

NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

All necessary application documents must be submitted in English or together with an official English translation!

For submitting your application, please do read carefully paragraph 9. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS of the Application Guidelines Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship for 2020 (Research Students). You will have to submit all documents required there, **except numbers ② Placement Preference Application Form and ⑦ Medical certificate**. These documents are not necessary for the first application round!

Please submit the application documents as soon as possible! Application documents arriving after June 7th 15:00 o'clock will not be considered!

TIMETABLE

1. Initial applications to be submitted to the Liaison Office Entrusted by the Government of Japan in Prishtina by **June 7th, 2019** at the latest. Applications arriving after this date will not be considered!
2. **End of June:** Selected candidates will receive a letter of invitation to an interview (**Beginning of July 2019**) at the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology preceded by a language test (English and/or Japanese). At the interview, candidates will be selected for recommendation to the Monbukagakusho.
3. **December 2019:** Successful applicants will be notified of their acceptance by Monbukagakusho.
4. **February 2020:** Candidates will be given notification of their final acceptance, once their chosen Japanese university has confirmed with Monbukagakusho that a suitable placement is available.

ESTABLISHING CONTACT WITH A JAPANESE UNIVERSITY

1. Applicants have to first find a suitable Japanese university for carrying out their study project by the time of the interview in June. **It is not necessary to have found a Japanese supervisor until the interview.**
2. A list of universities can be obtained at several internet sites:
<http://researchmap.jp/search/?lang=english> (English)
<http://www.mext.go.jp/en/about/relatedsites/title01/detail01/1373673.htm> (English)
http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/ryugaku/kokuhi/tokubetu/07032702.htm (English)
<http://www.jsps.go.jp/j-hakasekatei/saitaku.html> (Japanese)
<http://jglobal.jst.go.jp/> (Japanese)
3. If applicants cannot propose a suitable university by the time of the interview in July he/she will not be considered as a candidate.

Final placement will be decided by Monbukagakusho. No objection by the grantee shall be made regarding the university placement.

DETAILED INFORMATION

For detailed information and application forms visit:

http://www.at.emb-japan.go.jp/kosovo/en/30_culture/010_study/mext_graduate_students.html

or

http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/jp/smap_stopj-applications_research.html

(The Placement Preference Form and the Certificate of Health are not necessary at this point of application! All other documents must be submitted in English!)

Examples for past written examination questions:

<http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/toj/toj0302e-32.html#1> (Research Students)

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:

Students should send completed applications to:

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(Please do make an appointment, if you do want to hand over your documents in person!)

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