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Japanese Government Scholarship for 2016

The Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of Bahrain is pleased to invite interested Bahraini students who wish to study various fields at Japanese universities as undergraduate students and research students (postgraduate students), to apply for MEXT (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) Scholarship for 2016.

The Japanese Government Scholarship Program, which was established in 1954, was created in order to increase mutual understanding between the people of Japan and other countries as well as to make an international contribution to the intellectual field. The scholarship benefits include air fees between Japan and Bahrain, tuition fees and a monthly allowance.

Applicants for “Undergraduate Students” must have been born between April 2, 1994 and April 1, 1999, and also must have completed a 12-year school education. (Any applicants who have the above qualifications by March, 2016 are also included.) Applicants for “Research students” must have been born on or after April 2, 1981, and also must have completed or will complete 16 years of school education (or 18 years of school education if he / she desires to enroll in course in the field of medicine, dentistry or veterinary science, or pharmacy which is based on a 6-year course in a department or faculty).

The term of the scholarship is as follows:

1. Undergraduate Students

The scholarship is tenable for five years from April 2016 to March 2021 (including one-year for studying the Japanese language), except for those majoring in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or a six-year course in pharmacy, whose term of scholarship is seven years until March 2023.

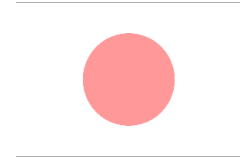
2. Research Students

Applicants may choose one of the following terms of scholarship:

- (1) Two years from April 2016 to March 2018. (including six months for studying the Japanese language)
- (2) One and a half years from October 2016 to March 2018. (including six months for studying the Japanese language)

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If the Grantee enrolls in a master's course, doctoral course, or professional graduate course after arriving in Japan, regardless of the time of his/her arrival in Japan; the scholarship will be payable for a period necessary for the Grantee to complete his/her regular course (standard course term). (Plus a 6-month Japanese language training period for the Grantee who requires such training.)

The selection of candidates is as follows:

- (1) The Embassy conducts a primary screening of candidates by means of submitted application documents, written examination and interviews.
- (2) The Government of Japan conducts a secondary screening based on the results of the primary screening conducted by the Embassy.

All requested documents must be submitted to the following organizations before the following date.

-Undergraduate Students: 21st May 2015 (Submit to the Ministry of Education only)

Note: For further information in regard to submitting to the Ministry, inquiries can be directed to the Ministry.

-Research Students: 21st May 2015 (Submit to the Embassy only)

The guideline and all of the requested documents can be downloaded in the following URL.

URL: <http://www.bh.emb-japan.go.jp/Scholarship2016.htm>

This program has benefited 92,000 students from approximately 160 countries and regions around world from its beginning until May 2011. Around 30 Bahraini students have been given opportunities to study at Japanese universities, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education of the Kingdom of Bahrain since 1994. Currently, six Bahraini students are studying in Japan.

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