

2017 External Scholarships for APU Graduate Schools

(for overseas applicants only)

Overseas applicants to APU Graduate Schools who meet certain criteria can apply for the scholarships listed below. Please carefully read the information in this document and apply for the appropriate scholarship(s). **This document should be read in addition to the APU Graduate Schools Application Handbook.**

List of Scholarships and Qualifying Academic Programs at APU

Program	Division/Specialization	MEXT (Top Global University Project)	MEXT (University Recommend- ation)	JJ/WBGSP	ADB-JSP
APS	International Relations (IR)	○	○	○	○
	Society and Culture (SC)	○	○	○	○
ICP	International Public Administration (IPA)	○	○	○	○
	Public Health Management (PHM)	○	○	○	○
	Sustainability Science (SS)	○	○	○	○
	Tourism and Hospitality (TH)	○	○	○	○
	Development Economics (DE)	○	○	○	○
	Dual Master's Degree Program in International Material Flow Management (IMAT)	×	×	×	×
MBA	Japanese Management(JM)/ Marketing and Management(MM)/ Accounting and Finance (AF) / Innovation and Operations Management (IOM)	○	○	×	×

JJ/WBGSP= Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program

ADB-JSP= Asian Development Bank-Japan Scholarship Program

Application Process

Before submitting:

1. Carefully read the Application Handbook and this document.
2. Submit the following documents and complete the application fee payment.
 - a. APU Graduate Schools Application Form for 2017:
<http://admissions.apu.ac.jp/resource//464103a45a93eb79c9edd21286f13ddf81fc5c4f>
 - b. Eligibility Criteria Checklist
 - c. Additional required documents listed for each scholarship
 - d. The online application form for the JJ/WBGSP Scholarship (only for the JJ/WBGSP scholarship)

After submitting:

1. Applicants selected by APU will be recommended to the appropriate scholarship organizations.
2. Final decisions regarding scholarship awards will be made by the scholarship organizations. Applicants who are not awarded an external scholarship will be considered for the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship instead if they submit the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship Application Essay at the time of application.

Eligibility Requirements for All External Scholarship Applicants

Please refer to the attached "Eligibility Criteria Checklist".

Application Fee: Credit Card and Bank Transfer: 5,000 JPY or Bank Check: 8,000 JPY

Please refer to the Application Handbook for payment instructions. The fee must be paid by the application deadline. Unpaid applications will not be screened. Payment by credit card is strongly preferred. You may pay by bank transfer or bank check only if you cannot pay by credit card.

Credit card payment: https://job.axol.jp/16/c/apu/entry/basic_01

If you are applying through a third party such as an embassy, employer or university, please make sure there is an understanding of who will pay the fee. The fee must be received for each applicant, regardless of the organization recommending them to APU.

Application Period: Refer to the following page "Guidelines by Scholarship"

Applications will not be accepted by fax, Email or through the APU Online Application System under any circumstances. Applicants should complete the external scholarship application documents listed above and **post them directly to APU** along with the required documents listed in the Application Handbook.

Guidelines by Scholarship

MEXT Scholarship (Top Global University Project)	
About the Scholarship	This scholarship was established at APU after it was selected for MEXT's Top Global University Project (SGU). Universities selected for this project can provide this scholarship to outstanding international students with excellent academic performance. It also aims to enhance the international competitiveness of Japanese universities.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those intending to study abroad in Japan from overseas Does not have Japanese nationality and is a national of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan Born on or after April 2, 1982 <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Those who are serving active military duty or civilians employed by the military at the time of application are not eligible. Those applying for this scholarship at APU cannot apply for it at other universities. Scholarship recipients must have 'student' as their visa resident status.
Application Period	April 2017 Enrollment: Aug 1, 2016 (Mon) - Sep 28, 2016 (Wed) September 2017 Enrollment: Nov 14, 2016 (Mon) - Dec 7, 2016 (Wed)
Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% of tuition will be covered by the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship 144,000 JPY per month for living expenses (amount subject to change) [April 2017 Enrollment] This scholarship will be provided for one year from April 2017 to March 2018. [September 2017 Enrollment] This scholarship will be provided for six months from October 2017 to March 2018. Continuation of the scholarship is possible upon reapplying.
Additional Required Documents	Outstanding applicants for this scholarship will be selected by APU and recommended to MEXT. At that time, applicants will be required to submit additional documents to APU.

