

Dear Partner Universities,

I hope this message finds you well.

We are pleased to inform you of a scholarship program for exceptional international students from our partner institutions and key regions, to obtain a Master's (M) or Doctoral (D) degree starting in the Fall semester of 2026. This program offers a full exemption of admission fees and tuition, along with a monthly scholarship of approximately JPY 143,000. A total of two (2) students will be selected university-wide for this scholarship.

Eligible applicants include students from key regions who are planning to study abroad in Japan as new Master's or Doctoral students. Candidates enrolled in English-based courses at our partner institutions for the September intake have a very high chance of being selected. If any students wish to pursue graduate studies in Japan with the support of this scholarship, we kindly ask that you pass along this information.

Important deadlines for Fall 2026 intake:

- **Document submission deadline:** January 20th (Tuesday)
- **Adviser's preliminary approval required by:** January 20th (Tuesday)
- **Notification to recommended candidates:** January 23rd (Friday)
- **Selection results notification:** End of February 2026

Please note that the required documents for the application are numerous. For further details, please refer to the attached flyer.

Description:

The MEXT University Recommendation Scholarship is a comprehensive "full-ride" scholarship sponsored by the Japanese government. Applicants who wish to be recommended for this scholarship by Kansai University must first apply for admission to the university following the procedures outlined below. Each applicant who successfully passes the admissions process will also receive a university recommendation for the scholarship. Since there are limited recommendation slots, only a select few applicants will receive a Letter of Acceptance through this process.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must have the nationality of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan. Japanese nationals are not eligible (However, those planning to renounce their Japanese citizenship may apply).
- Applicants must have been born on or after April 2, 1991.
- Applicants must be in good physical and mental health.
- Applicants must be willing to acquire a student visa and enter Japan for the purpose of study upon receiving the scholarship.
- Applicants must be able to arrive in Japan by mid-September 2026.

- Applicants must have a CGPA of 2.30 or higher out of 3.00 (as calculated by MEXT's formula) for their current degree program.
- For applicants to English-language degree programs: Applicants must have an English proficiency level of at least CEFR B2, or have studied in English in their most recent (or current) degree program.

Scholarship Summary:

- **Monthly Allowance:** JPY 143,000-145,000 (The amount may vary depending on budgetary constraints and changes in the cost of living).
- **Admission Fee:** Waived.
- **Tuition:** Waived during the scholarship award period.
- **Award Period:**
 - Master's Students: 2 years (standard duration of our Master's Program).
 - Doctoral Students: 3 years (standard duration of our Doctoral Program).

Application Process:

1. Obtain approval from a supervising professor before applying.
2. Submit the following documents: Application Form[Form 6], Major and Research Plan [Form 7], Motivation Letter [Form 8], Documents verifying the applicant's nationality and legal status, Official academic transcript, Graduation certificate, Letter of recommendation, Thesis or paper summary, TOEFL, IELTS, or JLPT certificates, waived for native English speakers.

Important Notes:

- Please carefully select the professor you wish to study under, as changing advisors after entering the university is generally not allowed.
- Avoid contacting multiple professors simultaneously, as this may cause confusion. When emailing a professor, please include your complete information so they can clearly understand your background and the purpose of your inquiry.

Deadline for Application: January 20, 2026

Submit Applications to: stem-mobility@ml.kandai.jp, *Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

[Video of the Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Kansai University](#)

[Host professors list](#)

[Website of the Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Kansai University](#)

MEXT Scholarships

https://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/ryugaku/boshu/1415351_00007.htm

Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to receiving the applications. The first screening will be completed by early January, and the second screening will be in late February.

If you have any students who may be interested, we would greatly appreciate your guidance and support in encouraging them to apply for this fantastic opportunity.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Kansai University