

Points to be noted for ASJA Scholarship Program Application Guidance FY 2010

1. Scholarship allowance

The amount of monthly ASJA Scholarship allowance is the same as that of the Japanese Government Scholarship (by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology), and will be changed in accordance with its revision. The monthly allowance for the Japanese Government Scholarship has been changed for FY 2009, therefore, ASJA scholarship will be changed accordingly as follows:

Monthly amount of ASJA scholarship allowance*		FY 2009	
Japanese language training students/ Professional skill course students		125,000 yen	Students who study/research in a designated region will be provided an additional stipend monthly of 2,000 yen or 3,000 yen
Post-graduate course	Research students/ Non-degree students	152,000 yen	
	Master's course	154,000 yen	
	Doctoral course	155,000 yen	

*Please note that the term of the above amount is from April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010, therefore, there is a possibility that the amount will be changed April 1, 2010 onwards.

2. Categories of Applicants

In principle, ASJA International considers **Category A1 (Post-Graduate Course)**, especially **Japanese: 1 year + Research student: 1 year (or less) + Master's course: 2 years = 4 years** as appropriate due to Japanese education system.

Please also note that for Category B1 and B2 (Professional Skill Course), ASJA requires to take a course in the field of study in **Japanese language teaching**.

3. Timing of Enrollment

Due to Japanese education system, ASJA requests **enrollment in April as a standard**. (Enrollment in October is accepted only in case of unavoidable circumstances/justifiable reasons.)

4. Note

(1) After arrival in Japan, he/she must seek an approval in advance from the Secretary General of ASJA International before deciding which Japanese graduate school/professional skill course school he/she will be applying.

(2) Please note that ASJA International Scholarship program is not the ordinary Japanese Government Scholarship. Therefore, he/she will need to take the entrance examination the University/institutions he/she wish to study.

5. Application documents

Please submit all of the following documents to ASJA Secretariat by the deadline date.

- (1) Application forms and required documents for ASJA Scholarship Program
Please refer to the pp. 7-10 of the “ASJA Scholarship Program Application Guidance FY 2010” for details.
- (2) Application forms for Tokyo Japanese Language Education Center
Applicants for Category A1, B1 and C must submit the application documents for Tokyo Japanese Language Education Center (former Kokusai Gakuyukai) as well. Please refer to the attached sheet for notes in filling in the application for admission of Tokyo Japanese Education Center.
- (3) Cover letter for ASJA Scholarship
Please use the form of ASJA International, or mention all the required items.

(Note) Nomination of three candidates (from first to third place) is required. For the second and third candidate, necessary documents must be prepared in case of declination of scholarship by the first candidate.

6. Correspondence procedure

Alumni associations of each country are requested to handle the recruitment and selection of candidates for ASJA scholars. Therefore, after the submission of the original applications of the candidates to the Secretariat, necessary procedures will be made in contact with the alumni associations. ASJA Secretariat will not contact directly to the new selected ASJA scholars, only through alumni associations.

7. Time schedule of application for ASJA scholarship program

In principle, the enrollment of ASJA Scholarship starts in April of a year. The enrollment for October may be given special consideration subject to availability of vacancy and other circumstances.

(1) April Enrollment

Application deadline:	August 20
Screening/elimination:	August 21-31
Interviews:	September 1-20
Submission dead line of successful candidates:	October 10*
*The original application forms & other documents must reach ASJA Secretariat by the deadline	
Screening by ASJA Board:	October 11-31
Final result release from ASJA Secretariat:	November 1

(2) October Enrollment

Application deadline:	February 20
Screening/elimination:	February 21-28
Interviews:	March 1-20
Submission dead line of successful candidates:	April 10*
*The original application forms & other documents must reach ASJA Secretariat by the deadline	
Screening by ASJA Board:	April 11-30
Final Result Release from ASJA Secretariat:	May 1