MEXT Scholarship (University Recommendation)	
About the Scholarship	MEXT provides this scholarship to international students who are recommended by APU to enhance international competitiveness and promote active exchange of international students in Japanese universities.
Application Period	September 2017 Enrollment: Nov 14, 2016 (Mon) - Dec 7, 2016 (Wed) Not available for April 2017 enrollment.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intending to study abroad in Japan from overseas Does not have Japanese nationality and is a national of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan Born on or after April 2, 1982 <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Those who are serving active military duty or civilians employed by the military at the time of application are not eligible. Those applying for this scholarship at APU cannot apply for it at other universities. Those who have previously received a scholarship from MEXT may be considered ineligible so please consult with APU before applying. Scholarship recipients must have 'student' as their visa resident status.
Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% of tuition will be covered by the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship. 144,000 JPY per month for living expenses (amount subject to change). Economy class air travel between the home country and APU at the beginning and end of the study program.
Additional Required Documents	Outstanding applicants for this scholarship will be selected by APU and recommended to MEXT. At that time, applicants will be required to submit additional documents to APU.

Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP)																																													
About the Scholarship	This scholarship targets individuals from World Bank (WB) member countries who wish to undertake graduate studies at universities renowned for their development research and teaching. The aim of this scholarship is to help create an international community of highly-trained professionals working in the fields of economic and social development. The recipients will be expected to actively participate in capacity-building efforts in their home countries and regions.																																												
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Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Admission Fee • Full tuition • 144,000 JPY/month for living expenses (amount subject to change for 2017) • Economy class air travel between the home country and APU at the beginning and end of the study program. • 500 USD allowance for travel expenses (the first trip's allowance will be included with the first living expense payment). 																																												
Additional Required Documents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A copy of the <u>submitted WB Online Application</u> If the online application system of WB is opened after APU's deadline, please submit this as soon as it becomes available. 2. Certificate(s) of employment showing at least three years of work experience acquired after receiving a bachelor's degree. 3. Abstract of a previously written thesis or an example of previous written work and/or list of research achievements to date. 																																												

Asian Development Bank-Japan Scholarship Program (ADB-JSP)	
About the Scholarship	The ADB-JSP Scholarship aims to provide an opportunity for well-qualified citizens of the Asian Development Bank's (ADB) developing member countries to pursue graduate studies in development-related fields of the Asia Pacific region. APU was selected as a designated institution by ADB in 2010, and will provide this scholarship each year to a few eligible GSA applicants (excluding the IMAT program).

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Additional Required Documents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Certificate(s) of employment showing at least two years of work experience acquired after receiving a bachelor's degree. 2. Abstract of a previously written thesis or an example of previous written work and/or list of research achievements to date. 3. The applicant's latest income tax return or proof of annual/monthly salary. 4. Certification of family income (including the income of applicant's parents or spouse) 5. ADB-JSP Information Sheet Form downloadable from: http://www.adb.org/site/careers/japan-scholarship-program/procedures-applying 																														

MEXT Scholarship (Embassy Recommendation)

For this scholarship, applicants must first apply to the Japanese embassy in their home country and then contact APU if the screening by the embassy has yielded a positive result. Most embassies accept applications around April, but please contact the embassy in your home country to confirm their application procedures. Enrollment would be in either April or September of the following year. This scholarship is available for all APU's graduate programs, except for the IMAT program.

Notes

1. Due to the time required to create a bank account and arrival procedures, the first installment of living expenses will not be received until at least one month after arriving in Japan. Therefore, recipients are advised to bring at least 150,000 JPY along with them to Japan to cover initial expenses.
2. If the applicant cannot arrive in Japan during the set period, travel expenses to Japan will not be paid. Furthermore, if the arrival is delayed for a considerable period of time, the scholarship may be revoked.
3. Those who have or will receive scholarships from other institutions, including their own government, will not be selected.
4. Any false statements made in the application documents could be grounds for deprivation of a grantee's scholarship later.
5. The 2017 application guidelines for the Scholarships have not yet been announced so there may be changes to the eligibility requirements and/or scholarship award.

