JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP
Research Students for 2017 by University Recommendation
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Application Deadline (in Japan time) of Scanned copies: Friday, January 6, 2017
Application Deadline (in Japan time) of the original documents: Monday, January 16, 2017

- Send us ICU GS Entry Form via E-mail (gs-entryform@icu.ac.jp)
  (see attached document for information).
- Scanned copies of all documents must reach ICU via E-mail (gs-adm@icu.ac.jp).
- The original documents must reach ICU by registered express mail (see No. 6 for mailing address).

Dear Partner universities, it is appreciated if you would nominate one applicant per university.

1. Conditions:
   1. Stipend:
      Kenkyusei (Special Student)*: 146,000 YEN per month
      Master’s Course: 147,000 YEN per month
      Doctoral Course: 148,000 YEN per month
   2. Matriculation Fee: Waived by ICU
   3. Tuition Fee: Waived by ICU
   4. Travel expenses: An economy class, non-transferable air ticket between a major international airport nearest to the
      student's current address and the Narita International Airport. (The ticket will be available only
      from/to the international airport in the country where student has nationality. Students must return to
      their country by the specified date after finishing their study period.)

2. Duration:
   Kenkyusei (Special Student)*:
   From September 2017 to minimum of 1 year and maximum of less than 2 years (according to the academic
   calendar of ICU)
   Master’s Course:
   From September 2017 to June 2019** (according to the academic calendar of ICU)
   Doctoral Course:
   From September 2017 to June 2020 (according to the academic calendar of ICU)

* Kenkyusei (Special Student): Non-degree seeking status at ICU for one year only. Students may be able to extend this
status up to one more year with the permission. However, the duration of the scholarship is limited only for 18 months.
Those who want to apply for this status should have completed their graduate work and have been given master’s degree or
the equivalent by the end of August 2017.
** Those who have shown academic excellence and fulfill the certain conditions may be able to extend the duration after
successfully passing a certain selecting procedure. In this case, application fee will not be covered by the scholarships, so
please pay on your own at the time of application.

3. Student Eligibility:
   Students can only apply for one university with this scholarship.
   Those who have applied/are applying to other universities with this scholarship are not eligible.
   1. Excellent students newly seeking to study at ICU (at the graduate level), who are officially recommended by their
      home institution (exchange partner of ICU). One nominee per exchange partner only. For further information on
      the exchange partner, please refer to http://www.icu.ac.jp/en/academics/global/ieep_list.html
   2. Students who have nationality of a country that the Japanese government officially recognizes (Those who have Japanese
      nationality are NOT eligible for this scholarship).
   3. Students who have/are expecting to receive a degree equivalent to Japanese Bachelor’s (or Master’s) degree* before they
      begin their study at ICU.
      *Basically, those who have completed 16 years of formal education. For more information, please contact gs-adm@icu.ac.jp
   4. Students who were born on or after April 2, 1982.
   5. Students who are in good health both physically and psychologically.
   6. Students who have a study plan in a field offered at ICU. (This field should be related to one’s major at the university.
   7. Students who wish to study Japanese language/literature/history/law etc. must be proficient in Japanese Language.
   8. Students who will be able to arrive in Japan by September 1, 2017.
   9. Students who are not engaged in any type of military service.
10. Students who have been a Japanese government scholar* within last three years are NOT eligible. Those who have been a Japanese government scholar more than 3 years ago should have 3 years or more experience of research/education. *Except for the certain Japanese government scholarships. For more information, please contact gs-adm@icu.ac.jp
11. Students who do not receive any scholarship from organizations other than Japanese government (including scholarship from your home country).
12. Students who are applying to or expected to receive any type of scholarship offered by Japan Student Services Organization, Japanese government, or other universities after October 2017 are NOT eligible.
13. Students who have already been accepted to a Japanese university for 2017 are NOT eligible.
14. Students are not allowed to transfer to other universities while receiving this scholarship.

4. Required Documents:
2. Completed “Field of Study and Study Program” (double-side printing). Please be specific about your research topic, objective, background, method, its significance, reasons for choosing ICU, etc. This is different from course planning. The content should meet the international academic standard.
3. Certificate of graduation or prospective graduation of the last school attended or attending. Title of the degree and (expected) graduation date (month and year) should be written clearly (sealed in an envelope, issued within 3 months).
4. Official transcript of the last school attended (sealed in an envelope, issued within 3 months).
5. Certificate/Document/Transcript that shows the applicant has outstanding academic accomplishment in terms of GPA or other academic ranking. Information on evaluation/grading system in the school should be attached.
6. Copy of your passport
7. Copy of family register or certificate of nationality (i.e. passport copy, birth certificate, national ID card, etc.)
8. Recommendation letter from the Dean / Division Chair of the home university addressed to the President of ICU.
9. Photo, taken within 6 months, 4.5cm x 3.5cm, front faced, upper half of the body, with no cap or hat (Please write your name and nationality on the back and attach on the application forms. Electronic data is acceptable.)
10. Summary of the graduation thesis or, if not required, an official letter that explain about the exemption and submission of the equivalent report (Please explain the points clearly and briefly.) The content should meet the international academic standard.
11. Proof/document that shows your language ability or special skill/ability. English and Japanese are must. (Standardized test scores such as TOEFL, IELTS, TOEIC, Japanese Language Proficiency Test, etc.)
* All application documents should be written/translated in Japanese or English.
* No submitted documents can be returned.

5. Others:
1. This scholarship will be terminated under the following conditions.
   * If there is any false statement found on submitted documents.
   * If students violate their pledge to the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.
   * If students cannot complete their study within the designated period* because of their poor academic performance, suspension or of any other reasons (*Master’s Course: 2 years; Doctoral Course: 3 years).
   * If students are expelled from the university.
   * If students withdraw from the university or transfer to another university.
   * If students lose the “Student” visa.
   * If students receive other scholarships (except for designated scholarships for research purposes.)
   * If students are admitted in higher-level course without approval of MEXT on extending the duration of this scholarship.
2. Students who cannot obtain a “Student” visa by September 1, 2017 will lose the right to receive the scholarship.
   (Applicants are encouraged to obtain the passport well in advance.)
3. If students take a leave of absence or a long absence from the university, the scholarship will be suspended.
4. The result of the selection for this scholarship will be notified to applicant’s home university through ICU in late April.

6. Contact information:
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We cannot accept the application documents after the deadline.