



College Women's Association of Japan

ANNOUNCEMENT

COLLEGE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS 2019

2019 年度 CWAJ 奨学金 募集要項

The College Women's Association of Japan (CWAJ) is a volunteer organization of international women dedicated to encouraging educational and cultural exchange between Japanese-speaking people and English-speaking people of all nationalities. CWAJ awards merit scholarships that are based on candidates' academic excellence, the quality and feasibility of their proposed study, and their potential to contribute to society. CWAJ encourages qualified applicants of any age to apply and does not impose restrictions on field of study. CWAJ is offering the following scholarships for the 2019-2020 academic year.

I. CWAJ 70th ANNIVERSARY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR JAPANESE WOMEN TO STUDY ABROAD (SA)

CWAJ 創立 70 周年記念海外留学大学院女子奨学金

Two Scholarships, ¥5.0 Million each over 2 years (1st year - ¥3 million, 2nd year - ¥2 million)

The Study Abroad Program supports graduate study in English at universities and research institutions abroad for women who are Japanese nationals or special permanent residents of Japan.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must:

- Be women who are Japanese nationals or special permanent residents of Japan, living in Japan from the time of application until the end of March 2019. Individuals currently studying or working abroad are ineligible.
- Have graduated with a degree from a Japanese university (four-year course) by June 2019.
- Submit a TOEFL score of at least **570 (IBT 88)** if applying for a graduate degree in the natural sciences, math, medicine or engineering, and **600 (IBT 98)** if applying for a degree in any other field. The TOEFL must have been taken after October 1, 2016. Applicants may submit an IELTS score instead of TOEFL score. The IELTS score must be at least 6.5 if applying for a graduate degree in the natural sciences, math, medicine or engineering, and 7.0 if applying for a degree in any other field. IELTS must have been taken after October 1, 2016.
- Be accepted in a graduate degree program that is taught in English at an accredited university or research institution abroad by March 31, 2019 and must be enrolled within that year for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 academic years.

2. The following are ineligible:

- Applicants who have studied abroad at the college level in an English-speaking program or institution for more than two (2) academic years.
- Holders of scholarships greater than ¥2 million per year from any other scholarship programs for the duration of the CWAJ Scholarship. Financial aid and awards from the university where the applicant will study may not be subject to the same limitation.
- Former recipients of CWAJ awards and members of CWAJ.
- The 2019 SA scholarship requires the recipient to be enrolled to study abroad for 2 years or more, so those enrolled in a one-year program are ineligible.

II. CWAJ GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR NON-JAPANESE WOMEN TO STUDY IN JAPAN (NJG)

CWAJ 外国人留学生大学院女子奨学金

Two Scholarships, ¥2.0 Million

The Non-Japanese Graduate Program supports graduate study in Japan for non-Japanese women who are enrolled in a degree program at a Japanese university.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must:

- Be non-Japanese, non-permanent resident women who will be enrolled in a degree program in a graduate school of a Japanese university from April 2019 to March 2020.
- Be residing in Japan at the time of application.
- Submit an essay in English.

2. The following are ineligible:

- Holders of scholarships greater than ¥1.5 million from any other scholarship programs for the duration of the CWAJ Scholarship. Financial aid and awards from the university where the applicant will study may not be subject to the same limitation.
- Former recipients of CWAJ awards and members of CWAJ.

III. CWAJ SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED TO STUDY ABROAD (SVI-SA)**CWAJ 視覚障害学生海外留学奨学金**

One Scholarship, ¥3.0 Million

The Scholarship for the Visually Impaired to Study Abroad program supports individuals with visual impairment who are Japanese nationals or special permanent residents of Japan for graduate or undergraduate English-based study abroad.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must:

- Be visually impaired women or men, with a Certificate of Disability Grade 1-6.
- Be Japanese nationals or special permanent residents of Japan, living in Japan from the time of application until the end of March 2019.
- Have completed at least two years of undergraduate study (four-year course) in Japan by March 2019.
- Have graduated with a degree from a Japanese university (four-year course) by June 2019, if applying for a graduate award.
- Be accepted in an academic program that is taught in English at an accredited university or research institution abroad by March 31, 2019 and must be enrolled within that year for the 2019-2020 academic year.
- Submit a TOEFL or IELTS score at the time of application. The TOEFL or IELTS must have been taken after October 1, 2016.

2. The following are ineligible:

- Holders of scholarships greater than ¥2.0 million from any other scholarship programs for the duration of the CWAJ Scholarship. Financial aid and awards from the university where the applicant will study and disability pension may not be subject to the same limitation.
- Members of CWAJ.

IV. CWAJ SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED TO STUDY IN JAPAN (SVI-SJ)**CWAJ 視覚障害学生奨学金**

Two Scholarships, ¥1.5 Million each

The Scholarship for the Visually Impaired to Study in Japan program supports visually impaired Japanese nationals or special permanent residents of Japan for graduate or undergraduate study in Japan.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must:

- Be visually impaired women or men, with a Certificate of Disability Grade 1-6.
- Be Japanese nationals or special permanent residents of Japan, living in Japan at the time of application.
- Applicants for an undergraduate award must have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies in a Japanese university (four-year course) by March 2019.
- Applicants for a graduate award must have graduated with a degree from a Japanese university (four-year course) by March 2019, and must be accepted in a graduate degree program by March 31, 2019.

2. The following are ineligible:

- Holders of scholarships greater than ¥1.0 million from any other scholarship programs for the duration of the CWAJ Scholarship. Financial aid and awards from the university where the applicant will study and disability pension may not be subject to the same limitation.
- Former recipients of CWAJ awards and members of CWAJ.

V. PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION

1. Obtaining Application Forms

- a) **SA and NJG Programs:** Application forms are available **ONLY** on the CWAJ website.
- b) **SVI-SJ and SVI-SA Programs:**
 - 1) Application forms are available on the CWAJ website.
 - 2) Requests for SVI application forms will also be accepted by email. Requests should be made to: scholarship@cwaj.org.

2. Submitting Applications

- a) Application submission by email is **NOT** acceptable.
- b) **Period of acceptance:** Applications must be postmarked between (inclusive)

SA: Monday, October 15 and Tuesday, October 23, 2018

NJG: Monday, October 15 and Tuesday, October 23, 2018

SVI-SA or SVI-SJ: Wednesday, November 7 and Wednesday, November 14, 2018

c) Send by regular mail or Letterpack Light.

DO NOT send by registered mail (*yubin kakitome*), Letterpack Plus or *takuhaibin*, or any method that requires a signature/*hanko* upon delivery, **as these will not be accepted**.

- d) Completed applications must be mailed to the address below.

**Insert the initials of the scholarship program to which you are applying in the address below.*

CWAJ SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (*) PROGRAM

CWAJ CENTER

2-24-13-703 Kami-Osaki, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo 141-0021

- e) Incomplete or applications arriving past the deadline will be considered ineligible. Extra documents will be disregarded. No documents will be returned.

VI. INTERVIEWS AND SELECTION

Interviews of the finalists will be held in Tokyo in February 2019. Candidates should plan to be available during the month when interviews are being held and will be notified at least two weeks in advance if they have been selected for an interview. Applicants will be notified of the results by email and in writing. CWAJ reserves the right to make its own selections and does not discuss any of its decisions.

All CWAJ scholarship applicants are required to be residing in Japan at the time of their application. We regret, therefore, that we are unable to accept applications from outside of Japan.