

No.34/43/2011-EO(F)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
Department of Personnel and Training

North Block, New Delhi-110001.

Dated the 28th July, 2011

To

1. The Chief Secretaries of all the State Government's/ UT's.
2. The Secretaries of all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India.

Subject : One year Master's Degree Programme- **School of Government (Public Policy in the Central Government)** at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Japan from October 2012 to September 2013.

Sir/Madam,

Applications/ nominations are invited for the **Young Leaders' Program (YLP)- for the academic year 2012-2013**, under which the programme- **School of Government (Public Policy in the Central Government)** is being offered by the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Japan.

2. The School of Government Course is designed to train and cultivate national leaders in their respective fields of government, with the advantage of interaction with both Western and Asian countries. The programme is open to young public administrators and government officials who are expected to play active roles as future national leaders.

Course Duration: The Course is for duration of one year from October 2012 to September 2013 resulting in the conferral of a Master's Degree in Public Administration/Public Policy by GRIPS.

Language of Instruction: All lectures are conducted in English.

Qualifications :

- In principle the applicant should be under **40 years** of age as on 1st October 2012 (i.e. born on or after 2nd October 1972);
- Must hold a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent from a recognized/ accredited university or college, and have achieved/shown excellent academic performance;
- Have at least 3 years of work experience in public administration (preferably 5 years or more);
- Be proficient in English;
- Applicants must be in good health;
- Selected candidates will have to obtain a "College Student" Visa prior to their arrival in Japan;

3. A Scholarship of 255,000 yen per month will be provided for one year, starting from October 2012. The students will be provided with economy airfares to and from Japan.

4. The details of the programme and the application form may be drawn from Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions website (**persmin.nic.in**).

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5. It is requested that the nomination of the suitable candidates may please be forwarded in the prescribed application proformas, alongwith health certificates and other supporting documents, to this Department in accordance with the eligibility criteria and the terms and conditions of the Embassy of Japan, India Note Verbale dated 14th July 2011. The vigilance clearance certificate should be accompanied with the application. It may also be noted that, once selected, if the candidate, withdraws his/her candidature, he/she will attract debarment from future trainings as per the extant rules.

6. The applications should reach this Department through proper channel **not later than 7th October 2011**. Nominations received after the prescribed date will not be considered. A scanned copy of application may also be sent to the e-mail address - docof@nic.in

Yours faithfully,



(Raakesh Mishra)

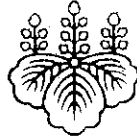
Desk Officer

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Email : docof@nic.in

Copy to:

Director (Technical), NIC with the request to post the circular along with the Embassy of Japan, India, circular dated 14/7/2011 and the enclosed Brochure/ Application Proformas on the Department's website



No. 8/2/11

EMBASSY OF JAPAN
INDIANOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of Japan presents its compliments to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training) and has the honour to inform that the Government of Japan wishes to offer special scholarships under the Young Leaders' Program (YLP), through which exceptionally bright, young Government Administrative Service Officers from various Asian countries are invited for an all-expenses-paid study visit to Japan, to attend a one year Masters degree course in the following categories:

1. School of Government (Public Policy in the Central Government)
2. Local Government (Public Policy in the Local Government)
3. Law

*Number of scholarships available: approximately three
Each person can apply for only one course.*

As in the previous years, the Embassy of Japan has the honour to request the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training) to select and recommend suitable candidates (young IAS officers) for enrolment in the said program for the year 2012.

Enclosed herewith are three packages (one each for the 'School of Government' Course, the 'Local Government' Course and the 'Law' Course) containing the following documents:

1. General Guidance Brochures (4 nos.)
2. Application Guidelines, Application Forms, Essay Questions, Recommendation Forms, Certificates of Health, and Brochures (20 nos. of each for School of Government and Local Government, and 30 nos. of each for Law)

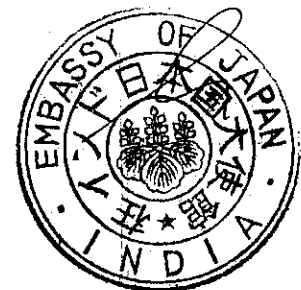
The Embassy of Japan would highly appreciate if the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training) could nominate some candidates and provide their names to this Embassy along with the duly filled application forms, health certificates and other supporting documents, by 14 October 2011, at the latest.

The Embassy of Japan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training) the assurances of its highest consideration.

New Delhi, 14 July 2011

Encls.: As above

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
(Department of Personnel and Training)
North Block
New Delhi 110011



Cc: Ministry of External Affairs (East Asia Division), South Block, New Delhi 110011

YLP-MEXT Scholarship Program

Young Leaders Program

School of Government

School of Local Governance



政策研究大学院大学
NATIONAL GRADUATE INSTITUTE
FOR POLICY STUDIES

A World of Opportunities for Young Leaders

Message from the Program Director

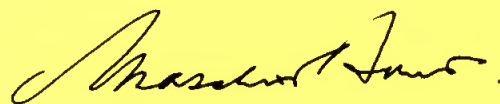


The Young Leaders Program (YLP) at GRIPS is a special master's degree program for promising young leaders in government. It is fully supported, including full scholarships for all students, by the Japanese government.

The YLP aims at nurturing future national leaders in Asia and other regions, forming international human networks of these leaders, establishing friendly relations among participating countries and improving the quality of public policy.

The specific content of the YLP is designed to provide young leaders with opportunities to enrich and enlarge their knowledge of global, regional and Japanese politics and economies, public administration and policies from comparative, historical and contemporary perspectives. The faculty is composed of eminent academics and former government officials with a wide range of experience in both national and local governments.

I hope you will join the Young Leaders Program and realize your dream of contributing to your country and to the global community in your future career.



Prof. Masahiro Horie

Director, Young Leaders Program
Specialty: Public Administration



Prof. Mikitaka Masuyama

Deputy Director,
School of Government
Specialty: Japanese Politics, Legislative Institutions, Political Methodology



Prof. Kiyotaka Yokomichi

Deputy Director,
School of Local Governance
Specialty: Local Autonomy, Local Administration

About GRIPS

The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) was founded in 1997 by the Japanese government as a stand-alone national graduate university focused on policy studies. Future policy leaders and researchers from all over the world gather here, forming an international research hub.

The Young Leaders Program is a one-year program that culminates in a Master's Degree in Public Administration or Public Policy. The YLP is part of the Japanese government's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) scholarship program.

1 About the Program

The YLP has two parallel and overlapping programs run through the School of Government and the School of Local Governance. The curriculum for both courses is taught entirely in English and covers a wide range of topics concerning public administration and policy formulation. It also offers the opportunity for intensive discussion with politicians, high-level government officials, corporate directors, journalists and other leaders. The program includes field trips and workshops and requires a final paper based on independent study and research. There are opportunities to collaborate on policy research with other institutions, including Japan's central and local governments. The colloquium, which meets five times per semester, is an unrivalled opportunity to discuss fresh ideas with eminent speakers.

Goals and mission

The goal of the YLP is to cultivate national leaders of the future in Asia and around the world. Participants gain a deep understanding of Japan through their activities and work during the program and build the foundations for a network of friendly relationships and improved policy planning capacity among national leaders.

Graduates from the YLP are expected to return to their former governmental organizations and apply their knowledge and experience to become strong leaders.

Target group

The Young Leaders Program is for exceptionally promising young government officials who have already shown their dedication through work experience in public administration. Students are admitted on the basis of an appraisal of their potential to become future leaders at home, to play important roles in their countries' development and to maintain strong, long-lasting working relationships with Japan and other countries around the world.