Contact Information

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2017 External Scholarships for APU Graduate Schools

Eligibility Criteria Checklist

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria for their application to be reviewed. Please complete the following checklist first and if you are eligible, submit this form along with the required application documents. If any of the boxes are left unchecked, APU will not consider you for the scholarship. If you are eligible and would like to apply for multiple scholarships, please fill in the appropriate checklists.

Applicants who are selected by APU will be recommended to the appropriate scholarship organizations. Final decisions regarding scholarship awards will be made by the scholarship organizations.

Applicant Information

1. Full Name:

Last (Surname)

First

Middle

2. Email Address:

I. For all external scholarships applicants:

- ☐ I meet the applicant eligibility requirements listed in the Application Handbook.
- ☐ I have exceptional academic ability (ideally a cumulative GPA of 3.0 out of 4.0 or the equivalent of a score of 75% or higher).
- ☐ I am in good health, as certified by a medical doctor, with respect to the capacity to be a productive scholar for the duration of the master's program.

II. MEXT Scholarship (Top Global University Project):

- ☐ I am applying for one of APU's GSA master's programs (excluding IMAT) or MBA program.
- ☐ I do not have Japanese nationality and am a national of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan.
- ☐ I am born on or after April 2, 1982.
- ☐ I am not applying for this scholarship at any other university.
- ☐ I am not serving active military duty or am not a civilian employed by the military.

___ I have answered "yes" to all of I. and II. ___ No, I do not qualify for this scholarship.

III. MEXT Scholarship (University Recommendation):

- ☐ I am applying for one of APU's GSA master's programs (excluding IMAT) or MBA program.
- ☐ I do not have Japanese nationality and am a national of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan.
- ☐ I am born on or after April 2, 1982.
- ☐ I am not applying for this scholarship at any other university.
- ☐ I am not serving active military duty or am not a civilian employed by the military.

Those who have previously received a scholarship from MEXT may be considered ineligible so please consult with APU before applying

___ I have answered "yes" to all of I. and III. ___ No, I do not qualify for this scholarship.

IV. Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP):

- ☐ I am applying for one of APU's GSA master's programs (excluding IMAT).
- ☐ I am a national of a World Bank member country, and am not currently residing in a developed country for a period longer than one year.
- ☐ I am not a dual citizen of any industrialized country.
- ☐ I am not an executive director and/or staff of the World Bank Group, nor a consultant, relative or in-law of the aforementioned.
- ☐ I received a bachelor's or equivalent university degree before 2014.
- ☐ I will be under 40 years of age as of April 1st 2017.
- ☐ I am currently employed in a paid and full time position at the time of application.
- ☐ At the time of application, I have at least three but no more than 20 years of full-time paid work experience in development-related work in my home country or another developing country after obtaining a bachelor's or equivalent university degree.

___ I have answered "yes" to all of I. and IV. ___ No, I do not qualify for this scholarship.

V. Asian Development Bank-Japan Scholarship Program (ADB-JSP):

- ☐ I am applying for one of APU's GSA master's programs (excluding IMAT).
- ☐ I am a citizen of an ADB developing member country, and am not currently living or working outside my home country.
- ☐ I have at least two years of full-time work experience after obtaining a bachelor's degree.
- ☐ I am presently not more than 35 years of age.
- ☐ I have not previously studied abroad.
- ☐ I presently do not possess a master's degree and will not obtain one prior to enrollment at APU.
- ☐ I am not an executive director, alternate director, management or staff of ADB, nor a consultant or relative of the aforementioned.
- ☐ My family's income is not more than 50,000 USD/year and my individual income is not more than 25,000 USD/year.
- ☐ I intend to work in my home country after completion of my studies.

___ I have answered "yes" to all of I. and V. ___ No, I do not qualify for this scholarship.

I certify that all of the information provided above is correct.

Date: _____

This form is to be submitted along with the 2017 APU Graduate School Application Form and required documents.

Signature: _____