

Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program

2027 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 **2027**.

I. Application Guidelines

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

https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/mt/2026/04/01-2027_Research_Guidelines_E.pdf

The Embassy of Japan in Israel (=the Embassy) accepts applications only from Israeli applicants (Israeli passport/ID holder).

II. 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 by email: study@tl.mofa.go.jp.

- (1) Full Name in English with "Ms." Or "Mr."
- (2) Nationality Israeli *Only Israeli passport/ID holders can apply.
- (3) Date of birth *Applicants must have been born on or after **April 2, 1992**.
- (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.
- (5) Date of Expected Graduation (only if currently enrolled)

2. Prepare and submit your application

All application documents must be submitted to the Embassy of Japan in Israel by the deadline below.

DEADLINE: Friday, June 5, 2026, 14:30

(1) All required documents must be fully and correctly completed. Incomplete applications will be disqualified.

(2) Submitted documents will not be returned. Art portfolios may be returned upon request within one year after submission.

(3) All documents must be submitted in English only. If your university does not issue documents in English, you must provide an English translation together with the original. Documents in Hebrew or Arabic without an English translation will not be accepted. Self-prepared translations (e.g., Word files) are acceptable; notarization is not required.

(4) Applications must be submitted in person to the Press & Cultural Section, Embassy of Japan in Israel.

Please contact the Embassy in advance at: study@tl.mofa.go.jp

Address:

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

Document receiving hours ***An appointment is required.** :

Mon–Thu: 9:30–16:30

Fri: 9:30–14:30

(Sat–Sun closed)

3. First Screening (Document Review, Written Examinations, and Interview)

The first screening will be conducted by the Embassy's Selection Committee.

(1) Document Screening

Results will be announced by email around June 10, 2026.

Only successful applicants will proceed to the written examinations.

(2) **Written Examinations** (English and Japanese)

Date: **Friday, June 19, 2026**

Only applicants who achieve the required scores will be invited to the interview.

(3) **Interview** (mainly in English)

Date: **Wednesday, July 1, 2026**

*All examinations and interviews will be held at the Embassy of Japan in Israel.

*Online examinations or interviews are not available.

*Dates are subject to change. Final schedules will be announced to applicants.

(4) Final Results of the First Screening

Results will be announced by email by mid-July 2026.

For exam preparation, past papers are available at:

<https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarships/mext-scholarships/examination.html>

4. Provisional Acceptance and Second Screening by MEXT

(1) Provisional Acceptance from Universities

Applicants who pass the First Screening must contact Japanese universities of their choice between July and early September 2026 to obtain a Letter of Provisional Acceptance (using the form provided by the Embassy).

They must also submit the Placement Preference Application Form to the Embassy by the end of September 2026.

(2) Submission to MEXT

The Embassy will submit all required documents, along with recommendation comments, to MEXT by the end of September 2026.

(3) Second Screening and University Placement

MEXT will conduct the Second Screening in November 2026 based on the results of the First Screening.

Successful candidates will be selected for the scholarship, and MEXT will determine their university placement.

5. Final Results

Final results, including university placement, will be announced to successful candidates between **January and early March 2027**.

6. Departure to Japan

(1) A granted candidate who start studying for 2 years: departing in April 2027

(2) A granted candidate who start studying for 1.5 years: departing in September/October 2027

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