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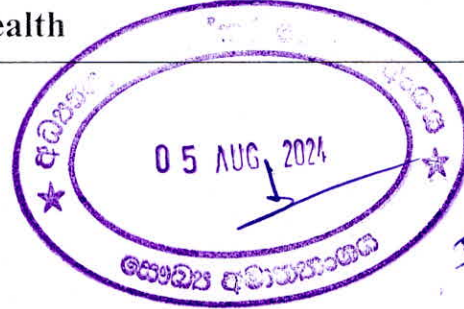
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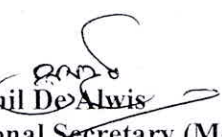
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Application for the Young Leader's Program

As requested by the Embassy of Japan, Ministry of Health may nominate up to two candidates for Healthcare Administration for the training course of "Young Leader's Program". Details were provided with given annexure (Annexure I).

Please kindly inform the membership of College of Medical Administrators who wish to apply for above scholarship. Dead line for the application will be 28th of August. Please kindly forward the applications to the Additional Secretary, Medical Services Unit, before the 23th of August for the purpose of Recommendation.


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THE EMBASSY OF JAPAN
IN THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST
REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA



24 July 2024

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The Embassy of Japan in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and has the honour to request the Ministry to nominate, in coordination with the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Health, suitable candidates from Sri Lanka to attend the “Young Leaders’ Program (YLP)” administrated by the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) and Nagoya University under the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho : MEXT) Scholarship for 2025.

The outline of the programme, application form and other related documents are enclosed hereto. Candidates are required to use the correct and updated versions provided. The Ministry may nominate up to two (2) candidates for each category and forward complete applications to the Embassy before 28 August, 2024 for due consideration by the relevant authorities in Japan. Kindly be informed that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Health are the sole authorities of the Government of Sri Lanka to nominate the candidates of the said program.

The Embassy of Japan in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka the assurances of its highest consideration.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Republic Building
Colombo 1

Encl: 1. Outline of Program
 2. Guidelines
 3. Application Guidelines
 4. Application
 5. Recommendation Form
 6. Essay Questions
 7. Certificate of Health

Cc: Ministry of Finance



Outline of Young Leaders' Program

1. Objectives

The Young Leaders' Program (YLP) is one of the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Programs commenced in 2001. YLP aims to contribute to cultivate future national leaders in Asian and other countries, moreover, to contribute to establish friendly relationship among various countries and to improve policy planning activities by forming a network among national leaders through deepening their understanding of Japan.

2. Eligible Countries and Participants

Young public administrators, business managers and legal professionals who are expected to play active roles as future national leaders in Asian and other countries have an eligibility to apply for the YLP program. (See below 3 for Courses, Host Universities and details about eligible participants.)

3. Courses and Host Universities

There are five courses in the YLP Program (Government, Local Governance, Business Administration, Law and Healthcare Administration). All courses commence in September or October, and offer a one-year master's program conducted in English. Students who complete the course are awarded a Master's Degree. The host universities of the courses are as follows:

Courses	Host Universities	Number of Accepted Students Per Year	Eligible Participants (Professional Experience*)
School of Government	National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)	20	Those who have at least 3 years of full-time work experience (preferably 5 years or more) in public administration
School of Local Governance	National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)	10	Those who have at least 3 years of full-time work experience (preferably 5 years or more) in public administration
Business Administration	Hitotsubashi University	15	Entrepreneurs, business managers and public officials who have at least 2 years of full-time work experience
Law	Kyushu University	15	Those who have at least 4 years of work experience in a law office or in the legal section of a company or government department
Healthcare Administration	Nagoya University	10	Those who have at least 3 years of full time working experience in healthcare fields in public sector at government department

* Please find more details about eligibility of applicants from the Application Guidelines of each course.

4. Recruitment and Selection

The recruitment of applicants and nomination of candidates to the Embassy of Japan are conducted by the recommending institutions (*). Subsequently, the selection is conducted in the following process.

