

Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program (Undergraduate Student) for 2021 - for Israeli Citizen

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) offers scholarships to international students who wish to study at Japanese universities as undergraduate students under the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program for 2021.

The scholarship period will be 5 years from April 2021 to March 2026, including the first 1 year preparatory education in the Japanese language and other subjects due to be provided upon arrivals in Japan.

For scholarship grantees majoring in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or a 6 year course in pharmacy, the scholarship period will be 7 years until March 2028.

Important Note:

In some circumstances such as travel restrictions or curfew due to Covid-19 situation, there are possibilities that the selection process will be cancelled or applicants will not be able to come to Japan even after being selected as scholarship students.

The Embassy of Japan in Israel is now open for the applications from Israeli citizens for this program as follows.

I . Application Guideline

Please read carefully the Application Guidelines provided by MEXT

https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/assets/pdf/app/undergraduate/2021_Guidelines_Undergraduate_E.pdf

The Embassy of Japan in Israel accepts applications only from the Israeli citizens (a holder of an Israeli passport or an Israeli ID card).

Please check if you are eligible to apply, with "Application Guidelines: 5. Qualifications & Conditions". If you are not sure about your eligibility, please contact us via email to: study@tl.mofa.go.jp.

II . Schedule & Procedure

1. Get your Application forms & other documents

The Embassy of Japan in Israel will send you the application forms after confirming that you satisfy the qualification requirements. Please send the following information to:

study@tl.mofa.go.jp

- (1) Full Name in English with "Ms." Or "Mr."
- (2) Nationality *only an Israeli passport / an Israeli ID holders can apply
- (3) Date of birth *only who was born on or after April 2, 1996
- (4) The month and the year you have completed / will complete your high school education, and whether if you have full Bagrut certificate with grades
- (5) Current status (If you are currently on a military duty, please note the expected date/month/year of your release. This is for our check whether if you can start your study in Japan from April 2021)

2. Prepare and submit applications (by August 31, 2020)

- (1) All required documents should be fully and correctly completed (2 sets).
Incomplete set of documents will be disqualified.
Please be reminded that you will need time to prepare some documents to be provided by your high school administration such as 'Academic Transcript', 'High school Graduation Certificate' and 'Full Bagrut Certificate + Bagrut Grades'.
- (2) All documents submitted will not be returned.
- (3) Official documents must be submitted in **English Only**. In case your high school does not issue the document in English, you must submit an English translation in addition to the original documents. (That means Academic Transcript, High school Graduation Certificate and Full Bagrut Certificate + Bagrut Grades must be submitted with English translation). No need for official notary translation but only your own translation with Word File.
Documents in Hebrew or Arabic without English translation will not be accepted.
- (4) The application documents should be submitted by hand to the Press & Culture Section, Embassy of Japan in Israel.
DEADLINE: **Monday, August 31, 2020 (until 16:30).**
Address of Embassy of Japan in Israel:
19th Floor, The Museum Tower, 4 Berkowitz Street, Tel Aviv
Opening hours: 9:00-17:00 (Mon.-Thu.), 9:00-15:00 (Fri.)
***An appointment is required to submit the documents. Please contact in advance before your visit in the Embassy for applying.**
- (5) Please note that without Full Bagrut Certificate with Bagrut Grades, you will not be eligible to pass the Embassy's First Screening.

3. Written Examinations & Interview (The First Screening by the Embassy)

- (1) **The Embassy's First Screening** procedures will be handled by the 2021 Undergraduate Student Scholarship Candidates Selection Committee, organized by the Embassy of Japan in Israel.
- (2) **Document Screening:** Document screening will be held after deadline for applying (August 31, 2020), then the result of document screening will be announced to all applicants via email by around September 7, 2020. Only those who passed the document screening will be invited to written examinations.
- (3) **Written examinations:** will be held on **Thursday, September 24, 2020.**
Subjects of examinations:
 - (a) For applicants for a major in **Social Sciences and Humanities:**
Japanese, English and Mathematics A (3 subjects in all).
 - (b) For applicants for a major in **Natural Sciences:**
Japanese, English, Mathematics B, and two subjects selected from: **Physics / Chemistry / Biology** (5 subjects in all).

Please see more details on Application Guidelines.

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*For your study and preparation, please refer the samples of the past exams:

<https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarship/application/examination.html>

**Samples of Japanese exams are not disclosed. Please refer Japanese exams sample from "Research Student Scholarship Program" category.

- (4) **Interview:** Examinees who pass the written examinations will be invited to an interview (mainly in English), which will be held by the Committee members on **Monday, October 12, 2020.**
- (5) After the interview, the Committee will select final candidates who pass the First Screening. The Embassy will announce the results via email to all the interviewees a few days after the interview.

*exams and interview date might be slightly changed. Final dates will be informed to the applicants.

4. The Second Screening by MEXT in Japan

Applicants who have been selected by the Embassy's First Screening as final candidates will be recommended to MEXT in Japan. Then MEXT will conduct the Second Screening of the final candidates and decide on the grantees of this program.

5. Final Result Announcement

The result of the Second Screening will be informed to successful grantees by the end of January 2021, with information about the Japanese university to which each grantee

will be enrolled for the 1st year of Japanese language preparatory education.

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