Photo : ★ Masao Nishikawa ☆ I.J.Orosa

2 Curriculum

Course Offerings for 2012-2013

School of Government

| Category | Course Name | Credit | |
|--|---|---|---|
| I Required Courses | Global Governance: Leadership and Negotiation | 2 | |
| | Introduction to Japan | 2 | |
| | Colloquium | 2 | |
| | Independent Study | 6 | |
| | Field Trip | 2 | |
| II Core Elective Courses | Introductory Microeconomics | 2 | |
| | Microeconomics I | 2 | |
| | Contemporary Japanese Economy | 2 | |
| | Japanese Economy | 2 | |
| | Economic Development of Japan | 2 | |
| | Government and Politics in Japan | 2 | |
| | International Relations | 2 | |
| | International Political Economy | 2 | |
| | International Security Studies | 2 | |
| | Comparative Politics | 2 | |
| | Structure and Process of Government | 2 | |
| | State Building and Development | 2 | |
| | III Recommended Courses | Macroeconomics I | 2 |
| | | Government and Market | 2 |
| | | Japan's ODA: Its Policies and Reform Agenda | 2 |
| Public Economics | | 2 | |
| International Trade | | 2 | |
| Japanese Financial System | | 2 | |
| Development Economics | | 2 | |
| National Security Policy | | 2 | |
| Social Science Questions and Methodologies | | 2 | |
| Local Government System | | 2 | |
| Local Government Finance | | 2 | |
| Local Governance in the Changing World | | 2 | |
| IV Elective Courses | Innovation, Sustainability and Uncertainty | 2 | |
| | Selected Topics in Policy Studies I-IV | 2 | |
| | Basic / Intermediate / Advanced Japanese courses offered by the Academic Writing Center | | |

School of Local Governance

| Category | Course Name | Credit | |
|---|---|-----------------------|---|
| I Required Courses | Local Government System | 2 | |
| | Local Government Finance | 2 | |
| | Local Governance in the Changing World | 2 | |
| | Introduction to Japan | 2 | |
| | Colloquium | 2 | |
| | Research Paper | 4 | |
| | Workshop I | 2 | |
| | Workshop II | 2 | |
| II Core Elective Courses | Government and Politics in Japan | 2 | |
| | International Relations | 2 | |
| | Structure and Process of Government | 2 | |
| | State Building and Development | 2 | |
| | Global Governance: Leadership and Negotiation | 2 | |
| | Microeconomics I | 2 | |
| | Introductory Microeconomics | 2 | |
| | Economic Development of Japan | 2 | |
| | III Recommended Courses | Macroeconomics I | 2 |
| | | Government and Market | 2 |
| Japan's ODA: Its Policies and Reform Agenda | | 2 | |
| Public Economics | | 2 | |
| International Trade | | 2 | |
| Japanese Financial System | | 2 | |
| Development Economics | | 2 | |
| IV Elective Courses | Social Science Questions and Methodologies | 2 | |
| | Innovation, Sustainability and Uncertainty | 2 | |
| | Selected Topics in Policy Studies I-IV | 2 | |
| | Basic / Intermediate / Advanced Japanese courses offered by the Academic Writing Center | | |

Courses offered in the program are subject to change.
For the latest, see
<http://www.grips.ac.jp/cstudents/bulletin.html>



Coursework

The Young Leaders Program offers a wide range of courses concerning public administration, economics, political science and policy formulation. In addition to the required courses, students can select subjects in accordance with their interests and needs. All courses are taught in English.

Colloquium

One of the unique features of the Young Leaders Program is the Colloquium, where YLP students are offered an exclusive and unrivalled opportunity to discuss and share ideas with a diverse range of eminent speakers, including many distinguished government leaders. The Colloquium meets ten times a year, divided between the fall and spring terms.

Independent Study & Research Paper

During the independent study you work one-on-one with an instructor on your master's thesis (or "policy paper") on a particular topic related to public administration and policy formulation. Students are supported in their research by the Academic Writing Center (AWC) that organizes Writing Workshops as well as individual consultation throughout the year. The AWC will also help students improve their presentation skills. All students will give a presentation on their research in July.

Field Trips (School of Government)

Educational field trips are organized twice a year and provide a great opportunity to learn about local governments and communities, and socioeconomic developments in Japan. The field trips complement what is being taught in the classrooms and take you to places that you may not be able to explore and learn about on your own. You will visit central and local government offices, cultural and historical heritage sites, and industrial facilities. The YLP School of Government class of 2010 students visited Iwate Prefecture in February 2011 and Fukuoka prefecture in July 2011.

Workshops (School of Local Governance)

During the workshops, you will visit central and local governments to meet with officials who will share their first-hand experience and practice in policy planning and implementation. You will also have a chance to visit various facilities such as organic vegetable farmers in scenic mountain areas or a day care facility for elderly people. You may thus be able to catch a glimpse of how the Japanese government system actually works in everyday life in Japan.



3 Student Support and Resources

One unique aspect of GRIPS is our extensive support system for assisting students in their daily living. We consider this aspect of your lives to be every bit as important as your academic life, especially for foreign scholars unfamiliar with Japan. As international students have comprised, on average, about 60% of the GRIPS student body over the last 10 years, we have developed comprehensive services to assist students in their day-to-day living.

The Student Office organizes orientation programs for incoming students and assists arriving international students in getting organized and settled in Japan. It also organizes a number of social events and activities, including field trips and concerts. The Student Office also functions as a hub to promote meaningful interaction and understanding between Japanese and foreign nationals.

Faculty

GRIPS has approximately 70 full-time faculty members from a variety of backgrounds. Many of them have served as central and local government officials, diplomats, bankers or business executives. This enables an effective combination of rigorous academic courses complemented by professional expertise and experience.

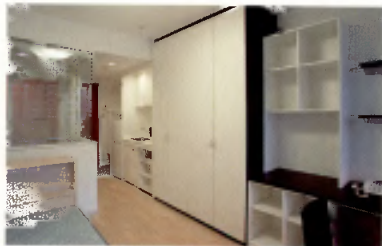
For more on our faculty members, please see <http://www.grips.ac.jp/about/directory.html>.

Accommodation

Accommodation is provided in the Tokyo International Exchange Center (TIEC), operated by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), in GRIPS International House, or in private apartments recommended by the GRIPS Student Office.

Tokyo Academic Park Residence Halls

In the bayside area, built in 2001 by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
Room Types: Single, Couple, Family
Available until March 2012



GRIPS International House I

In Nakano, built in 2009
Room Types: Single, Couple



GRIPS International House II

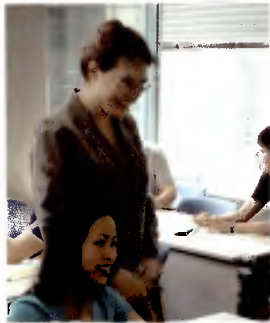
In Nakano, built in 2009
Room Types: Single, Couple



Resources

Academic Writing Center

Complements formal programs of study with instruction in fundamental areas of academic English



expression through:

- writing workshops
- individual consultations by appointment
- style guides and templates for independent study, research, and policy papers
- English and academic skills classes

Center for Japanese Language Learning

The center supports Japanese language learning of students who lack Japanese language proficiency for daily living and study. The purpose is to help students achieve greater competence in comprehension and speaking. The center also facilitates cultural and traditional experiences.



Library

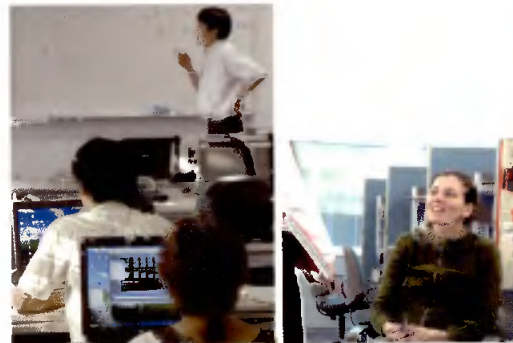
- Extensive collection of publications in the field of policy studies, collected from around the world
- Collection contains over 140,000 volumes, including reference books, statistical collections, working papers, and government documents
- Large collections of periodicals that include more than 4,000 journals, many of which are available online
- Well-trained staff are equipped to respond to research-related requests



Facilities

Student Rooms and Computers

- Each student is provided with a study space and laptop computer, accessible 24 hours a day
- A computer help desk is open to all students during regular working hours



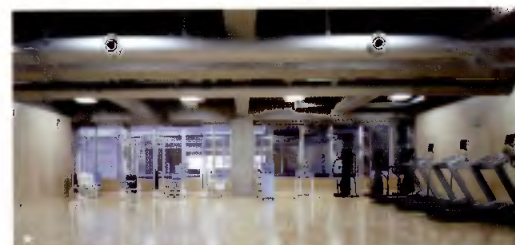
Health Services Center

- In-house health clinic
- Nurse on duty daily, doctor available several days a week
- Provides medical advice, basic medical examinations
- Will refer to an appropriate hospital or specialist when necessary



Fitness Center

- Running machines
- Training equipment
- Showers
- TV & DVD for exercises
- Free use by students, faculty, and staff



4 Admissions

Eligibility

The Young Leaders Program is open to young public administrators and government officials who are expected to play active roles in the future as national leaders in their home countries. A minimum of three years working experience (five is preferable) in the field in the applicant's home country is a prerequisite for admission to the program.