- (1) First screening by the host universities (through document screening and interview)
- (2) Second screening by the YLP Committee established by MEXT
- (3) Finalization of selection results by MEXT

(*) Roles of Recommending Institutions

Recommending institutions are government bodies and relevant organizations in the eligible countries qualified by MEXT to take roles of recruitment and nomination of candidates to the YLP program. MEXT also designates courses of which each recommending institution can nominate candidates. The roles of recommending institutions in the process of recruitment and nomination are as follows (See 'GUIDELINES FOR JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2024: YOUNG LEADERS' PROGRAM (YLP) STUDENTS' for more details.):

- Notification about the YLP Program and acceptance of applications
- Selection of candidates to be recommended
- Recommendation of candidates to the Embassy of Japan
- Notification of results to candidates

5. Scholarship Benefits for YLP Students (2025)

- (1) Allowance: 242,000 JPY per month
- (2) Education Fees: Fees for tuition, matriculation and entrance examination are exempted.
- (3) Traveling Costs: Airline tickets from his/her home country to Japan and vice versa are provided.

6. Further Information

For more details about recruitment and curriculum guidelines of each course, please find the latest version of the Application Guidelines. Please also see the following websites for details about each course.

- School of Government and School of Local Governance:
National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)
https://www.grips.ac.jp/en/education/inter_programs/leader/
- Business Administration
Hitotsubashi University Business School, School of International Corporate Strategy (Hitotsubashi ICS)
<https://www.ics.hub.hit-u.ac.jp/admissions/mba/financing.html>
- Law
Kyushu University, Graduate School of Law
<http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/programs/english/html/programs-admissions/academic-programs/ylp-ll-m/>
- Healthcare Administration
Nagoya University, Graduate School of Medicine
https://www.med.nagoya-u.ac.jp/medical_E/laboratory/basic-med/social-science/ylp/

**GUIDELINES FOR JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2025
YOUNG LEADERS' PROGRAM (YLP) STUDENTS**

YEAR-LONG SCHEDULE (PRELIMINARY)

SCHEDULE	
2024	
July	Applications for YLP open.
By End of September	Qualified Institutions recommend candidates to the Embassy of Japan with necessary documents.
2025	
From January to February	The Japanese universities conduct first screening.
March	The YLP Committee in MEXT conducts second screening.
April	MEXT notifies the results through the Embassy to the institutions.
August-September	MEXT provides airline tickets to the grantees through the Embassy.
September-October	Students arrive in Japan.

*Note: This schedule is preliminary. Detailed schedules will be announced separately through the Embassy of Japan in your country.

I INFORMATION CONCERNING RECRUITMENT OF STUDENTS

1 Number of Scholarship Recipients

In YLP there are five courses, and each course will accept 10 to 20 students in total. Available courses vary by country.

Depending on the situation of the Japanese Government's budget, the number of students to be accepted and the scholarship conditions could differ from those described in the Application Guidelines of each course.

2 Important Points on Eligibility Requirements and Application Procedures

- (1) Applicants must have graduated with excellent grades from a university and be able to study in a Japanese university for one year.
- (2) Applicants must meet all qualifications and requirements stated in the Application Guidelines of each course. The requirements must be observed strictly, and any personal exceptions will not be allowed.
- (3) The number of grantees is limited, and all candidates will be evaluated comparatively. Therefore, candidates who meet all qualifications still might not be selected. (It is also possible that none of the candidates from your institution will be selected.) Please take this point into consideration when recommending candidates.
- (4) Some students in the past returned to their respective home countries without completing the program due to mental or physical problems. In addition, some students required long-term treatment because they had come to Japan without completely curing infectious diseases such as tuberculosis, hepatitis, typhus, malaria, dysentery, and so on. With due consideration given to the fact that the students will be staying for a long period in a country with a very different environment from that in the home country, please make very sure of the student's medical condition (including past medical history), and try to ensure that any student with an illness requiring treatment receives such treatment before coming to Japan.
- (5) Military personnel or military civilian employees at the time of their arrival in Japan and/or during the period of the payment of the scholarship are not eligible.
- (6) Make sure applicants are not applying for another program for which scholarship payments will begin in fiscal year 2025 through Japanese government including JDS.

3 Notice Method

Each institution can decide how to notify students about this Scholarship. However, the notification should be done in the most effective way in order to ensure that outstanding students will apply for the Scholarship.

