

Remarks

- (1) This course is primarily a language course for participants requiring Japanese-language proficiency for specialized work and research activities. Professional education in their specific areas of expertise is not included in the curriculum.
- (2) Participants must attend all classes and activities in the curriculum.
- (3) Please be aware that this program may be cancelled, depending on the situation of COVID-19, even after the selection. The content of the program may be changed, or specialized activities may be restricted, due to the same reason, even if the course is duly implemented.

5 (1) NIHONGO Partners Program Section in Charge: International Operations Section I, NIHONGO Partners Program Department

This program dispatches NIHONGO Partners to secondary educational institutions etc. in Asia, mainly 10 ASEAN countries in order to support the local Japanese-language teachers and students. The NIHONGO Partners will support not only the educational activities of the local Japanese teachers but also aim to spread the charms of the Japanese language and cultures through their learning support and cultural activities inside and outside the classroom.

Through local activities and people-to-people exchanges, NIHONGO Partners themselves are also expected to deepen their understandings toward the language and cultures of the area or country where they stay, and serve as liaisons within Asian countries in the future.

Eligibility

Applicants must fulfill the following criteria.

- (1) Eager to understand the objectives of this program and aspire to serve as liaisons within Asian countries
 - (2) Able to adapt to the local standard of living (housing, life-style, etc.)
 - (3) Is between 20 and 69 years old, be of Japanese nationality, and be a Japanese native speaker
 - (4) Able to engage in everyday conversation in English
 - (5) Able to participate in all pre-departure training conducted by the Japan Foundation (approximately one month in duration)
 - (6) Able to cooperate with the Japan Foundation on disseminating information about activities and publicize this program using SNS, website, and other media tools
 - (7) Basic PC skills (sending and receiving e-mails, creating documents and/or materials etc.)
- * The above eligibility may differ according to the target area or country of dispatch.

Dispatch Areas

Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam

Duration

Approximately 3 months to 8 months

Coverage

Round-trip air ticket (discount economy class fares), travel expenses, living allowance, etc.

* Accommodation will be provided by the Japan Foundation.

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- (1) Further information will be announced on the website of this program (<https://asiawa.jpf.go.jp/en/partners/>).
- (2) Dispatch areas and duration are subject to change.

5 (2) NIHONGO Partners in Collaboration with Japanese Universities

Section in Charge: International Operations Section II, NIHONGO Partners Program Department Application Form: AC-IP

This program dispatches students as NIHONGO Partners in collaboration with Japanese universities to support local Japanese-language teachers and students at institutions of higher education in Asia, mainly in 10 ASEAN countries. Program participants will support not only the educational activities of the local Japanese-language teachers and students but also aim to deepen communications and understandings between locals and Japanese.

Eligibility

Japanese universities, graduate schools or junior colleges, which have Japanese-language teacher training courses (hereinafter called "collaborating universities")

Duration

More than 1 week (students must depart Japan on or after June 1, 2023 and must be back in Japan by March 20, 2024)

Methods of Implementation

The Japan Foundation and the collaborating universities agree and sign a memorandum of understanding on details such as the destination, time, duration, and the number of students.

Dispatch areas and Contents of Support

Dispatch areas and countries	10 ASEAN countries, China, and Taiwan
Dispatched Persons	Students whose native language is Japanese and who major in Japanese education at universities in Japan, or students who have high Japanese language skills equivalent to Japanese language native students
Contents of Support	<p>The Japan Foundation will pay below-mentioned cost items as co-sponsorship contributions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Round-trip air ticket (discount economy-class fare, including airport fees, etc.)• Housing allowance (for up to 180 days)• Travel accident insurance cost (for up to 180 days) <p>* The above-mentioned cost items will be paid according to the Japan Foundation's regulations. * 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 Japan Foundation does not overlap with any part of the same project expense(s) that are covered by other funding sources.</p>

Selection Policy

- (1) See p. 2 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 students to obtain credits);
 - b) Training system for students in the collaborating universities and the host-institutions;
 - c) Security management system for students in the collaborating universities and the host-institutions;
 - d) Specific outcome expected;
 - e) Coalitions between the collaborating universities and the host-institutions;
 - f) Proper budget plan, including share of expense by the applicant (the collaborating university and the students);
 - g) Outline of the program plan;

Number of Support (Reference)

261 students from 27 universities for FY 2022 (NIHONGO Partners in collaboration with Japanese universities)

Application Deadline

12 noon, December 2, 2022 (Japan Standard Time)

Notification of Results

Early April, 2023

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Please contact the section in charge for details on application submission.