japanese Art".

##### (2) Eligible countries

ASEAN countries and Japan

- a. Projects can be conducted in two or more countries.
- b. Applicants outside Japan must include Japan as one of their activities sites.
- c. Note: Activities/Projects that take place where the applicant holds nationality, citizenship, or permanent residency, or where the applicant currently resides, or where s/he is based in, are NOT eligible.

##### (3) Fellowship Period

[First round]: Projects that start between June 1, 2019 and November 30, 2019

[Second round]: Projects that start between December 1, 2019 and May 31, 2020, and which are expected to be completed by September 30, 2020

#### Duration Categories

- (1) Short term: 21 days to 59 days
- (2) Long term: 60 days to 6 months

**Grant Coverage**

The following will be provided:

- (1) International airfare(s) (discount economy class)
- (2) Stipend

**Number of Fellows (Reference)**

9 out of 17 applications (for 1st round of FY 2018)

**Selection Policy**

- (1) See p. 3 for the selection policy shared by all programs.
- (2) The applicant's background will be taken into careful consideration during screening. Below are a few points which will be assessed.
  - Academic degree(s) (MA and above or equivalent) or research experience in relevant field
  - Publications
  - Past activities and achievements
- (3) Applications will be screened according but not limited to the following points:
  - Clarity in objectives, plans, and goals of the project
  - Concrete methods of collaborations that cross national boundaries
  - Necessity of on-site implementation according to the objectives and project plan
  - Reasonable choice of Host Institution(s)/Individual(s)
  - Realistic and effective Fellowship Period, scheduling and goal(s)
  - The proposed activity/project's relevancy to the applicant's previous achievements
  - Applicant's potential for future engagements, development, etc.
  - Achievement that extend beyond the applicant's and channel back into society at large
  - Contributions to the building of the bedrock or development of the relevant field

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[Second round] No later than June 3, 2019 for projects that start between December 1, 2019 and May 31, 2020.

**Notification of Results**

[First round] April 2019

[Second round] September 2019