Application Guidelines may be obtained from the Embassy of Japan, or can be downloaded from the MEXT's website:
<https://www.mext.go.jp/en/policy/education/highered/title02/detail02/sdetail02/sdetail02/1374094.htm>

In addition, applicants should be instructed to seek information about the universities offering YLP courses through websites of each university. (Please see the Application Guidelines of each course for the relevant URLs.)

4 Acceptance of Application Forms

Please make sure that applicants observe the application deadline strictly and submit all the necessary documents (including required copies of documents). The recommending institution must verify if all application forms are completed correctly and not lacking any necessary documents. Please accept the application forms only when necessary corrections are made by the applicants. On acceptance, please make sure particularly following points.

- (1) The language and translations
Documents must be filled out or written in English. Attach an English translation if they are written in another language.
- (2) Documents to be submitted
 - (a) Application form
 - (i) The prescribed forms of this year must be used for application. Please fill out the forms clearly (especially the applicant's name) and put an application form and all other necessary documents of each applicant together into one envelope.
 - (ii) In the column of 'Educational Background', please write the names of the schools or institutions that the applicant attended in the spaces of 'Elementary Education', 'Secondary Education' and 'Higher Education' which correspond to the Japanese education system of 'Elementary Education - Elementary School', 'Secondary Education - Lower/Upper Secondary School' and 'Higher Education - Undergraduate/Graduate school'.

*Note: Please write the exact number of years that the applicant was enrolled in each institution. If an applicant skipped a year in any school or institution, it must be mentioned.

(b) Certified grade transcripts for each academic year

Transcripts of the certified grades earned by the applicant in all the subjects studied for each academic year at the student's undergraduate and/or graduate schools are necessary (A degree certificate or a graduation certificate simply showing the ranking of the applicant at graduation will not substitute for academic transcripts. The transcripts must show the grade scale applied.). If the transcript is not duplicable, a certified true copy of the original transcript should be submitted. Every year there are many incomplete applications that the original transcripts are not attached or the submitted copies are not verified. Please read the Application Guidelines carefully.

(c) Recommendation letters

Please make sure to issue recommendation letters from your institution for the applicant. There are many cases that such letters are not attached. In a letter, there should be included detailed description of the applicant's personality such as academic ability, motivation for studying in Japan and Japanese language, experience of study abroad.

For 'Recommendation Letter from the applicant's direct superior at work' and 'Recommendation Letter from the applicant's superior at work or supervising professor at the university', only those written on the prescribed forms will be accepted. Please make sure that applicants submit all of two letters.

(d) Certificate of health

Applicants must use the prescribed form and have the doctor fill out all items in the form. Recommending institutions must choose medical institutions for the physical examination.

In the past, some students were affected with illness such as tuberculosis and mental disorder after arriving in Japan even though they have not stated having any illness at the interview conducted by recommending institutions. Please take this fact into account when you interview and examine applicants. Please mention in the recommendation letter when there are applicants with disabilities who need special care to study in Japan. If there is a change in your health condition (including any serious changes relating to your life plan) after you have submitted your health certificate, please promptly share this information with the Embassy of Japan located in the applicant's country of nationality since it concerns the acceptance system of the accepting university and Japanese medical institutions.

(e) Graduation certificate (English translation must be attached)

A graduation certificate from graduate and/or undergraduate schools must be submitted. Every year there are many incomplete applications that the original transcripts are not attached or the submitted copies are not verified. Please read the Application Guidelines carefully.

(f) An essay of 3 pages explaining reason for application and future plans

An essay within 3 pages must be submitted. In the essay the reason for application and applicant's future plans after the completion of YLP must be explained concisely and concretely.

(g) Certificate of English proficiency

Every year there are many cases that certificates are not submitted. Please make sure that applicants submit them.

(3) Serial numbering on the documents

The Application Guidelines require applicants to write the serial number in the upper right-hand corner of the documents. In case the serial numbers are not indicated by applicants, the recommending institution should indicate the numbers on the documents accordingly.

(4) Incomplete application documents

Application documents not completed fully and correctly or lacking necessary documents will not be accepted. If applicants cannot get any of necessary documents because of the circumstances in their home countries, such documents could be substituted by the ones certified to be true by the issuing authority, the government in their home countries or the Embassy of Japan.

