

**INTERNATIONAL PRIORITY GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

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Application Form for Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship  
(an attached set of sheets )

## ***1. International Priority Graduate Programs (PGP) for Students Granted by Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship***

### **I-1. Number of Students for Admission**

Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship foreign students: 8 students.

### **I-2. Qualifications for Application**

- (1) Nationality: Applicants must be citizens of qualified countries by Japanese Government as of December 25, 2013.
- (2) Age limit: Under 35 years old as of October 1, 2014 (i.e., born in or after October 2, 1979)
- (3) Academic background:
  - (a) Those people who held or are to receive a Master's degree awarded by a post graduate school outside Japan by September 30, 2014.
  - (b) Those with qualifications equivalent to a Master's degree accorded by Shizuoka University.
- (4) Health: Those who are certified as both physically and mentally healthy by a qualified and recognized physician.
- (5) Language: Applicants who possess a certificate of official English qualification such as TOEFL, TOEIC, Cambridge Certificate, etc.
- (6) Time of arrival: Successful applicants must arrive in Japan between October 1 and October 7, 2014.

### **Remarks:**

- (1) Following persons are not eligible for this course:
  - 1) Military personnel and military civilian employees who remain on active duty.
  - 2) Those ones who do not arrive within the time limit.
  - 3) A person whose spouse is a Japanese Government Scholarship student. (Even if husband and wife apply for this scholarship, both of them will not be selected at the same time.)
  - 4) Those who receive financial support from their government or other organizations.
- (2) Those from the universities with an agreement of exchange program with Shizuoka University have priority in evaluation process.
- (3) It is strictly prohibited that the applicants cancel this scholarship by getting another one from other countries.

### **I-3. Duration of Scholarship: Three years, from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2017.**

### **I-4. Scholarship and Benefits**

- (1) Under the fiscal 2013 budget each grantee will be provided monthly with 153,000 yen.  
(Shizuoka:+2,000 yen)
- (2) Travel expenses:

Onward travel: An economy class air ticket from the nearest international airport of the student's home to the New Tokyo International Airport (or, if more economical, Nagoya international airport) will be given.

Return travel: An economy class air ticket from the New Tokyo International Airport (or Nagoya international airport) to the closest international airport of the student's home, will be given to those persons who will be leaving after the scholarship period and before the expiry of the time limit designated by Monbukagakusho.

\* Fees of travel insurance for both onward and return trips are to be paid by the student.

- (3) Fees for entrance examination, admission, and tuition will be exempted.
- (4) In addition to these, a sum of 25,000 yen for initial relocation expenses and reimbursement of 80% of medical costs will be available from the Association of International Education, Japan.

#### I-5. Description of the International Priority Graduate Programs (PGP)

- (1) Supervising professors of these programs should be in the Departments of Nanovision Technology and Optoelectronics-and-Nanostructure Science.
- (2) Thesis work in supervising professor's laboratory is to be carried out in English.
- (3) All the lectures listed in the following pages will be given in English, if one or more PGP students take the lecture.
- (4) Students will be expected to write a thesis based on research carried out during the course and submit it to examiners in the Graduate School of Science and Technology (GSST), Shizuoka University for evaluation. A student will be awarded the Doctor of Philosophy, if he or she has passed the examination of thesis.

#### I-6. Application Procedure

An original and a copy of the following documents must be lodged with the host professor before the deadline of December 20, 2013. (All of these documents must arrive by the deadline.)

All of the following documents must be sent by registered air mail.

- (1) Application Form for Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho:MEXT) Scholarship (use the format supplied; 001\_Application\_form.doc). Print on the both side of paper.
- (2) Research Plan (use the format supplied; 002\_Research\_Plan.doc).
- (3) Pledge (use the format supplied; 004\_Pledge.doc).
- (4) Medical Certificate issued by a public hospital within the last six months (use the format supplied; 003\_Certificate\_of\_Health.pdf).
- (5) Original of Master's Degree Certificate and Bachelor's Degree Certificate or a certified letter from the postgraduate school at which the applicant is currently enrolled, stating the expected graduation date.
- (6) Official Academic Transcript of undergraduate and graduate school records.
- (7) A photocopy of Master's thesis. If the thesis is not written in English, please attach a summary in English, on A4-size paper, to the thesis. Copies of any academic research publications in English, if any, should also be submitted. An applicant who was not required to write a thesis for the Master's degree must state this in his (her) application form and submit a copy of any academic research papers instead of the thesis.