The School of Government focuses on national policy-making and accepts students from 29 countries: Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Czech Republic, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, P. R. China, Pakistan, the Philippines, Poland, South Korea, Romania, Singapore, Slovakia, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Vietnam.

The School of Local Governance focuses on areas such as education, health, social welfare, and local development. It accepts students from 19 countries: Cambodia, Czech Republic, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, P. R. China, Pakistan, the Philippines, Poland, Romania, Thailand, Uzbekistan and Vietnam.

Admission to the Young Leaders Program requires a bachelor's degree or its equivalent from a recognized, accredited university of the highest standard as well as certifiable good health. The applicant should be under 40 years of age as of 1 October, 2012; should be proficient in English with a TOEFL-iBT score of 79, a TOEFL-CBT score of 213, or a TOEFL-PBT score of 550 or above and must be able to obtain a College Student visa prior to arrival in Japan.

Applicants are not eligible if they are unable to travel to Japan during the program dates. People who are active members of military forces or civilians employed by the military during any part of the scholarship period or who are enrolled in a Japanese university under College Student status or plan to enroll at a Japanese university as a privately financed international student between the time of application for the GRIPS scholarship and the time the scholarship period is due to commence are also ineligible. Loss of status as public administrator or government official before completion of the program will also render participants ineligible.

Admissions Timeline

| Previous Year | Year of Enrollment | | |
|--|---|---|--|
| 7-10 July – mid-October | 12-1 December – January | 2-3 February – March | 4 April |
| Obtain application form and submit completed application to the Japanese Embassy or "recommending authorities" | Document screening by GRIPS Admissions Office | Interviewing shortlisted candidates (in person or by telephone) | Final approval by MEXT and result notification |

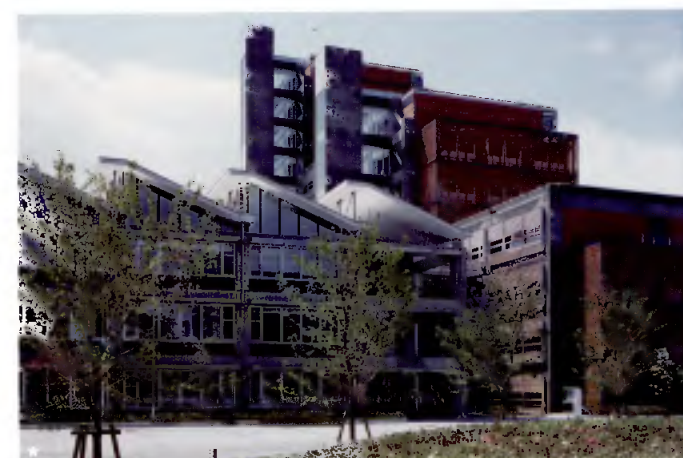
Scholarships

An allowance of 255,000 yen per month (in FY 2011; amount is subject to change) will be provided to grantees during the term of the scholarship. Grantees who are absent from the university for long periods will no longer be provided with the scholarship. Application, admission and tuition fees will be paid by the Japanese government. Round-trip economy-class air tickets between the student's home country and Japan will be provided.

Application procedures

Applicants should obtain an application form from the Japanese embassies or recommending authorities in the eligible countries (please check the GRIPS website for details about the recommending authorities in your country). Applicants must submit the following documentation in hard copy: application, essays, photographs, university transcript, university diploma, certificate of English proficiency, recommendation letter from the recommending authority, recommendation letter from the applicant's direct superior at work, certificate of health and a passport copy. The application deadline is usually around mid-October. Please check with the Japanese embassy for the exact date.

For details, please see
http://www.grips.ac.jp/pstudents/inter_programs/leader.html



5-9 May-September

10 October

Finalizing the admissions process and pre-departure preparation (visa application, accommodation etc.)

Arrival in Japan and start of the program

5 Alumni

One of the greatest resources and joys of studying at GRIPS is the diversity of the student community. The connections you make at GRIPS are a valuable part of your degree. The GRIPS Alumni Network will ensure they are lifetime bonds by keeping you in touch with fellow alumni and the school.

As a GRIPS graduate, you will join an impressive network of around 3,000 alumni - including some 250 from YLP - who are actively shaping future policies in more than 80 countries around the world. We offer a variety of ways to remain engaged with GRIPS and strengthen your ties with fellow alumni around the globe. These include alumni reunions, seminars, a searchable alumni directory and online networking opportunities utilizing social media such as Facebook and LinkedIn.

Number of YLP Alumni

| | | | | | | |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| P.R.China | South Korea | Indonesia | Malaysia | Philippines | Singapore | Thailand |
| 27 | 6 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 5 | 17 |
| Brunei | Vietnam | Laos | Myanmar | Cambodia | Mongolia | Kazakhstan |
| 1 | 4 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 7 | 10 |
| Kyrgyz Republic | Turkmenistan | Uzbekistan | Bangladesh | India | Pakistan | Sri Lanka |
| 7 | 0 | 15 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 3 |
| Australia | Hungary | Czech Republic | Slovakia | Bulgaria | Poland | Romania |
| 9 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 4 |
| Total 234 | | | | | | |



Alumni Voices



Anca Popa (Romania, 2010)

Attaché, Economic Diplomacy Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

"As a YLP student, I felt both challenged and privileged to be part of the GRIPS network. The academic excellence, the courses relevant to public policy and the unique opportunities to connect with the Japanese community leaders have enriched my knowledge and experience."



Almagul Zhumabekova (Kazakhstan, 2009)

Expert, National Bank of Kazakhstan

"Unlike most usual studies, my one year in Japan as a YLP student was very eventful and a truly unforgettable experience. Not just the lectures and colloquiums, but also the field trips, excursions and exchanges with fellow students from many different countries helped me to deepen my knowledge and understanding while gaining the tools to deal more effectively with public policy issues in an international environment."



Veronika Malatova (Czech Republic, 2007)

Head of Legal Service, Ministry of Finance

"Living in a foreign country that might be culturally, geographically and historically unfamiliar to you teaches you a lot about yourself, your skills and abilities. Besides studying, you will find some time to make new friends and to explore Japan's rich cultural heritage. Living in this cosmopolitan environment is a great opportunity and challenge that you should not miss."



Ahmad Rozian Abd. Ghani (Malaysia, 2004)

Undersecretary, Department of Information and Public Diplomacy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

"The intellectual discourses we had at GRIPS with professors and staff, guest speakers and fellow participants were diverse and interesting. Exchanges of views and experiences took place almost on a daily basis and the more you meet people, the more you learn."



Shavkat Inamov (Uzbekistan, 2004)

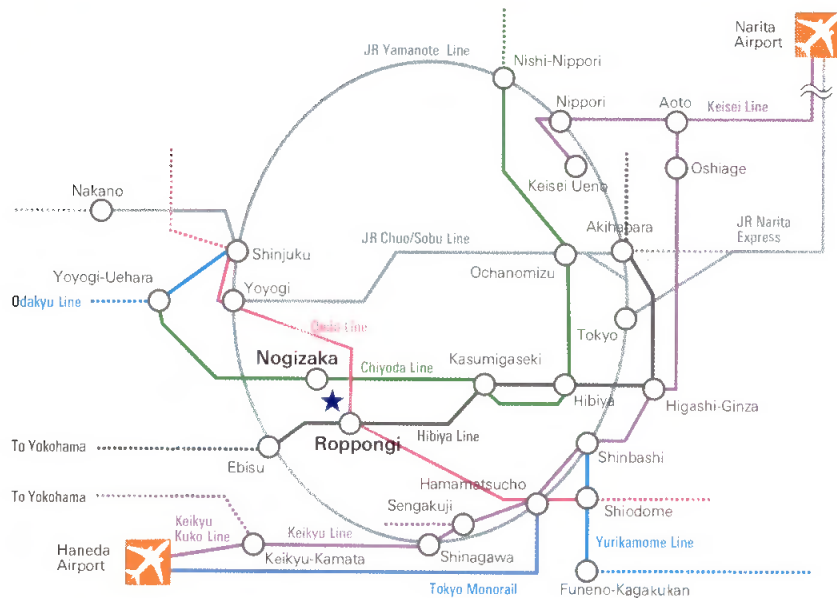
Joint Chief Executive Officer, Uzbekinvest International Insurance Company Ltd (UIIC) and Chartis Uzbekinvest Ltd, London

"Because of its specialization, high quality education and its amazing opportunities to meet with government officials from different ministries and local authorities, as well as top executives from world famous companies, YLP is an outstanding program. Studying at GRIPS also offers fantastic opportunities to make many friends worldwide, and the excellent location and facilities make it a great place for academic study."