5 Applicants Staying in Japan

Recommending institutions can decide whether they permit exceptionally the application of people already staying in Japan, but applicants living in their home countries have priority over those people. However, those who have been currently enrolled in a Japanese university with a status of residence of "Student" and those who are enrolled or scheduled to be enrolled as a privately financed international student during the period from the beginning of application to the beginning of the scholarship payment are not eligible.

II SELECTION OUTLINE

The candidates to be recommended to MEXT through the Embassy of Japan and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan should be selected in accordance with the following method.

1 Method of Selection

Each recommending institution can use the selection method at their discretion, but is asked to examine accurately each applicant's English ability, personality, reasons for applying, etc. in full consideration with the objectives and characteristics of each course.

2 Criteria for Selection

Candidates must meet the following criteria along with the required qualifications:

- (1) Candidates must have excellent grades and have the ability to study the major they wish to pursue;
- (2) Candidates must be physically and mentally healthy (Special attention should be paid to those with pre-existing conditions such as mental disorders, malaria, tuberculosis, diabetes, hepatitis, etc., as they often develop such conditions after coming to Japan.);
- (3) Candidates must have a verifiable identity;
- (4) Candidates must be able to easily adapt to an unfamiliar environment and a different culture;
- (5) Candidates must have a rich international cultural understanding;

APPLICATION GUIDELINES
JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2025
YOUNG LEADERS' PROGRAM (YLP) STUDENT (HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION)

I OUTLINE

1. Objectives

The Young Leaders' Program (YLP) aims to contribute to cultivate future national leaders in Asian and other countries, moreover, to contribute and establish friendly relationship among various countries and to improve policy planning activities by forming a network among national leaders thorough deepening their understanding of Japan. The YLP is one of the Japanese Government (MEXT*) Scholarship Programs.

*MEXT: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

2. Eligible Countries and Participants

Participants are selected from the countries listed below. They should be young public administrators in healthcare and allied sectors who are expected to play active roles as future national leaders in their respective countries.

Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Philippines,
Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam

(12 countries in alphabetical order)

3. Host University

Department of Healthcare Administration, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine

4. Expected number of students

Approximately 10 students

5. Recruitment and Selection

(1) Recruitment

Recruitment will be conducted through recommending authorities in the respective countries. Please contact the Japanese Embassy in your country for further information.

(2) Screening Procedure

- ① First screening by the recommending authorities of each country
- ② Second screening by host university based on application documents
- ③ Third screening through interviews of candidates, conducted by faculty members of host university
- ④ Primary selection based on total scores of the second and third screenings along with comments of interviewers
- ⑤ Final selection by the YLP committee established by MEXT

6. Program Outline (Refer to the appendix "Curriculum Guidelines".)

(1) Basic Concepts

The curriculum is suitable for rearing national leaders in the field of healthcare administration, seeking to take advantage of Japan's experiences of exchange with both Western and Asian countries, and establish a human network through various activities such as special lectures and field study trips/site visits.

(2) Duration and Degree Conferred

Course duration is one year. Master of Science in Health Care Administration is conferred by Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine.

(3) Medium of instruction

All lectures and academic activities are conducted in English.

7. Commencement of the Program
October 2025

II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

MEXT will offer scholarships to international students who wish to study in a Japanese university as YLP students for the academic year 2025-2026 under the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship Program. The conditions for the healthcare administration course are as follows:

1. Field of Study

Healthcare Administration
(Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine)