- (8) Certificate of Citizenship or Proof of Residence in the applicant's home country or other positive proof of citizenship, or a color copy of passport and declaration of citizenship.
- (9) Letter of recommendation by the dean or head of the institution / employing body to the president of Shizuoka University. Another recommendation letter by, preferably, the applicant's supervising professor, other teaching staff, or supervisor in the employing body with a personal knowledge of the applicant to the president of Shizuoka University.
- (10) 2 photographs (6x4 cm; upper front figure without hat, taken within the last six months). Name and nationality must be indicated on the reverse side. One photograph must be fixed at the specified place on the application form, and the other must be in an envelope.
- (11) Certificate of official English qualification such as TOEFL, TOEIC, Cambridge Certificate, etc.  
(Unnecessary if you are a native speaker of English.)
- (12) Letter of Approval from the Government, if necessary (Nationals of Indonesia are required to, while those of The People's Republic of China are advised to confirm the approval of their respective immigration authorities well in advance).
- (13) Presentation in the internet interview should cover the following A and B.

**A. Research or study in the Master's course and/or most recent research**

**B. Future research plan**

Presentation time will be around 15 min. A corresponding presentation file should be submitted in advance by January 20, 2014, in ppt, pdf or doc format by E-mail addressed to;

**oknara@ipc.shizuoka.ac.jp**

**NOTE**

- 1) All applicants should note that they must keep in close contact with the prospective supervisory professor at Shizuoka University in order to formulate a research plan which must be submitted for approval by Monbukagakusho.
- 2) The above documents should be type-written in English on A4 format.
- 3) Applications will not be accepted if any of the above documents are incomplete, incorrect or lacking supporting evidence. Applications arriving after the deadline will not be accepted.
- 4) All documents once submitted will not be returned.

**I-7. Evaluation of Applicants**

- (1) Shizuoka University will select eight candidates for recommendation to Monbukagakusho, by total consideration for their applications and results of the evaluation process below. The internet-interview will be held, only when a face-to-face interview cannot be done.

**a) Interview:**

- a-1) When an applicant makes presentation on his/her research in international conferences organized by Shizuoka University (for example, Inter-Academia), his/her scholastic ability, research ability, research motivation and English ability will be evaluated through discussions by professors who belong to GSST. Also, during the period of the conference, an interview will be separately done.

a-2) When an applicant and professors of GSST attend any of other international conferences and make presentations, evaluation through discussions and an interview will be done in the same manner as in a-1).

b) Internet-interview:

Three professors of GSST for each applicant will be assigned as the committee for evaluation, and they make questions to the applicant, based on his/her Master Thesis, research plan, Academic Transcript of undergraduate and graduate school records and other application documents. His/her scholastic ability, research ability, research motivation and English ability will be evaluated through a presentation and discussions (see I-6,(13)). Internet-interview time will be around one hour, including the presentation (around 15 minutes).

c) English ability:

International certificate of English qualification, such as TOEFL, TOEIC, Cambridge Certificate, etc., will be referred to.

d) Academic transcript of school records:

School records, preferably explicitly indicating his/her grade among students, will be referred to, considering the level of the university evaluated from an international view.

e) The others:

When an applicant and his/her prospective supervising professor have known each other through academic communication, evaluation by the professor will be referred to.

- (2) Shizuoka University recommends eight candidates from all the applicants to Monbukagakusho by screening through the above evaluation process (1).
- (3) Based on the recommendation of Shizuoka University, Monbukagakusho will screen and authorize admission of candidates as foreign students to be supported by the scholarship.
- (4) Applicants will be notified of the results of their application by the middle of June in 2014. Successful applicants will be enrolled at GSST, Shizuoka University as full-time graduate students.

## I-8. Caution

- (1) The payment of scholarship to an enrolled student may be terminated and admission can be canceled any time after enrollment if:
  - 1) Any of the information supplied with an application is later found to be false.
  - 2) The pledge declared to the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology is broken.
  - 3) He or she has been subjected to a disciplinary action or judged by Shizuoka University to be unable to continue the program.
- (2) Successful applicants are expected to learn and understand the geography, climate, customs and habits of Japan as well as the general features and conditions of Shizuoka University in advance. Thesis work is to be carried out in English, but students are expected to understand Japanese for daily use.