2012 JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO) SCHOLARSHIP (RESEARCH STUDENT)

This scholarship is mainly for the person who studies to seek for a degree at Kanazawa University.

- 1 Qualifications
- 1) Nationality:

An applicant must have the nationality of a country which has diplomatic relations with the Japanese government and should come to Japan directly from abroad.

- 2) Age: Applicant must have been born on or after April 2, 1977.
- 3) Academic Background:

An applicant must satisfy one of the following requirements:

- ① must be university or college graduates. (Those who will graduate from a university or college by September, 2012 may apply.)
- 2 has academic ability equivalent to graduates of Japanese universities.

Please note that applicant's academic record for last two years will be calculated by the method which is designated by Monbukagakusho. If it doesn't meet the requirements, the applicant will be disqualified for application.

4) Study Area:

The study area must be in the same field as the applicant has studied or is now studying, or in a related one.

5) Health:

Applicant must be physically and mentally healthy enough to pursue study at university.

6) Language:

If an applicant with limited proficiency in Japanese desires to pursue fields of study such as Japanese linguistics, Japanese literature, Japanese history, or Japanese laws – fields that require sufficient knowledge of the Japanese language – he/she will not be selected as a grantee unless there is a very special situation.

7) Arrival in Japan:

An applicant must arrive in Japan between October 1 and October 2, 2012.

8) Academic advisor:

Applicant has to find a prospective academic advisor who will accept him/her among a professor or an associate professor from Kanazawa University, before applying for the scholarship. We advise an applicant to contact and consult with an academic advisor about the applicant's study program in Kanazawa University and get an acceptance letter written by the academic advisor. If they cannot find anyone, we cannot recommend the applicant to Monbukagakusho. The following homepage is useful for looking for a prospective academic advisor at Kanazawa University.

http://kurt.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/souran_ku/index_e.php http://read.jst.go.jp/index_e.html

9) Other:

An applicant who meets one of the following conditions may NOT apply for this scholarship.

- ①who is applying to other institutions in Japan for this scholarship.
- ②who is applying for this scholarship through a Japanese embassy or consulate overseas.
- ③who is applying for the scholarship of the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO).
- (4) who is a JASSO or a Monbukagakusho scholarship recipient who has studied in Japan and who will go on to study there.
- ⑤who stay and/or will stay in Japan before October 2012; for example, who study and/or will study for academic year 2012 at the college or university in Japan as a privately financed international student.
- 6 who will receive financial support from his/her government or other organizations while he/she studies in Japan.
- Twho is a serviceperson or military civilian employee on active list.
- (8) who cannot arrive in Japan within the specified time limit.
- (9) who is a former Monbukagakusho scholarship recipient who does not meet any of the following conditions.
 - a) who has 3 years' research or teaching experiences after the end of the scholarship
 - b) who was a "Japanese studies" Monbukagakusho scholarship recipient.
 - c) who was a "Japan-Korea Cooperative Program for Science and Engineering Students" scholarship recipient.

2 Scholarship Benefits

1) Allowance per month: Research Students; 150,000 yen

Master's Program Students; 152,000 yen Doctoral Program Students; 153,000 yen

*The allowance is paid for one year and a half from October, 2012 to March, 2014 for Research Students. The grantee who is admitted into Master's or Doctoral program of Kanazawa University during the term of scholarship will be able to extend his or her term of scholarship if he/she makes excellent results in his/her studies and meets the conditions necessary for the extension.

2) Transportation:

- a) Transportation to Japan: The grantee will be supplied with an economy class air ticket from the international airport nearest to his/her home address to an international airport in Japan, such as Kansai International Airport. Such expenses as inland transportation from his/her home address to the international airport, airport tax and special taxes on overseas travel, inland transportation from an international airport in Japan to Kanazawa will NOT be covered. (The address in the country of the grantee's nationality stated in the application is in principle considered as the "home address"). Air travel from a country other than the grantee's nationality will not be covered.
- b) Transportation from Japan: The grantee who returns to his/her home country within the last-payment month of his/her scholarship will be provided, upon application, with an economy class air ticket from an international airport in Japan to the international airport nearest to his/her home address.

(Note) The cost of any aviation and accident insurance for travel to and from Japan shall be

borne by the grantee. The international airport from and to Japan must be one in the country of the grantee's nationality.

3) Tuition: waived.

3 Application Procedure

An applicant must submit the following documents. <u>All documents must be written in either English or Japanese</u>. If it is impossible, you must attach Japanese translations of them. <u>English translations</u> are not acceptable.

Deadline for application: January 13, 2012

- 1) Completed application form (<u>in both side printing</u>) with photographs (4.5×3.5cm; upper body, full-faced, uncapped) taken within the past 6 months. Please write applicant's name and nationality in block letters on the back of the photograph. The photographs should be pasted on the specified place on the application forms. (Please use the prescribed form)
- 2) Field of Study and Study Program (Please use the prescribed form)
- 3) Photocopy of the university diploma or of certificate of degree, or a certified letter from the university at which the applicant is currently enrolled, stating the expected graduation date.
- 4) Official academic transcript of all applicable undergraduate and graduate course work from the institution including your GPA and/or ranking in your institution.
- 5) Photocopy of his/her birth certificate or certificate of citizenship in the applicant's home country
- 6) A letter of recommendation written by the President, Dean or Director of the institution that has the exchange agreement with Kanazawa University addressed to the President of Kanazawa University (use the prescribed form)
- 7) Summary of the latest thesis for a degree
- 8) Acceptance letter written by a prospective academic advisor from Kanazawa University. (An emailed one is also available.)
- 9) Certificate of official language qualification such as TOEFL, TOEIC, Japanese subject of Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) and/or Japanese Language Proficiency Test.
- 10) Certificate of Health (use the prescribed form to be completed by the examining physician)
- 11) Pledge (use the prescribed form)

4 Notes

1) Applications will not be accepted if any of the above documents are incomplete, incorrect or not

supported by evidence. They also will not be accepted if they arrive after the deadline.

- 2) All documents once submitted will not be returned.
- 3) After an applicant has agreed to accept the scholarship, he/she must not change the host institution in Japan.
- 4) The payment of scholarship may be terminated in the following conditions.
 - ① Any of the information supplied with an application is found to be false later. Admission can be canceled any time after enrollment.
 - ② He/She violates the pledge declared to the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology.
 - ③ He/She has been subjected to a disciplinary punishment or has been judged by the faculty as not being able to continue the program.
 - ④ It becomes definitive that he/she will not be able to complete his/her course within the standard course term because of his/her poor academic achievement or suspension.
 - (5) He/She quits Kanazawa university.
 - 6 He/She changes to other university.
 - (7) He/She changes the status of residence to the one except for "College Student".
 - 8 He/She receives financial support from his/her government or other organizations.
- 5) The scholarship will be suspended during the period of a leave of absence or when the student remains off campus for a long time.
- 6) In 2011, only two graduates who applied through Kanazawa University were selected as a Monbukagakusho scholarship recipient. The number of the recipients is likely to be decided by the budgetary policies of Monbukagakusho.
- 7) If you need further information, please contact below:

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