2. Qualifications

- (1) Nationality: Nationals of the country participating in the YLP. An applicant who has Japanese nationality at the time of application will not be eligible. However, persons with dual nationality who hold Japanese nationality and whose place of residence at the time of application is outside of Japan are eligible to apply as long as they choose the nationality of the other country and renounce their Japanese nationality by the date of their arrival in Japan (the acquisition of student status).
- (2) Age: In principle, under 40 years old as of October 1, 2025 (i.e. born on or after October 2, 1985). However, age limitation may be flexible. The ability/achievement of the applicants, as well as the situations in applicants' country, are taken into account.
- (3) Academic Background: A bachelor degree in health related fields.
- (4) Competency in English: Applicants are expected to have a minimum IELTS (Academic) score of 6.0 or TOEFL-iBT score of 80 or equivalent. Applicants are required to have the ability to join discussions and write papers in English without any supplementary lessons of English.
- (5) Work Experience: In principle, at least 3 years of full time working experience as of October 1, 2025 in healthcare fields in public sector at government department, and holding office continuously in the same work place at the point of application and after the entrance.
- (6) Health: Applicants must be judged that you are medically adequate to pursue study in Japan by an examining physician on a prescribed certificate of health.
- (7) Intention to enroll: If selected, applicants must commit to enrolling in the program.
- (8) Arrival in Japan: In principle, applicants must be able to arrive in Japan during the period specified by the accepting university, within two weeks before and after the first day of the course conducted by the accepting university. If the applicant cannot arrive in Japan during the specified period for personal reasons, travel expenses to Japan will not be paid.
- (9) Visa Requirement: Applicants shall, in principle, newly obtain a "Student" visa at the Japanese Embassy located in the applicant's country of nationality and enter Japan with the status of residence as "Student." If the applicant resides in Japan exceptionally before acceptance, the applicant must change or renew his/her status of residence to as "Student" by the end of the month prior to the installment of the first scholarship payment. Even if the applicant originally held a status of residence such as "Permanent Resident" or "Long-term Resident", he/she should be aware that the original status might not be necessarily regranted after the expiration of the status as a MEXT Scholarship student.
- (10) Return to home country and resumption of work after the scholarship period: In accordance with the objectives of the YLP, after the scholarship period, applicants are expected to make efforts to build friendly relationships among various countries, including Japan, by creating human and intellectual networks among leaders in countries across the world. To this end, applicants should, in principle, return to their home countries by the end of the final month of the scholarship period and resume their work at the recommending authorities or the organization designated by the recommending authorities among others.
- (11) Non-Eligibility: Applicants who meet any or all of the following conditions are not eligible. If identified after acceptance of the scholarship grantees, the applicants will be required to withdraw from the scholarship:

- ① Those who are military personnel or military civilian employees at the time of their arrival in Japan or during the period of the payment of the scholarship;
- ② Those who cannot arrive in Japan (Nagoya) by the last date of the period designated by the accepting university;
- ③ Those who are already enrolled in a Japanese university or other institution with a residence status of “Student” or who are going to be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in a Japanese university or other institution as a privately-financed international student from the time of application to the MEXT scholarship program in the applicant’s country until the commencement of the period for payment of the MEXT scholarship. However, this stipulation does not apply to privately-financed international students who, even though they are enrolled, or are planning to enroll, in a Japanese university, verifiably complete their studies before the start of the scholarship payment period, return to their home country at the time of the scholarship application, and newly acquire the “Student” residence status and come to Japan;
- ④ Those who are currently also applying to another program under the Japanese Government Scholarship system. This includes the programs for which scholarship payments will begin in FY2024, although their final selection results have not been decided yet, and the programs for which scholarship payments will begin in FY2025;
- ⑤ Those who are planning to receive other scholarships or fellowships from Japanese government, a Japanese government-related organization and others after the start of the scholarship payment period;
- ⑥ Holders of dual nationality at the time of application who cannot verify that they will give up Japanese nationality by the time of the arrival in Japan (the acquisition of student status);
- ⑦ Those who change their residence status to that of other than “Student” after their arrival in Japan;
- ⑧ Those who plan to, from the time of application for the MEXT scholarship program, engage in long-term research (such as fieldwork or internship) outside Japan or plan to take a long-term leave of absence from the university;

