

Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program

(Undergraduate Student) for 2026 - for Israeli Citizens

The Japanese 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 2026.

The scholarship period will be **5 years** from April 2026 to March 2031, including the first 1 year preparatory education course for 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 2033.

I . Application Guidelines

Please read carefully “**Application Guidelines**” provided by MEXT

https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/_mt/2025/04/2026_Guidelines_Undergraduate_E.pdf

The Embassy of Japan in Israel (=The Embassy) accepts applications 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 for Israeli Applicants

1. Get your Application forms & other documents

The Embassy will send you the application forms upon your email request to:

study@tl.mofa.go.jp

Please write the following your personal information in your email.

- (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, 2001**
- (4) The month and the year you have completed / will complete your high school education with **full Bagrut** certificate with grades

(5) Current status (If you are currently on IDF military duty/National Service, please note the date/month/year you will be released. This is for our internal check whether if you can start your study in Japan from April 2026)

2. Prepare and submit applications (by **Friday, June 13, 2025)**

- (1) All required documents are to 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 (High school 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 your own translation with Word File is enough.

Documents in Hebrew or Arabic without English translation will not be accepted.

- (4) The application documents should be submitted by hand to the Press & Cultural Section, Embassy of Japan in Israel.

DEADLINE: Friday, June 13, 2025 (-14:30).

Address of Embassy of Japan in Israel:

19th Floor, The Museum Tower, 4 Berkowitz Street, Tel Aviv

Document submission hours: 9:30-16:30 (Mon-Thu), 9:30-14:30 (Fri),

*Sat-Sun: Closed

***An appointment is required to submit the documents. Please contact in advance before your visit in the Embassy for applying. study@tl.mofa.go.jp**

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 2026 Undergraduate Student Scholarship Candidates Selection Committee, organized by the Embassy.
- (2) The result of **document screening** will be announced to all applicants via email by June 18, 2025. Only those who passed the document screening will be invited to written examinations.
- (3) Both written examinations and interview will be held at the Embassy of Japan in Israel.

Written examinations: will be held on **Wednesday, July 9, 2025.**

Subjects of examinations:

(a) For applicants for a major in **Social Sciences and Humanities**:

All applicants must take exams of **Japanese A, English A and Mathematics A** (3 subjects in all).

(b) For applicants for a major in **Natural Sciences**:

All applicants must take exams of **Japanese B, English B, Mathematics B, Chemistry** and one subjects selected from: **Physics / Biology** (5 subjects in all).

(Please see more details on **Application Guidelines, page 7, 9.SELECTION**)

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

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

**Some English / Japanese exams are not disclosed. Please refer English & Japanese exams samples from “Research Student Scholarship Program” category.

Interview: Examinees who get minimum scores in the written examinations will be invited to an interview , which will be held by the Committee members on

Wednesday, July 16, 2025.

(4) 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 dates are currently only tentative and 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.

MEXT will inform the result by the end of November, 2025.

Then MEXT will coordinate university placement for the 1st year of Japanese language preparatory education.

5. Final Result Announcement

The final result will be informed during mid-January and early March, 2026, with information about the Japanese university name.

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