

***Deadline of Submission Changed to 23rd September 2020**

Call for Applications: 2021 MEXT Scholarship for Research Students.

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) of Japan offers scholarships for non-Japanese nationals willing to study in Japan. In South Sudan, the Ministry offers and opens opportunities for the scholarship for Research Students (master's course, doctoral course or professional graduate course).

However, due to the COVID-19, **the application and selection process may be cancelled** with announcements only available at Embassy's website or Facebook page and will not be informed individually.

1 Qualifications and Conditions

- (1) South Sudanese national
- (2) Must be born on or after April 2, 1986
- (3) Academic background: refer to the application guideline
- (4) Physically and mentally sound
- (5) Willing to learn Japanese language and culture (must have the ability to do research and adopt to live in Japan)

2 Terms of Scholarship

- (1) Recipients whose Japanese language ability is insufficient shall attend designated Japanese language study course (for 6 months in general).
- (2) 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.
- (3) Scholarship recipients must take an oath on a set of regulations prior to their dispatch

3 Documents for Application:

- (1) Application Form
- (2) Placement Preference Form
- (3) Field of Study and Research Plan
- (4) Certified grade transcripts for each academic year from the last school attended (the name of all courses attended and the earned grade for each course should be shown)
- (5) Certification of graduation or degree certificate of the university attended (If the applicant has not yet graduated, submit a certificate of prospective graduation from the university)
- (6) Letter of Recommendation from the president/dean or the academic advisor at the current or last university attended.
- (7) Medical certificate
- (8) Summary of theses (if the applicant has written theses)

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- (9) Certificate of language proficiency (if the applicant has documents attesting to competency in Japanese or English)
- (10) Letter of Recommendation from the present employer (if the applicant is currently employed)
- (11) Three headshot photos, 4.5 cm x 3.5 cm

Note:

- (1) All necessary documents and forms for application (including guideline) are available at <https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/smap-stopj-applications-research.html> or Embassy of Japan.
- (2) Incomplete application will not be processed. If any document cannot be obtained before the deadline, please consult to the Embassy.
- (3) Please submit the original set of documents and two sets of photocopies as per the Guidelines.
- (4) Documents submitted to the Embassy shall not be returned.

4 Deadline and Place of Submission:

- (1) **Wednesday 23 September at noon**
- (2) Application documents should be submitted in hard copies at the Embassy's reception before or on the deadline.
- (3) Any inquiry should be directed to Mr. Ayuel Leek at the Embassy of Japan in South Sudan, reachable at ayuel.leekdeng@ju.mofa.go.jp or +211 922 671 515

5 Screening Process

- (1) Submitted Document Screening
- (2) Written Examination (tentatively in first week of October)
 - * Only those who passed the document screening are called for next step.
- (3) Interview (tentatively in second or third week of October)

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