3. Period of Scholarship

One year from October 2025 to September 2026

4. Scholarship Benefits

- (1) Allowance: 242,000 yen per month. Due to the situation of the Japanese Government’s budget, the amount of payment may be subject to change each fiscal year. The scholarship will not be paid to a grantee who takes a leave of absence or is long absent from the assigned university.
- (2) Traveling Costs
 - ① Transportation to Japan: In principle, MEXT stipulates the travel schedule and route, and provides an economy-class airline ticket from the international airport nearest to his/her home address (in principle, the country of nationality) to the Central Japan International Airport [Centrair]. The grantee shall bear at his/her own expense all costs related to domestic travel from his/her home address to the nearest international airport, airport taxes, airport usage fees, special taxes necessary for travel, travel expenses within Japan (including airline transit costs), travel insurance expenses, carry-on luggage or unaccompanied baggage expenses, etc. The grantee shall also bear at his/her own expense for travel and lodging costs incurred in a third country in case there are no direct flights from the grantee’s country of nationality to the Central Japan International Airport [Centrair]. In such cases, MEXT will provide an economy-class airline ticket from the grantee’s country of nationality to the said third country, and from the third country to an international airport in Japan used on the normal route to the host university. The present address in the country of the grantee’s nationality stated in the application form is in principle regarded as the recipient’s “home address.” If, however, the address stated in the application form will be changed at the time of leaving from his/her country, the changed address will be regarded as the “home address”. For cases of travel to Japan from a country other than the grantee’s country of residence due to the grantee’s personal circumstances, MEXT will not provide an airline ticket. If a grantee will arrive in

Japan before or after the specified period stated in “2. (8) Arrival in Japan”, travel expenses will not be paid.

- ② Transportation from Japan: Based on the application by the grantee, MEXT will provide an airline ticket to grantees who shall graduate the accepting university and return to the home country by the end of the final month of the period of scholarship (See “3. Period of Scholarship”) designated by MEXT. MEXT, in principle, shall provide an economy-class airline ticket from the Centrair to the international airport (in principle, in the country of nationality) nearest to the returning grantee’s residence. The grantee shall bear at his/her own expense all costs related to travel from the grantee’s residence in Japan to the nearest international airport, airport taxes, airport usage fees, special taxes necessary for travel, travel expenses within the country of nationality (including airline transit costs), travel insurance expenses, carry-on luggage or unaccompanied baggage expenses, etc.
- (3) Education Fees: Fees for entrance examination, matriculation and tuition of the university will be paid by MEXT.
- (4) Accommodations: Nagoya University provides accommodation at the Nagoya University Dormitory for International Students for the duration of scholarship. Students reside in the provided dormitory.

5. Suspension of Payment of Scholarship

Payment of the scholarship will be stopped for the reasons given below. Should any of the following reasons apply, the grantee may be ordered to return a part of, or all of, the scholarship paid up to that time. Payment of the scholarship may also be stopped during the period up to the decision on the disposition of the matter.

- ① A grantee is determined to have made a false statement on his/her application.
- ② A grantee violates any article of his/her pledge to the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.
- ③ A grantee violates any Japanese laws and is sentenced and imprisoned for an indefinite period or for a period of exceeding 1 year;
- ④ A grantee is suspended from his/her university or receives other punishment, or is removed from enrollment; as a disciplinary action in accordance with school regulations of the accepting institution;
- ⑤ It has been determined that it will be impossible for a grantee to complete the course within the standard time period because of poor academic grades or suspension or absence from the university;
- ⑥ A grantee came to Japan without newly acquiring the “Student” residence status, or his/her residence status changed to one other than “Student”;
- ⑦ A grantee has received another scholarship (a scholarship or fellowship from Japanese government, a Japanese government-related organization and others) not approved for acceptance in conjunction with the MEXT Scholarship.
- ⑧ The request from the government and/or other state institutions of grantee’s home country.

6. Selection

- ① First screening by the recommending authorities of each country
- ② Second screening by host university based on application documents
- ③ Third screening through interviews of candidates, conducted by faculty members of host university
- ④ Primary selection based on total scores of the second and third screenings along with comments of Interviewers
- ⑤ Final selection by the YLP committee established by MEXT

7. Application Procedure

Please submit all required documents listed below by the designated date.

The submitted documents will not be returned. Please make sure to number the documents from ① to ⑪ (items numbered in the following “Required Documents”) in the right upper corner.