Address and Contact Information

Getting to GRIPS

The GRIPS building is located in the center of Tokyo, conveniently accessible by public transport. Both Nogizaka Station on the Chiyoda Line and Roppongi Station on the Oedo and Hibiya Lines are within 10 minutes walking distance.



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**GUIDANCE
FOR
JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2012
YOUNG LEADERS' PROGRAM (YLP) STUDENT**

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I INFORMATION CONCERNING THE RECRUITMENT OF STUDENTS

1 Number of Participants

There are five different courses available to students, and each course will accept from 10 to 20 students at the maximum, and for a total of 60 students in a program.

2 Matters to be Attended for Eligibility and Application

a Applicants must have graduated a university with excellent grades and be eligible to study in Japan for one year.

b Applicants must meet all qualifications stated in the entrance requirements. Please observe the requirements strictly.

c **The number of students we allow into this program is kept down to a minimum. All candidates for this program will be evaluated relatively. Therefore, candidates who meet all qualifications still might not be selected (It is also possible that none of the candidates from your institution will be selected.). Take this point into consideration when recommending candidates.**

d Some students in the past gave up studying in the middle of the program due to mental and physical problems. Please take into consideration the fact that the environment of Japan might be different from that of the applicants home country. Therefore, the applicants medical examination records and records of previous illness must be carefully reviewed.

e Remember that the number of participants and treatment of the students could differ from this document due to Japanese financial difficulties.

f Military personnel and military civilian employees registered on the active list are excluded from participation.

3 Notice Period and Method

Each institution can decide how to notify students about recruitment for this Scholarship. However, recruitment must be done in an effective way in order to guarantee that outstanding students are selected.

Application materials may be mailed from the Embassy of Japan, or can be downloaded from the English website of MEXT (<http://www.mext.go.jp/english/highered/1304786/htm>).

In addition, applicants should be notified to seek information about the accepting universities through their brochures or homepages (See the application material for the URL).

4 Acceptance of Application Forms

Applicants must observe the application period strictly and submit the necessary number of documents (including copies of documents.). It must be verified whether or not all applications are completed fully and correctly and if they lack any necessary documents. Students will be asked to make corrections on their application if problems are found. After corrections are made, the forms will, once again, be accepted. The following matters concerning acceptance need to be considered;

(1) The language used and the attached translation

Documents must be written in English. Attach an English translation if they are written in another language.

(2) Applications

a Each year's prescribed forms must be used to apply. Fill out the forms clearly (especially applicants name) and put each application form and all other necessary documents in an envelope which is designated by MEXT.

b Academic Record In the spaces designated for:

- 1) elementary education
- 2) secondary education
- 3) higher education

Please write the names of the schools or institutions that you attended which correspond to the Japanese education system of: 1) elementary school
2) junior/senior school
3) undergraduate/graduate university

* Caution: Write the exact number of years which the applicant was enrolled in each institution. If an applicant skipped a year in any schools or institution, it must be mentioned.

(3) Reasons for applying and future plans

The essay concerning the applicants reason for applying as well as future plan after the completion of YLP must be explained concretely and specifically within three pages or so.

(4) Transcript of last attended institution

A transcript of all credited courses taken every year in the students undergraduate or graduate university is necessary (Neither a certificate of degree nor a diploma showing what ranking the student received when the applicant graduated will be considered as a transcript. The system of grading/evaluation should be clearly written out on the transcript.).

(5) Certificate of graduation (Attach an English translation)

Any of the following can be submitted: A certificate of graduation of the last attended institution, a certificate of university entrance qualification (For example a certificate showing you took the High School Equivalency Exam) and a certificate of degree (can be a copy of diploma).

(6) Medical certificate

Students must use the designated form and fill out (or have the doctor fill out) all that is required. Recommending institutions must assign medical institutions for the physical examination.

Regarding previous illness, for example tuberculosis, mental disease, etc., please pay attention to the fact that some students become sick after coming to Japan even though they didn't state any problems beforehand. Consider this point carefully when recommending institutions interview applicants. If candidates are disabled and need special care, it must be mentioned in the recommendation letter.

(7) Incomplete application forms

Application forms which are not completed fully and correctly or that are lacking necessary documents will not be accepted.

If applicants cannot get the necessary documents because of their countries condition: certificates confirmed by the issuing authority, the government in their home country, or Embassy of Japan can be used instead.

5 Conditions for Recruitment

Applicants must follow all application requirements. Personal exceptions will not be admitted.

6 Applicants Staying in Japan

Applicants residing in their own country have first priority. However, if a student is already staying in Japan for some reason (except for those studying in Japan privately) and wishes to apply to this program, the applicant can be included if the recommending institution decides to choose the applicant as a candidate.

7 Applicant Who Has Already Been to Japan

Applicants who have been to Japan and caused problems in the past should not be recommended as candidates.

II SELECTION OUTLINE

The candidates who will be recommended to MEXT through Embassy of Japan and the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs should be selected by the following method;

1 Method of Screening

Each recommending institution can choose the candidates freely but must examine accurately each applicants English ability, personality, reasons for applying, etc.

2 Criteria for Selection

Candidates must meet the following criteria along with the required qualifications.

- a Candidates must have excellent grades and have the ability to study in their desired field.
- b Candidates must be physically and mentally healthy.
(The students who had developed mental problems, malaria, tuberculosis, diabetes, hepatitis, etc., after coming to Japan have usually suffered from the same disease in the past. Please take this into consideration.)
- c Candidates must have a verifiable identity.
- d Candidates must be able to easily adapt to a new environment and a different culture.
- e Candidates must have a rich international cultural understanding.
- f Candidates must not have Japanese nationality and dual nationality between his/her country and Japan.
- g Candidates must not be military personnel or military civilian employees.

Do not recommend students who meet the following criteria;

- Students who are already enrolled in a Japanese university privately.
- Students who will obviously have difficulty in continuing their studies for a certain period of time after coming to Japan (For example, those who have to do military service, those who are pregnant, etc.).

III RECOMMENDATION OUTLINE

Applicants personality, learning ability, eagerness to study in Japan and learn Japanese, experience of studying abroad, etc., should be written in the recommendation letter in detail by each recommending institution.

Recommending institutions must submit all the necessary documents to MEXT through Embassy of Japan and the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The following is a list of the necessary documents:

| Necessary Documents | | Number of Sets |
|---|--|---|
| ① Application for Admission (Prescribed Forms) | | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies (Except Photographs) |
| Photographs (taken within the past 6 months, 6 x 4 cm, the upper half of the body, the front side, no hats) | | 5 Pictures (Paste on Each Application) |
| ② Transcript (of All Years) of the Institution Last Attended | | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ③ Recommendation Letters | One Written by the Recommending Authority | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| | One Written by the Employer or from the Supervising Professor of the University the Applicant Attended | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ④ Medical Certificate | | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ⑤ Certificate of the University Last Attended or a Copy of the Applicants Diploma | | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ⑥ An Essay Explaining the Applicant's Reason for Applying and Future Plans after the Completion of YLP | | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |

| | |
|--|------------------------------|
| ⑦ A Copy of Family Register or Certificate of Citizenship | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ⑧ A Copy of Passport | 5 Photocopies |
| ⑨ English Proficiency Certificate | 5 Photocopies |
| ⑩ Reply to the Essay Questionnaire | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ⑩ Report of Theme and Background for the Preparation of Research Paper (Only Applicable to the Medical Administration Course) | 1 Original and 4 Photocopies |
| ⑪ Score of GMAT or Certificate of Equivalent Examination (Only Applicable to the Business Administration Course arbitrary is submitted.) | 5 Photocopies |

* Caution:

- 1 These documents must be written in English or attach an English translation.
- 2 Insert all necessary documents of the application forms with photographs. Use one envelope designated by MEXT for each candidate. Insert copies of the proof certificate with the original copies of necessary documents in one application form.
- 3 **In the application material, candidates are requested to number the documents in the right upper corner. In case this is not done by the candidate, the recommending institution should number the document accordingly.**

Deadline of recommendation

The nomination of candidates to MEXT should be made by the recommending institution before the date that will be specified by the Embassy of Japan. It is the responsibility of the recommending institution to ensure that all necessary documents listed above are provided.

