

**Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship for Foreign Students in
“The International Special Doctoral Course for Integrated River Basin Management”
Year 2011**

1. Student Acceptance (Number of grantee)

4 students are recommended for the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) scholarship

2. Qualifications

- (1) Nationality: Applicants must be from a country officially recognized by the Japanese Government as of October 1, 2011.
- (2) Age: Applicants must be born after the 1st of April 1976.
- (3) Academic Background: Applicants must meet either of the following.
 - (a) Any person who has/will have a Master's degree in a foreign graduate school by September 30, 2011.
 - (b) Any person who has been judged by University of Yamanashi as having an academic level the equivalent of or higher than a Master's degree.
- (4) Health: Applicants must not be mentally or physically challenged in such a way that this would pose a serious obstacle to their ability to study.
- (5) Foreign Language Proficiency: Applicants must have a satisfactory command of the English Language.
- (6) Arrival in Japan: Applicants must be able to depart for and arrive in Japan between the 17th of September and 15th of October 2011 without fail.

Note:

- (1) Applicants falling within the following criterion will not be accepted.
 - 1) Military personnel and military civilian employees registered on the active list.
 - 2) Those who cannot arrive in Japan within the required time frame.
 - 3) An applicant who has been awarded a Japanese Government Scholarship in the past will not be selected unless he/she has had at least three years of research and teaching experience after returning to his/her home country. However, former “Japanese Studies” scholarship students who complete the undergraduate courses of their enrolled universities after returning home and returned “Japan-Korea Joint Exchange Program For The Students In Science and Engineering Departments” students may apply.
 - 4) Prospective grantee of a scholarship or grant from organizations other than the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho), including the government of their own country.
 - 5) Applicants cannot apply for this program through Embassy/Consulate General recommendation and University recommendation at the same time. The applicant cannot apply for the Japanese Studies Program offered by MEXT and the Short-term Student Exchange Promotion Program conducted by Japanese Student Services Organization (JASSO) at the same time. Duplicate application through other universities will also not be accepted.
 - 6) A scholarship will not be granted to an applicant who is already or will be enrolled in a Japanese university as a privately financed foreign student.
- (2) If the abilities of the applicants are similar, preference will be given to the applicant belonging to an institution having an exchange agreement.

3. Term of Scholarship

The awards are tenable for three years from 1st October, 2011 to 30th September, 2014. In case of an absence from Japan, the amount of the scholarship will be reduced according to the period of the absence.

4. Scholarship Benefits

- (1) Allowance: 155,000 yen (for 2010 grantee, subject to change) per month will be given to each

grantee with the understanding that the scholarship will be cancelled in the event of a grantee undertaking an extended absence from the university.

(2) Transportation:

Transportation to Japan: The grantee will be supplied with an economy class air ticket from the international airport nearest to his/her home address to Narita International Airport.

Transportation from Japan: The grantee who returns to his/her home country within the fixed period after the expiration of his/her scholarship will be supplied, upon application, with an economy class air ticket from Narita International Airport to the international airport nearest to his/her home address.

(Note) The cost of any aviation and accident insurance for travel to and from Japan shall be borne by the applicant.

(3) Fees for the entrance examination and tuition will be waived.

5. Application

Each applicant must submit the following documents by the required date.

	(original)	(copy)
(1) Application Form	1	
Field of Study and Study Program	1	
(2) Diploma from the undergraduate school		1
(3) Master's degree certificate or a certificate issued by the applicant's graduate school indicating that the applicant will be receiving a Master's degree	1	
(4) Transcript of academic record issued by university authorities for undergraduate school		1
(5) Transcript of academic record issued by university authorities for graduate school	1	
(6) Documents that certify academic achievement of the last school attended (such as GPA, placement and specific ranking)		1
(7) A certification of applicant's birth, nationality, citizenship, or residence in the applicant's home country such as a transcription of domiciliary register or a proof of citizenship		1
(8) Letter of recommendation, by the dean or head of the applicant's affiliated institution, addressed to the President of University of Yamanashi	1	
(9) Photographs of passport size (4.5 × 3.5 cm, Upper body, Full-faced, Uncapped) taken within the past 6 months. Name and nationality should be written on the back of each photograph	3	
(10) Abstract of Master's thesis		1
(11) Materials that shows applicant's linguistic talent or expertise such as TOEFL, TOEIC and Japanese Language Proficiency Test		1
(12) Copy of your passport		1

Note:

- 1) All the documents should be either typewritten or printed in either Japanese or English on A4 paper.
- 2) The submitted documents will not be returned.
- 3) Regarding the abstracts of theses, the contents of theses should be compiled concisely.

- 4) No application will be considered unless all the documents mentioned above are fully and correctly completed by the submission deadline.

6. Selection Process

- (1) Selection of the preliminary candidates of scholarship students

Successful applicants will be chosen based on the total assessment of the results of the examination of their research achievements (academic thesis, research reports, patents, publications, Master's degree thesis, etc), and an oral examination (an interview regarding research project plan either in English or Japanese).

- (2) University of Yamanashi will recommend 4 applicants selected through (1) to MEXT as preliminary candidates.
- (3) Scholarship students will be selected by MEXT based on the University of Yamanashi's recommendation.
- (4) Applicants will be notified of the results before early July, 2011. Grantees will be officially able to enroll in Division of Natural, Biotic and Social Environmental Engineering, Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Medicine and Engineering, University of Yamanashi.
- (5) If an applicant who is not recommended under (2) wishes to enroll utilizing personal funds, he/she does not need to submit a new application form. However, an entrance examination fee is required.

Reference: Schedule

Application deadline: late December 2010

Interview: from the end of December 2010 to January 2011

Selection of preliminary candidates: early February 2011

Submission deadline of all the necessary documents: the end of February 2011

Recommendation of preliminary candidates to MEXT from University of Yamanashi: mid-April, 2011

Notification of results to University of Yamanashi from MEXT: before early July, 2011

7. Notes

- (1) A grantee will be deprived of his/her scholarship in any of the following cases:
 - 1) A false statement has been made in the application
 - 2) He/she violates any article of his/her pledge to the Monbukagaku-daijin (the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology)
 - 3) He/she has been subjected to disciplinary action by the university or has no prospects for academic improvement
 - 4) He/she withdraws from the university or transfers to another university.
 - 5) His/her status has changed into a status other than "College Student"
 - 6) He/she has received scholarships from other institutions including his/her own government
- (2) In the event of a leave of absence or long absence, the scholarship for the duration of the absence will not be paid in principle.
- (3) A grantee is advised to learn the Japanese language and be sufficiently informed about Japanese weather, climate, customs, university education and conditions in general before coming to Japan.