All Disciplines (Research)

Award Autogenerated Code
10204-JA

Region
East Asia and the Pacific

Country
Japan

Number of Grants
Up To 10

Stipend

350,000 yen per month

Family allowance of 50,000-100,000 yen per month, depending on the number of accompanying dependents.

Housing allowance of 120,000-200,000 yen per month is provided, depending on the number of accompanying dependents.

Estimated Travel and Relocation Allowance

Roundtrip international travel arranged by Fulbright commission for grantee and a primary dependent who accompanies the grantee on a grant of nine months or more.

Baggage allowance: $300-$500 for Japan-bound and 60,000-100,000 yen for U.S.-bound, based on length of grant

Settling-in allowance: equivalent to one month's housing allowance (120,000 yen to 200,000 yen)

Estimated Book and Research Allowance

Research allowance: 300,000-500,000 yen, depending on the length of the grant

Research travel allowance: 30,000-100,000 yen, depending on the length of the grant

Candidate Profile

Academics, except early career

Activity
Research

Application Deadline
Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Grant Activity

Conduct research in area of specialization. Grantees are expected to submit a publishable report about their research within six months after the end of the grant. Applicants must demonstrate how their research will contribute to the Japan-U.S. relationship in their field and to their own professional development.

Grant Length
Three to nine months

Grant Dates
Grants must begin between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.

Locations
Any appropriate institution. The Japan-U.S. Educational Commission will finalize all affiliation arrangements.

**Flex Option**
Yes

**Flex Description**

The Serial (Flex) Grant is designed for scholars who require multiple visits to the host country. This option allows grants to be conducted over short segments, preferably during the fall and/or spring semesters. Interested applicants should clearly indicate plans for Flex in their project statement, including a project timeline.

Serial (Flex) grant parameters:

- Minimum length of the total grant is six months
- Grant cannot be divided into more than two segments
- Grant segments may be spread over two consecutive years with a half or more of the total grant period completed during the first academic year
- The second segment must resume within one year after the completion of the first segment; and
- Only offered for research grants.

**Discipline Type**
Applications are sought in all disciplines

**Areas of Interest**

While this award is open to any disciplines, the Commission prioritizes projects in the social sciences and humanities, to promote research and study in the following five fields of study as they relate to the U.S. and Japan and broader global society.

1. **Study of Japan**

Study of the society and culture of Japan through such fields as history, political science, economics, law, journalism, literature, and sociology.

2. **Japan-U.S. Relations in the Indo-Pacific**

Study of contemporary social, political, economic, and security issues between Japan and the U.S. in relation with the Indo-Pacific region.

3. **Critical Issues of Contemporary Society**

Study of contemporary social issues in Japan and the U.S. Subjects of particular interest include risk or crisis management, ethical and other issues of rapid technological development, urbanization, the family, aging society, economic disparity, and criminology.

4. **Global Issues**

Study of issues occurring on a global scale. Subjects of particular interest include public health, trade, labor and mobility, migration, environment, energy, diversity and inclusion, demographic issues and other related topics to the sustainable development goals (SDGs).

5. **Education**

Study of contemporary issues for all levels of educational systems in Japan and the U.S. A comparative perspective is encouraged. Subjects of particular interest include all aspects of internationalization, global skill competency development, foreign language acquisition, structural and curricular reform, and the role of education in society.

**Special Features**

**Fulbright East Asia Pacific Regional Travel Program**

Fulbright Scholars in the East Asia and Pacific (EAP) region have the opportunity to apply for funds to support short-term (3-14 days) travel to other countries in the EAP region for activities such as lectures, workshops, graduate or faculty seminars, master classes or recitals, curricular advising or panel presentations. EAP Regional Travel Program funding covers transportation only. Regional Travel Program activities/host sites should not be included in the initial Fulbright application. Scholars may
pursue invitations for short-term activities in other EAP countries once notified that they have been selected for a Fulbright grant, and may only apply for travel program funds once they have actively started their Fulbright grant in their host country. Scholars on Flex grants are not eligible for the regional travel grant.

**Degree Requirements**  
Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) required

**Additional Qualification Information**

Applicants may be Japan specialists or nonspecialists who wish to pursue comparative research in their fields.

Academics must be three years beyond their terminal degree at the time of application.

Applicants in the arts, including creative writing, must have an institutional affiliation in the United States.

Individuals who are living in Japan are not eligible to apply.

**Additional Language Requirement**

Japanese language fluency sufficient to complete the research project is required. Research applicants must submit the Language Proficiency Report: Self Evaluation and Language Proficiency Report: External Evaluation. Native speakers need only to complete the Language Proficiency Report: Self Evaluation. Applicants without Japanese language skills should explicitly address the issue in their discussion of the feasibility of the project in their project proposal.

**Invitation Requirement**

A letter of invitation is required

**Additional Comments**

As arranging housing can take a while, applicants are welcome to contact their prospective host institutions regarding the availability of institutional housing at the time of application. However, applicants should not expect that housing will be arranged by the host institution or the Japan-U.S. Educational Commission.

**Helpful Links**

U.S. Department of State - Japan [1]

Japan-U.S. Educational Commission [2]

U.S. Embassy in Japan [3]

For more information, please visit our East Asia and the Pacific regional [webpage] [4] and view our [schedule] [5] of upcoming webinars.

Email the [East Asia and the Pacific Team] [6] with questions about applying.

**Multi-Country/Area Award**

No

**Grant Length Filter**

Flex  
Three to five months  
Six to 10 months

**Award Code**

11088-JA

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**Award Year**

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**Special Award Benefits**

Honoraria for guest lecturing may be accepted under the terms of the award.

**Language Proficiency Requirements**

None, English is sufficient. However, feasibility of conducting the project must be demonstrated in the project statement.