It is preferred that all the necessary documents for every candidate are submitted to the Embassy of Japan all together. In case part of the necessary documents are lacking for a candidate, and that need to be submitted later, make sure to confirm the deadline with the diplomatic mission. If the document is not submitted by the deadline, or cannot be expected to be ready, the case will be treated as inaccepted (not possible to nominate).

IV SELECTION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULT

1 The First Screening

The candidates who are recommended by each recommending institution are selected by the accepting institution. The selection will be based on the submitted documents and an interview will be held in the home country. If a person to person interview is impossible, it will be conducted by telephone. Accepting institutions will recommend candidates to the YLP committee established in MEXT, based on the results of the first selection.

2 The Second Screening

The YLP committee conducts the second selection.

3 Announcement of Results

The result of the second selection will be notified to each recommending institution through Embassy of Japan and the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

4 No Change of Assigned University

A change of the assigned university will not be permitted. This must be explained in the result notification and during the orientation to all candidates.

5 Waiting List

When the number of successful candidates is less than the fixed number because of declination etc., it

is possible to select from fill-in successful candidates who were beforehand selected at the second screening of the YLP committee.

However, please note that the YLP committee will not choose any more candidates as alternates after the second screening.

V PROCEDURES AFTER SELECTION

Many cases have occurred which selected students caused several problems after coming to Japan because of the lack of procedure knowledge or misunderstandings. Consider the following points:

1 Visa

Japanese Government Scholarship student must obtain a visa of College Student in their own country based on the instruction of the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

2 Airline Ticket

(1) Each grantee will be provided, according to his/her itinerary and route as designated by MEXT, with an economy class air ticket from the international airport closest to his/her place of residence to Narita International Airport (or following the itinerary normally used by the university where the grantee is placed). A change in the departing airport due to a change of address will not be permitted.

(2) The airline ticket sent by MEXT has a fixed date and flight number. Visiting relatives or friends, sightseeing, research or visits for study, etc., on the way to Japan is not permitted.

(3) The departure date and flight is fixed due to the hotels at a stopover location, flight transfer circumstances, arrival procedures, and residency arrangements.. Therefore, changes of the ticket date made by the applicant in the home country will not be permitted.

(4) The airline ticket sent by MEXT to the grantee cannot be transferred to another person, nor can it be exchanged for money. Furthermore, MEXT is only responsible to supplying grantees with an airline ticket and will not pay for costs associated with excess baggages, airport taxes or insurance fees.

(5) A ticket will only be provided for the grantee. Family members or so who will accompany the grantee to Japan will not receive any funding.

3 Changes in the Date of Departure

(1) The flight fee will not be covered for any grantee who wishes to come before the designated date by MEXT without permission from the Ministry. There will be no refund after arrival. In such case the grantee will not be considered as a student of this program. **Therefore, if students do come before the appointed date, the traveling arrangements, the entrance procedures and the living arrangements after arrival (all necessary procedures) will be the grantees responsibility.**

(2) Departure date and flight changes will not be accepted. However, if any change is required due to personal illness, contact MEXT through Embassy of Japan. In such a case, the grantee must wait the MEXT's contact after all procedures including residence, etc., are fully prepared. In Japan, all courses will begin right after the arrival date. In case of any arrival delay, the applicants acceptance to this program might be revoked.

(3) If the travel agency demands payment for the difference of flight fee due to any departure or flight changes and if the grantee paid at the moment of departure, no refund will be given after arrival. Therefore, when any changes occur, always contact Japan to find out the necessary procedures before departure.

4 Withdrawal or Revocation of Acceptance

(1) If a grantee cannot arrive within the designated arrival period, it will be a great hindrance to the grantees education at the university as well as the research program. Therefore, the acceptance to this program will be revoked.

(2) If a grantee withdraws from the program after receiving the airline ticket, MEXT will collect it

through the travel agency.

(3) **If recommending institutions send many grantees who withdraw from this program or return to their home country due to personal reasons in the middle of the program, the institutions participation itself will be reconsidered. Therefore, when recommending applicants, make sure applicants will not withdraw from this program for any reason.**

5 Students Accompanied by Family Members

(1) If a grantee wishes to be accompanied by their spouse or any family member, they must contact the educational institution before departure. When the spouse will come together with the grantee, it must be informed that there will be no increase of the scholarship and traveling fee.

(2) All entrance procedures for the spouse will be completely different from the those of the grantee. Therefore, make sure to obtain a visa for the spouse before departure.

6 Guidance before Departure Date

(1) All grantees studying abroad should research their foreign universities (partner university) education system. Grantees should also learn basic Japanese language necessary for daily life, Japanese climate, legal system and culture before departure.

(2) All grantees studying abroad should prepare appropriately \$1,500 US for living expenses for the time being.

(3) If any personal problems occur after arrival, such matters should always be discussed with their supervising professors first and then the Foreign Exchange Office at the university should be contacted to.

(4) **Recently, there are many students who return to their home country without permission. Some must return due to mental problems. A thorough interview and instruction before departure is very important to prevent this from happening. However, if this happens due to an accident while studying abroad, contacts are made to family members of the student and appropriate authorities in their home country based on the directions from Japan. All problems will be dealt with by having a close contact between Japan and the home country. All conditions and results concerning such matters should be reported.**

(5) The JASSO provides a general complimentary pamphlet "Student Guide to Japan."

(http://www.jasso.go.jp/study_j/sgtj.html)

VI YEAR-LONG SCHEDULE

2011

Late June. Sending of Application Forms
By Oct.31th Recommendation of Candidates by Recommending Institution,
 Documents to be Submitted
Early Nov. The First Screening by Accepting Institutions

2012

Feb. The Second Screening (Conducted by the YLP Committee in MEXT)
March. Announcement of Results
Aug.-Sept. Airline Tickets to be Sent
Sept.-Oct. Students Come to Japan

* Caution: This schedule is preliminary. Detailed schedules will be announced separately through the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Embassy of Japan.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2012
YOUNG LEADERS' PROGRAM (YLP) STUDENT (SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT)

I OUTLINE

1. Objectives

The Young Leaders' Program (YLP) aims to cultivate national leaders of the future in Asia and around the world. In addition, while enhancing the participants' understanding about Japan, it should help form a network among national leaders, contributing to the establishment of friendly relations and improved policy planning activities between worldwide, including Japan.

The YLP is one of the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT*) Scholarship Student systems.

*MEXT = Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

2. Eligible Countries and Participants

Participants are selected from the countries listed below. They should be young public administrators and government officials who are expected to play active roles in the future as national leaders in their home countries.

Eligible Countries:

P. R. China, Rep. of Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Brunei Darussalam, Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar, Cambodia, Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Australia, Hungary, Czech, Slovakia, Poland, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey
(29 Countries)

3. Host University

National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)

4. Number of Students

Approximately 20 students

5. Recruitment and Selection

(1) Method of Recruitment

Recruitment will be conducted through the recommending authorities of each eligible country. Please ask the Japanese Embassy for further information.

(2) Screening Procedure

- ① First screening by the recommending authorities
- ② Second screening by GRIPS
- ③ Final screening by the YLP committee organized by MEXT

6. Curriculum (Please refer to the "Curriculum Guidelines" on pages 6 and 7.)

(1) Basic Concepts

The curriculum is designed to train and cultivate national leaders in their respective fields of government, who are seeking to take advantage of Japan's experiences of interaction with both Western and Asian countries and also to establish a human network through various activities, such as special lectures, colloquium, independent study, field trips, etc.

(2) Course Duration and Qualification

Course duration is one year, resulting in the conferral of a Master's Degree in Public Administration/Public Policy by GRIPS.

