Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program

2022 Research Student (for Israeli Citizens)

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (MEXT) of Japan offers scholarships to international students who wish to study in **graduate courses** at Japanese universities as Research Students (either non-degree or degree students) under the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program for 2022.

Important Notices:

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 granted as scholarship students.

I. What is "Research Student Scholarship"?

- 1. Being "Research Student" in Japanese university graduate school, writing research paper
- 2. Applicable only who is a Bachelor Graduate, or to be graduated this year, or currently Master student
- 3. Research term: for 2 years or 1.5 years (from April or September/October 2022)
- 4. There are possibilities to continue Master/Doctoral courses

Please read **"Application Guidelines**" provided by MEXT. <u>http://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/_mt/2021/04/2022_Guidelines_Research_E.pdf</u>

II. Candidates Selection Schedule & Procedure

1. Get your Application forms & other documents

The Embassy provides application forms by email, only to those who satisfies the qualification requirements. To get documents, please send the following information to the Embassy:

<u>study@tl.mofa.go.jp</u>.

- (1) Full Name in English with "Ms." Or "Mr."
- (2) Nationality *Only Israeli passport/ Israeli ID holders can apply.
- (3) Date of birth *Applicants must have been born on or after April 2, 1987.
- (4) Name of the university you graduated / or will graduate, and the degree (Bachelor, Master, etc.) you received / or will receive. Please write Department name as well.

2. Prepare and submit applications (submitting to the Embassy by June 11, 2021)

- (1) Detailed instruction how to prepare application documents is in "Application Guidelines" and in Email guidance being sent with all the application forms.
- (2) The application documents should be submitted by hand to the Press & Culture Section, Embassy of Japan in Israel.

DEADLINE: Friday, June 11, 2021 (until 14:30).

Embassy Opening hours: 9:00-17:00 (Mon.-Thu.), 9:00-15:00 (Fri.). Closed (Sat.-Sun.) *An appointment is required to submit the documents. Please contact in advance before your visit in the Embassy for applying.

3. The First Screening (=Document Screening, Written Examinations & Interview)

- (1) **The First Screening** procedures will be handled by the 2022 Research Student Scholarship Candidates Selection Committee, organized by the Embassy.
- (2) The result of **Document Screening** will be announced to all applicants via email by around June 16, 2021. Only who passed the document screening will be invited to **written examinations**, and only who got minimum scores of the examinations will be invited to the **interview**.
- (3) Both written examinations and interview will be held at the Embassy of Japan in Israel.
 Written Examinations (English test and Japanese test): Friday, June 18, 2021
 Interview: Wednesday, June 22, 2021

*these dates might be slightly changed. Final dates will be informed to the applicants.
*For your preparation for the test, the following past samples may be useful:
<u>http://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarship/application/examination/</u>
**There are no options of "On-line exams / On-line interview".

(4) The result of **the First screening** will be announced via email to the applicants by the Embassy in a few days after the interview.

4. Provisional Acceptance from Japanese universities and the Second Screening by MEXT

- (1) <u>The candidates who passed the first screening</u> will need to contact the Japanese universities of his/her choice **AFTER** the first screening, for obtaining "a letter of provisional acceptance". Please see details in "Application Guidelines".
- (2) MEXT will conduct the Second Screening based on the results of the Embassy's First Screening, and it will decide which candidates will be granted to this program. Then MEXT will coordinate "university placement", to which Japanese university each granted candidate will be enrolled.

5. Final result announcement

The final result of **the Second Screening** by MEXT and the university placement will be announced to the granted candidates during January – February 2022.

For any inquiry, please email to study@tl.mofa.go.jp.