Dispatch areas and Contents of Support

Dispatch areas and countries	10 ASEAN countries, China, and Taiwan
Dispatched Persons	Japanese language natives majoring in Japanese education at universities in Japan
Contents of Support	 Round-trip air ticket (discount economy-class fare, including airport fees, etc) housing allowance Travel accident insurance cost *The above-mentioned items will be paid according to the Japan Foundation's regulations. *In order to support more students, the Japan Foundation asks applicants (e.g. universities and participating students) to pay a certain amount of expenses in accordance with the Japanese language teaching practice period. *The Japan Foundation does not cover food expense in principle. *Students are not allowed to obtain any scholarship or grant provided by Japanese government and/or Japanese government affiliated institutions other than this program. *The grant coverage of the Japanese Foundation does not overlap with any part of the same project expense(s) that are covered by other funding sources.

Selection Policy

- (1) See p. 3 for the selection policy common to all programs;
- (2) Screening will be made in line with the following criteria:
 - a) Role and contents of Japanese language teacher training courses in the collaborating universities (Higher priority will be given to projects that allows student interns to obtain credits);
 - b) Training system for student interns in the collaborating universities;
 - c) Specific outcome expected;
 - d) Coalitions with host-institutions;
 - e) Proper budget plan, including share of expense by the applicant (the collaborating university and the interns);
 - f) Proper outline of the internship, including enough period of practice teaching;
 - g) Promotion and enhancement of cultural exchange between Japanese-language learners and interns;
 - h) Plan for introduction of Japanese culture during the internship; and
 - i) Safety and security in the area of the project.

Number of Support (Reference)

263 from 38 universities for FY 2018 (NIHONGO Partners in collaboration with Japanese Universities)

Application Deadline

December 3, 2018

Notification of Results

Late April, 2019

2 Grant Program for Enhancing People-to-People Exchange

Application Form: **AC-PP**

Section in Charge: Arts, Culture and Exchange Section II, Asia Center

This program is designed to expand the bases for exchange and to promote understanding and friendship among the people in Japan and other Asian countries, particularly ASEAN countries. Grants will be provided to successful exchange projects at grassroots and regional levels.

Eligibility

- (1) Applicants must:
 - a. Be organizations based in Japan.
 - b. Not be grantees of the first-round of applications (i.e. Grantees of the first-round cannot apply for the second round of the same fiscal year.)
 - *Grant programs are offered by the Japan Foundation's overseas offices in ASEAN countries. Please contact our offices in Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam for more information.

Eligible Projects

- (1) Project contents
 - a. Exchange projects at grassroots and regional levels which are to be implemented in ASEAN countries or in Japan.
 - b. Projects that involve two or more countries must involve ASEAN and Japan as its majority participants.

(2) Project duration

[First round]: Projects that take place between April 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020. [Second round]: Projects that take place between October 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020.

Grant Coverage

Portions of the following categories can be covered by the grant.

- (1) Travel expense (international and domestic travel)
- (2) Accommodation
- (3) Venue and equipment use

Number of Grants (Reference)

15 out of 41 applications (for 1st round of FY 2018)

Selection Policy

- (1) See p. 3 for the selection policy shared by all programs.
- (2) In addition to (1), applications will be screened according but not limited to the following points:
 - a. Concrete elements of collaboration that cross national boundaries
 - b. Potential for the development into new projects
 - c. Pioneering elements in the project's themes and contents
 - d. Expansion of grassroots and regional exchange
 - e. Contribution in further developing the bases for international cultural exchange by nurturing those who can lead such programs among Asian countries, and also building networks between Japan and ASEAN

Application Deadlines

[First round]: No later than December 3, 2018 for projects that take place between April 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020.

[Second round]: No later than June 3, 2019 for projects that take place 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 only be sent after the project has already started.

[Second round]: September 2019

3 Grant Program for Promotion of Cultural Collaboration

Application Form: **AC-CC**

Section in Charge: Arts, Culture and Exchange Section II, Asia Center

This program is designed to generate new cultures together within Asia. Grants are provided to successful collaborative projects conducted by organizations and professionals in Japan and ASEAN countries.

Eligibility

Applicants must be organizations based in ASEAN countries or Japan.

Eligible Projects

(1) Project contents

Applications of collaborative projects –the majority of which involve ASEAN and Japan participants– as well as projects that plan to disseminate their achievements are accepted. These projects must work on human resources development, network construction, strengthening of the bases of exchange, co-production and joint research initiatives, in the fields of culture and arts, sports, or intellectual exchange.

The projects must:

- a. Be a collaboration or mutual exchange between two or more countries.
- b. Involve at least one Japanese organization or individual.
- c. Generate a tangible and concrete output of its achievement.
- d. Have secured at least 30~% or more of the total project budget from organizations other than the Asia Center.
- (2) Project duration

[First round]: Projects that start between April 1, 2019 and September 30, 2019, and which are expected to be completed within 12 months.

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