(3) Language

All lectures are conducted in English.

7. Commencement of the Program

October 2012

II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

MEXT will offer scholarships to foreign students who wish to study at GRIPS as YLP students in public administration/public policy for the academic year 2012 under the MEXT Scholarship Program. The conditions are as follows:

1. Field of Study

Public Administration/Public Policy

2. Qualifications

- (1) Nationality: Applicants must be nationals of countries eligible for the YLP (School of Government).
- (2) Age: Applicants must be, in principle, under 40 years of age, as at 1 October, 2012 (i.e. born on or after 2 October 1972).
- (3) Academic Background: Applicants must hold a Bachelor's degree or equivalent from a recognized/accredited university or college, and have achieved shown excellent academic performance.
- (4) Work Experience: At least 3 years of work experience in public administration (preferably 5 years or more).
- (5) English Proficiency: A minimum TOEFL-iBT score of 79 (TOEFL-CBT score of 213, TOEFL-PBT score of 550) or equivalent.
- (6) Health: Applicants must be in good health.
- (7) Visa Requirement: Selected Applicants must obtain a "College Student" visa prior to their arrival in Japan. Applicants who are already in Japan under a different visa category are required to change it to "College Student" by the end of the month preceding the start of the scholarship. Applicants who change their resident status to anything other than "College Student" following their arrival in Japan will immediately lose their status as a Japanese government scholarship student.
- (8) Applicants who meet any or all of the conditions below are not eligible. If identified as such after commencement of the scholarship period, applicants will be required to withdraw from the scholarship:
 - ① Active members of military forces, or civilians employed by military forces at the time that the scholarship period is scheduled to commence.
 - ② Unable to travel to Japan within dates set by the receiving university.
 - ③ Already enrolled in a Japanese university under "College Student" status, or plans to enroll at a Japanese university as a privately-financed international student, between the time of application for the GRIPS scholarship and the time the scholarship period is due to commence.
 - ④ Those who will lose their status as public administrators or government officials following the time of application or before completion of the program.

3. Term of Scholarship

One year, from October 2012 to September 2013

4. Scholarship Benefits

- (1) Allowance: 255,000 yen per month (in FY 2011; amount is subject to change) will be provided to grantees during the term of the scholarship. Grantees who are absent from the university for long periods, will no longer be provided with the scholarship.

Scholarships will be cancelled in the event of any of the cases below. Furthermore, if scholarship payments were made during the period that such conditions applied, grantees may be ordered to return any scholarship payments received during said period.

- ① If application documents are found to contain falsehoods;
- ② If pledges made to the Minister of MONBUKAGAKUSHO (MEXT) are breached;
- ③ If poor academic performance or suspension guarantees that the grantee will be unable to complete the course within the standard term;
- ④ If "College Student" resident status, as provided for in Paragraph 1-4 of Appendix to the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act, changes to any other status;

- ⑤ If grantee is provided with another scholarship (excluding scholarships designated for research expenses); and
- ⑥ If grantee's government and/or other state institutions request such cancellation.

(2) Travel Allowance:

- ① Transportation to Japan: Grantees will be provided, in accordance with their itinerary and route as designated by MEXT, with an economy class air ticket from the international airport closest to their place of residence to Narita International Airport (or following the itinerary normally used by the university where grantees are placed). Expenses such as inland transportation from place of residence to the nearest international airport; airport taxes; airport usage charges; special taxes on overseas travel; and travel expenses within Japan will be borne by the grantee (in principle, the grantee's place of residence shall be the address stated in the application form).
- ② Transportation from Japan: Grantees who return to their home country within the fixed period following the expiration of the scholarship will be provided, upon application, with an economy class air ticket from New Tokyo International Airport to the international airport nearest to their home address. Expenses such as inland transportation from their home address to the international airport, airport taxes, and special travel taxes will NOT be provided (in principle, the address in the grantee's home country as stated in the application is considered the "home address").
 - * Grantees must arrange any aviation and/or accident insurance to and from Japan on their own. The airport that the grantee departs from, or returns to, must be an airport in their home country.

(3) Tuition Fees: Fees for matriculation, tuition, and university entrance examinations will be paid by the Japanese government.

(4) Accommodations:

- ① If grantees so desire, they may reside at accommodations provided by GRIPS. However, some of these facilities may not be able to accommodate all grantees, due to limitations in room availability.
- ② Private Boarding Houses or Apartment Houses:
Those who do not accommodate in the facilities described above will be arranged at private boarding houses or apartments recommended by the GRIPS Student Office.

5. Selection

- (1) Initial screening will be conducted by the recommending authorities in applicant's home country.
- (2) Second screening by means of an interview and review of submitted documents will be conducted by GRIPS. If it is difficult to arrange an interview in the applicant's home country, the interview may be conducted by telephone or webcam.
- (3) The list of final selections by GRIPS will be submitted to the YLP committee organized by MEXT for final approval.

6. Education at GRIPS

All lectures and practical training are conducted in English.

7. Application Procedure

Applicants must submit the following documents to their recommending authorities by the designated date. Documents submitted will not be returned.

| | Item | Number of Originals | Number of Photocopies | Remarks |
|-----|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|
| (1) | ①Application for Admission | 1 | 4 | prescribed form |
| (2) | Photographs | 5 | — | 6 x 4 cm, taken within the past 6 months, should be affixed to each of the 5 application forms |

| | | | | |
|------|--|---|---|--|
| (3) | ② Official transcripts or official copies of transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate schools previously attended | 1 | 4 | An official copy means a certified true copy of the original document with an official seal obtained from the administration office of the school attended. Copies attested by organizations/persons not having notary/legal functions will not be accepted. |
| (4) | ③ Recommendation Letter from the recommending authority | 1 | 4 | |
| (5) | ③ Recommendation Letter from the applicant's direct superior at work | 1 | 4 | Prescribed form |
| | ③ Recommendation Letter from the applicant's superior at work, or supervising professor of the university | 1 | 4 | |
| (6) | ④ Certificate of Health | 1 | 4 | prescribed form, to be issued by the medical institution designated by Japanese Embassy; all items must be completed, and all comments must be written in English in block letters |
| (7) | ⑤ Official copies of diplomas or degree certificates from all undergraduate and graduate schools previously attended | 1 | 4 | An official copy means a certified true copy of the original document with an official seal obtained from the administration office of the school attended. Copies attested by organizations/persons not having notary/legal functions will not be accepted. |
| (8) | ⑥ Essay explaining applicant's aspirations and future plans following program completion | 1 | 4 | 3-page essay describing the applicant's reason/motivation for applying; future plans and expectations from the program as well as future career goals |
| (9) | ⑦ Certificate of Citizenship | 1 | 4 | any of these |
| | ⑦ Family Register | 1 | 4 | |
| | ⑧ Copy of the Passport | — | 5 | |
| (10) | ⑨ English Proficiency Certificate | — | 5 | TOEFL/IELTS or other equivalent test score. Native speakers of English (applicants from the Philippines, Singapore, and Australia) are exempted from this requirement. |
| (11) | ⑩ Answer to the Essay Questions | 1 | 4 | |

*Attention

- ① All documents must be of uniform size (297 x 210 mm; JIS A4 size); and all forms must be typewritten if possible, or neatly handwritten in block letters.
- ② Documents must be written in English. Attach a certified English translation if not written in English.
- ③ Two letters of recommendation must be submitted. At least one must be from the applicant's immediate workplace superior.
- ④ Applications will not be accepted if they are not fully and correctly completed, or if they lack necessary documents.
- ⑤ Number the documents from ① to ⑩ in the right upper corner.

8. Notes

- (1) For more detailed information on the YLP scholarship program, please contact the corresponding office at the Japanese Embassy in your home country.

- (2) Recipient are advised to learn the Japanese language and familiarize themselves with Japanese weather/climate, customs, university education, and conditions, as well as about differences between the Japanese legal system and that of their home country before departing for Japan.
- (3) It is highly recommended for grantees to bring at least US\$1,500 or the equivalent to cover their immediate needs upon arrival in Japan.

