2020 MEXT Scholarship for Post-graduate Research in Japan



The Government of Japan opens opportunities for its Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (MEXT) Scholarship Programme for **graduate-level research** in Japan in 2020-2022.

Eligibility Requirements:

- South Sudanese national Cf. Other nationals shall submit applications at Japanese diplomatic missions in their home countries.
- Holder of Bachelor's degree from a tertiary academic institution with above average GPA
- 34 years of age or younger as of 1 April, 2019
- Physically and mentally sound
- Willing to learn Japanese language and culture and to enhance Japan-South Sudan relationship

Terms of Scholarship

- Recipients will attend 6-month Japanese language lessons and at least 1.5 years of post-graduate research programmes. Those who are proficient in Japanese will be exempt from the language lessons.
- Fees pertaining to the entrance exam, matriculation, and tuition at the host university, and fares for round-trip tickets will be covered by the Government of Japan.
- Monthly allowance of JPY 143,000 will be provided from April 2020 through March 2022.
- Scholarship recipients must take an oath on a set of regulations prior to their dispatch.

Documents to be submitted *Submit the original copy and two photocopies as per the **Guidelines**

- Application Form¹
- <u>Placement Preference Form</u>² Candidates who have passed the subsequent interview must secure a Letter of Acceptance from the preferred institution(s) on their own.
- <u>Field of Study and Research Plan</u>³ detailed description of research field(s) of choice with clear achievement goals
- Medical Examination Form⁴
- Letter of Recommendation⁵ from a previous academic instructor or chancellor of alma mater
- Letter of Recommendation from a supervisor, if currently employed
- <u>Certificate of Graduation or Degree Certificate of the University Attended</u> photocopies to be attested to by the school authority
- Academic Transcripts from Each School Years of the Last School of attendance (the name of all
 courses attended and the earned grade for each course should be shown)
- Summary of the previously-authored graduation thesis (or abstract), if any.
- Three mug-shot photos, 4.5 cm x 3.5 cm

Forms 1-5, and the Guidelines, available in print at the Embassy, are to be strictly followed.

Please refer to the below link for electronic version of Forms 1-5 and Application Guidelines. https://www.studyjapan.go.jp/jp/smap_stopj-applications_research.html

Hard copy submissions are to be made at the Embassy's reception by <u>at noon on 20th June 2019 (Thu)</u>. Those who pass the initial screening will be called in for the English and the Japanese language examinations, and an oral interview by the selection committee.

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