

Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship FAQ

Q1. How many students can each university nominate?

A1. Since this scholarship is very competitive, we advise you to have an internal selection in advance and nominate just one candidate to us. We understand it is difficult to choose one among those good students in such a short period, but your help would be greatly appreciated.

Q2. As thesis is not a graduation requirement for undergraduate level at our university, I currently do not have a graduation thesis to submit. In this case, what would fulfill the required document no. 9?

A2. It is appreciated if you would send us the following items: i) An academic paper that substitutes a graduation thesis. It could be any graduation project or an academic report submitted in class. It is better if it is 10-20 pages long. ii) An official letter stating that your university does not require a graduation thesis as a graduation requirement.

Q3. For my letter of recommendation from the Dean, is it acceptable for me to scan the letter itself then send it via e-mail?

A3. For the letter of recommendation, you can scan the letter and send it to us by email. However, you also need to submit the original letter enclosed in a sealed envelope by university staff. It is recommended to ask the dean or staff of exchange program to scan and email the letter directly to us before they seal it in the envelope.

Q4. Regarding the certification of nationality or family register, what document could I send in?

A4. For the certification of nationality, an official copy of birth certificate, a copy of national identity card, etc., are acceptable. Please also include a copy of your passport just in case.

Q5. I had received JASSO scholarship last year, so I'm curious whether I'm still eligible here or not?

A5. It is eligible for students to apply for the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho:MEXT) Scholarship (University recommendation) even if they had received JASSO Scholarship before. "Japanese Government Scholar" refers to a person receiving Japanese Government Scholarship (Monbukagakusho) by either applying to Japanese embassy/consulates in his/her country. However, Japanese government forbids a student from applying to JASSO Scholarship and the Monbukagakusho Scholarship synchronically or studying in Japan with JASSO Scholarship until and after **October 2013**.