Young Leaders' Program (School of Government)
Curriculum Guidelines

I Basic Concepts

1. Each subject will deal with theories based not only on the experiences of the so-called modern Western World, but also on those concerned with the historical experiences of Japan and other non-Western countries. While analyzing commonalities in the modernization process along with its various possibilities, the courses seek to find the most desirable method for each country's modernization. (Comparative Approach)
2. Through modernization, our thoughts and ideas undergo deep transformations. However, the curriculum will not be concerned with modern ideas alone, but will also incorporate basic premises from the classical civilizations and ideas of the great thinkers. (Emphasis on liberal arts education aiming at self-relativization and critical thinking)
3. Going beyond instruction that is related to skills and knowledge, the curriculum will emphasize the fostering of students' ideas; identifying problems; and developing the ability to arrive at their own solutions. (Emphasis on discussion and self-study)
4. Through encounters with leading figures from all areas (including other promising young students), the curriculum aims to create human networks and further understanding about Japan.
5. By offering a broad range of courses, the curriculum encourages students to establish policymaking abilities required of national leaders who are knowledgeable in a broad range of areas.

II Students

The course is designed for young public administrators and government officials, who are expected to play active roles in Asia and Central Europe as future national leaders.

III Courses (in alphabetical order; courses offered are subject to change)

1. Required Courses (6 credits)
 - Economic Development of Japan
 - Global Governance: Leadership & Negotiation
 - Introduction to Japan
2. Core Elective Courses (At least 6 credits)
 - Comparative Politics
 - Contemporary Japanese Economy
 - Economic Development of Japan
 - Government and Politics in Japan
 - Introduction to International Political Economy
 - Introduction to International Relations
 - International Security Studies
 - Introductory Microeconomics
 - Japanese Economy
 - Microeconomics I
 - Structure and Process of Government
3. Recommended Courses (Credits for the graduation requirement)
 - Development Economics
 - Government and Market
 - Innovation, Sustainability and Uncertainty
 - International Trade

- Japanese Development Cooperation
- Japanese Financial System
- Japan's ODA: Its policies and reform agenda
- Local Governance in the Changing World
- Local Government Finance
- Local Government System
- Macroeconomics 1
- National Security Policy
- Public Economics
- Social Science Questions and Methodologies

4. Colloquium (2 credits) (Required Course)

This course will provide an opportunity to listen and discuss various issues with young government leaders and frontrunners in various fields. The colloquia will be organized five times in each of the fall and spring terms.

5. Independent Study (6 credits) (Required Course)

Students will produce a research paper on a topic of their choice, under the guidance of designated advisors. Students are allowed to conduct related fieldworks upon request.

6. Field Trip (2 credits) (Required Course)

Field Trips to a variety of places, such as regional offices of the central government, local governments, industrial facilities, historical heritage, and cultural assets in the different regions of Japan will be arranged during the fall and spring terms.

7. Other Educational Activities

Japanese Language Class

All lectures are conducted in English, making it unnecessary for students to master Japanese. However, Japanese language courses will be offered to students who wish to further their knowledge of Japanese language and culture.

IV Further information

For more information on GRIPS, please visit: <http://www.grips.ac.jp/>

日本政府（文部科学省）奨学金留学生申請書

Young Leaders' Program Student for 2012 (School of Government)
 ヤング・リーダーズ・プログラム留学生（行政コース）

INSTRUCTIONS (記入上の注意)

- The application must be typewritten if possible, or neatly handwritten in block letters. (明瞭に記入すること。)
 - Numbers should be in Arabic figures. (数字は算用数字を用いること。)
 - Year should be written in the Anno Domini system. (年号はすべて西暦とすること。)
 - Proper nouns should be written in full, and not be abbreviated. (固有名詞はすべて正式な名称とし、一切省略しないこと。)
- *Personal data entered in this application will only be used for scholarship selection purposes, and contact information such as e-mail addresses will only be used for forming related human networks after the student returns home and for sending of information by the Japanese Government.
 (本申請書に記載された個人情報については、本奨学金の選考のために使用するほかは、特にE-mail アドレス等の連絡先については、帰国後における関係者のネットワークを作ることに、及び必要に応じて日本政府より各種情報を送信する以外には使用しない。)

1. Name in full in your native language (姓名(自国語)) (Sex)
 Male (男)
 Female (女)

_____, _____, _____
 (Family Name/Surname) (First Name) (Middle Name)

In Roman Block Capital Letters (if written in the passport, follow that form) (Marital Status)
 (ローマ字、パスポート表記がある場合は、それに合わせることに)
 Single (未婚)
 Married (既婚)

_____, _____, _____
 (Family Name/Surname) (First Name) (Middle Name)

2. Nationality (国籍) 2-2. Possession of Japanese nationality (日本国籍を有する者) Yes, I have. (はい)
 No, I don't have. (いいえ)

3. Date of Birth (生年月日)

19____
 Year (年) Month (月) Day (日) Age (年齢) : as of October 1, 2012
 (2012年10月1日現在の年齢)

Paste your photograph taken within the past 6 months. Write your name and nationality in block letters on the back of the photo.

(写真(6×4cm))

4. Present status: with the name of the university enrolled, or of employer (現職(在学大学名又は勤務先名まで記入すること。))及びその電話番号、ファックス番号又はEメールアドレス

| Present Position | Division/Section | Organization |
|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Phone _____ | Fax _____ | E-mail _____ |

5. Present home address and telephone number, facsimile number, E-mail address (現住所及び電話番号、ファックス番号又はEメールアドレス)

| Address | | |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Phone _____ | Fax _____ | E-mail _____ |

* If possible, write an E-mail address where you can be contacted for periods that include the time before you come to Japan, your stay in Japan and the period after you return home.
 (可能な限り、渡日前～日本留学中～帰国後にわたり使い続けることが予想されるEメールアドレスを記入すること。)

6. Field of Study Specialized in the Past (Be as detailed and concrete as possible.)
(過去に専攻した専門分野 (できるだけ具体的に詳細に書くこと。))

7. Educational Background (学歴)

| | | Name and Location of School (学校名及び所在地) | Year and Month of Enrollment and Graduation (入学及び卒業年月) | Period of Schooling Attended (修学年数) | Diploma or Degree Awarded, Major Subject (学位・資格, 専攻科目) |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Elementary Education (初等教育) | | Name (学校名) | From (入学) | years (年) | |
| Elementary School (小学校) | | Location: City, Country (所在地: 都市、国) | To (卒業) | and months (月) | |
| Secondary Education (中等教育) | Lower Secondary School (中学) | Name (学校名) Location: City, Country (所在地: 都市、国) | From (入学) To (卒業) | years (年) and months (月) | |
| | Upper Secondary School (高校) | Name (学校名) Location: City, Country (所在地: 都市、国) | From (入学) To (卒業) | years (年) and months (月) | |
| Higher Education (高等教育) | Undergraduate Level (大学) | Name (学校名) Location: City, Country (所在地: 都市、国) | From (入学) To (卒業) | years (年) and months (月) | * 1 |
| | Graduate Level (大学院) | Name (学校名) Location: City, Country (所在地: 都市、国) | From (入学) To (卒業) | years (年) and months (月) | |
| Total Years of Schooling Mentioned above (以上を通算した全学校教育修学年数) | | | | years (年) | |

*If the blank spaces above are not sufficient for information required, please attach a separate sheet.
(注) 上欄に書ききれない場合には、適当な別紙に記入して添付すること。)

- Notes: 1. Exclude kindergarden and/or nursery school education. (幼稚園・保育所教育は含まれない。)
2. Preparatory education for university admission is included in upper secondary school. (いわゆる「大学予備教育」は中等教育に含まれる。)
3. If the applicant has passed the university entrance qualification examination, indicate this in the blank with *-1. (大学入学資格試験に合格している場合には、その旨を* 1欄に記入すること。)
4. Any school years or levels skipped should be indicated in the fourth column (Diploma or Degree awarded, Major Subject, Skipped years and levels). (Example: Graduated high school in two years, etc.)
(いわゆる「飛び級」をしている場合には、その旨を該当する教育課程の「学位・資格, 専攻科目, 飛び級の状況」欄に記載すること。
(例: 高校を飛び級により2年で卒業))

8. Employment Record (in the last two positions) (職歴：過去の役職から2つ記入すること)

| Name and Location of Organization (勤務先及び所在地) | Division/Section (部署名) | Position (役職名) | Work Experience (職務内容) | Period of Employment (勤務期間) |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Present occupation: To be shown in the former page (現職：前のページに表記済) | | | | From To |
| | | | | From To |
| | | | | From To |

9. State the titles or subjects of books or papers (including graduation thesis authored by applicant), if any, with the name and address of publisher and the date of publication: Summary of the papers should be accompanied.
(著書、論文(卒業論文を含む。)があればその題名、出版社名、出版年月日、出版場所を記入し、又、論文の概要を添付すること。)

10. Extracurricular and Regional Activities (課外活動又は地域社会での活動)

| Extracurricular and Regional Activities (課外活動又は地域社会での活動) | Period (期間) |
|---|----------------|
| | |

11. English Proficiency: Report your score of TOEFL or IELTS. (英語能力：TOEFL又はIELTSのスコアを記入すること。)

Score of TOEFL
(TOEFLのスコア)

Score of IELTS
(IELTSのスコア)

(iBT/CBT/PBT) or _____

12. Accompanying Dependents : Provide the following information if you plan to bring any family members to Japan.

(同伴家族欄 (日本に同伴する予定の家族がいる場合に記入すること。))

* All expenses incurred by the presence of dependents must be paid by the grantee.

(注) なお同作者に必要な経費はすべて自己負担である。

| Name (氏名) | Relationship (続柄) | Age (年齢) |
|--------------|----------------------|-------------|
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13. Is there anyone in your family who has been awarded or is applying for a Japanese Government (MONBUCAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship?

If yes, please fill in the blanks below. (家族の中に国費外国人留学生に採用されている者、もしくは申請中の者があるか。もし、あるならば、下欄に記入すること。)

Name _____ (awarded/applying)
(氏名) _____ (採用/申請中)
Relationship _____
(本人との関係) _____

14. Have you been awarded a Japanese Government (MONBUCAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship in the past? If yes, please fill in the blanks below.

(過去に国費外国人留学生に採用されたことがあるか。もし、あるならば、下欄に記入すること。)

Period _____
(期間) _____
University _____
(大学) _____

15. Person to be notified in applicant's home country, in case of emergency:

(緊急の際の母国連絡先)

i) Name in Full _____
(氏名) _____
ii) Address _____
(住所) _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____
iii) Occupation _____
(職業) _____
iv) Relationship _____
(本人との関係) _____

I understand and accept all the matters stated in the Application for Japanese Government (MONBUCAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship for 2012, and hereby apply for this scholarship.

(私は2012年度日本政府(文部科学省)奨学金留学生募集要項に記載されている事項をすべて了解して申請します。)

Date of Application
(申請年月日) _____
Applicant's Signature
(申請者署名) _____
Applicant's Name
(in Roman Block Capitals)
(申請者氏名) _____

Essay Questions

The following essay questions will provide us with more information about you and your reasons for applying to the Young Leaders' Program.

Your essays must be typed. Please use A4-size paper or 8 1/2" × 11" paper. Limit your responses to the maximum number of words designated for each question. Use standard double-spaced lines. Your name should appear at the top of each separate sheet of paper. The number of the essay question should precede every essay. Staple the essays together and submit them with the other application materials.

1. What are your most significant accomplishments, activities, and life experiences to date? Please emphasize the events which highlight your unique abilities and personality. (maximum 500 words)
2. What is your leadership philosophy? Describe key individuals and/or experiences that shaped your philosophy. Also describe how mistakes by you or others influenced your thinking. (maximum 500 words)

Supplemental Question

3. How did you become interested in the Young Leaders' Program? Please list specific information sources such as publications, alumni, faculty, and websites. (maximum 200 words)

Recommendation Form

To the Applicant

Please complete only the top portion of this form. Your recommender should complete the rest of the form.

Your Name (Family) (Given) (Middle)

To the Recommender

The person whose name appears above is applying for admission to the Young Leaders' Program.

Please provide your recommendation on your own letterhead or stationery. The Admissions Committee values the recommender's direct contact with the candidate. In your letter, please answer the following questions as candidly and specifically as possible:

Please return this form and your recommendation to the applicant in a sealed envelope, with your signature across the seal. The applicant will submit the sealed, signed envelope to us as part of the completed application package.

The Admissions Committee is aware of the time and care necessary to prepare this form. We gratefully acknowledge your help.

Note: If you recommend the applicant for the Business Administration Course, you need not answer the questions marked with *.

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant ?

2. How often have you observed the applicant? (Please tick one box)

- every day 3 or 4 times a week 1 or 2 times a week 1 or 2 times a month
- less than once a month

3. Please provide a short list of specific activities which demonstrate the applicant's salient talents and strength, e.g., leadership, creativity.

*4. Please discuss observations you have made concerning the applicant's leadership abilities.
(Please tell the reason to judge that the applicant has a possibility to be a leader in your home country.)

5. Please discuss observations you have made concerning the applicant's interpersonal skills.

*6. Please discuss observations you have made concerning the applicant's innovative/creative capabilities.

*9. Please write if you have any comment.

Please provide telephone numbers should the Admissions Committee feel a need to contact you regarding the reference.

Business Telephone Number _____

Home Telephone Number _____

Recommender's Signature _____

Recommender's Name (please print) _____ Date _____

Position or Title _____ Organization _____

Business Address: _____

Home Address: _____

健康診断書

CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH (to be completed by the examining physician)

日本語又は英語により明瞭に記載すること。

Please fill out (PRINT/TYPER) in Japanese or English. Do not leave any items blank.

氏名 Name: _____
 男 Male 生年月日 Date of Birth: _____ 年齢 Age: _____
 女 Female

Family name, First name Middle name

1. 身体検査
Physical Examinations

1) 身長 Height _____ cm 体重 Weight _____ kg

2) 血圧 Blood pressure _____ mm/Hg ~ _____ mm/Hg 血液型 Blood Type

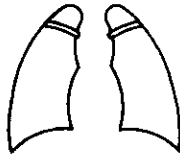
| | | |
|-----|----|---|
| ABO | RH | + |
|-----|----|---|

脈拍数 Pulse Rate _____ /min 整 regular
 不整 irregular

3) 視力 Eyesight: (R) _____ (L) _____
 裸眼 without glasses 矯正 with glasses or contact lenses

4) 聴力 Hearing: 正常 normal 言語 speech: 正常 normal
 低下 impaired 異常 impaired

2. 申請者の胸部について、聴診とX線検査の結果を記入してください。X線検査の日付も記入すること（6ヶ月以上前の検査は無効）
 Please describe the results of physical and X-ray examinations of applicant's chest x-ray (X-ray taken more than 6 months prior to the certification is NOT valid).



肺 lung: 正常 normal Date _____
 異常 impaired Film No. _____

心臓 Cardiomegaly: 正常 normal
 異常 impaired

異常がある場合 心電図
 If impaired: Electrocardiograph
 正常 normal 異常 impaired

Describe the condition of applicant's lung.

3. 現在治療中の病気 Disease Treated at Present: Yes (Disease: _____)
 No

4. 既往症 Past history: Please indicate with + or - and fill in the date of recovery

Tuberculosis..... (. . .) Malaria..... (. . .) Other communicable disease..... (. . .)
 Epilepsy..... (. . .) Kidney Disease..... (. . .) Heart Diseases..... (. . .) Diabetes..... (. . .)
 Drug Allergy..... (. . .) Psychosis..... (. . .) Functional Disorder in extremities..... (. . .)

5. 検査 Laboratory tests
 検尿 Urinalysis: glucose (), protein (), occult blood (), 検便 Feces: Parasite (egg of parasite) (+, -)

赤沈 ESR: _____ mm/Hr, WBC count: _____ x10³/μl, RBC: _____ x10⁶/μl, Hemoglobin: _____ g/dl,

AST (GOT): _____ u/l, ALT (GPT): _____ u/l.

6. 診断医の印象を述べて下さい。
 Please describe your impression.

7. 志願者の既往歴、診察・検査の結果から判断して、現在の健康の状況は十分に留学に耐えうるものと思われますか？
 In view of the applicant's history and the above findings, is it your observation his/her health status is adequate to pursue studies in Japan ?
 yes no

日付 Date: _____ 署名 Signature: _____

医師氏名 Physician's Name in Print: _____

検査施設名 Office/Institution: _____
 所在地 Address: _____