【Required Documents】

- (1) ①Completed application form (prescribed form only) -----1 original and 1 photocopy
- (2) Photographs (6x4cm, taken within the past 6 months, should be affixed on each of the 2 application forms)
-----2 originals
- (3) ②Official transcript of all universities the applicant attended
-----1 original and 1 photocopy
*If the document is not in English, a translation into **English** must be attached.
- (4) ③Recommendation letter from the recommending authority -----1 original and 1 photocopy
*If the document is not in English, a translation into **English** must be attached.
- (5) ④Two recommendation letters from the superior at applicant's present work or supervising professor of the university the applicant attended (Refer to the "Additional Guide for Application" in Page 5.)
-----1 original (each) and 1 photocopy (each)
- (6) ⑤Certificate of health (to be issued by the medical institution designated by Japanese Embassy)
-----1 original and 1 photocopy
- (7) ⑥Certificate of graduation from all universities the applicant attended(The date of issuance should be within six months from the date of application submission. Copies of diploma are not acceptable.)
-----1 original and 1 photocopy
- (8) ⑦Aspiration and future plan (Refer to the "Additional Guide for Application" in Page 5.)
Applicant's aspirations for the course and future plan after the completion of YLP.
-----1 original and 1 photocopy
- (9) ⑧Copy of passport (If not, please submit a copy of the applicant's family register or certificate of citizenship). *If the document is not in English, a translation into **English** is must be attached. -----
-----2 photocopies
- (10) ⑨English proficiency certificate (Official test score of IELTS, TOEFL, or Duolingo) (Refer to the "Additional Guide for Application" in Page 6.) -----1
Original and 1 photocopy
- (11) ⑩Title and outline of master's thesis (Refer to the "Additional Guide for Application" in Page 6.)
-----1 original and 1 photocopy
- (12) ⑪Typed curriculum vitae which provides detailed information on all work experience, extra-curricular healthcare related activities, and contact details such as an e-mail address and office/home address, at the time of application to this course. (Handwritten curricula vitae are not accepted)
-----1 original and 1 photocopy

【Application documents submission】

Submit to:

Recommending authorities of each participating country

* If any of the above-mentioned documents are incomplete, inaccurate or missing, your application will not be accepted.

8. Unavoidable Circumstances

In the event of unavoidable or unforeseen circumstances, Japanese Government reserves the right to change or cancel the arrival date, scholarship, and contents of the application guidelines here within, at any time before or after notification of the results of the final selection.

Unavoidable Circumstances are defined as events whose effects could not reasonably be prevented or controlled by MEXT or Ministry of Foreign Affairs (including Embassies and Consulate generals of Japan) including but not limited to acts of God, acts of government (including local government, hereafter referred to as government), acts of government authorities (including limitations on travel or immigration enacted by the Japanese government or other foreign countries' government due to the event of infectious disease), compliance with law, regulations or orders, fire, flooding and torrential rain, earthquakes, acts of war (regardless of a declaration of war), revolt, revolution or rebellion, strike, or lockout.

9. Notes

Additional Guide for Application

➤ Recommendation letters:

*Applies to: II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS, 7. Application Procedure 【Required Documents】
(5) ④ Two recommendation letters from the superior at the applicant's present work or supervising professor of the university the applicant attended

Two recommendation letters need to be submitted. At least one of the two must be written by the applicant's immediate superior at work. Recommendation letters must be used the stipulated format. If the document is not in English, a translation into English must be attached.

➤ Certificate of health:

*Applies to: II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS, 7. Application Procedure 【Required Documents】
(6) ⑤ Certificate of health (to be issued by the medical institution designated by Japanese Embassy)

If there is a change in your health condition (including any serious changes relating to your life plan) after you have submitted your health certificate, please promptly share this information with the diplomatic mission abroad since it concerns the acceptance system of the accepting university and the Japanese medical institution.

➤ Aspiration and future plan:

About your aspiration and future plan after completion of YLP (within 1200 words)

*Applies to: II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS, 7. Application Procedure 【Required Documents】
(8) ⑦ Applicant's aspirations for the course and future plan after the completion of YLP

Should include:

1. Your background, important achievements in your life/career, any unique abilities, and reasons for applying to the Young Leaders' Program
2. What are the most significant leadership activities you have undertaken to date?
3. How will this course contribute in the future development of your career and of your country?
4. What expectations do you have for this course?

➤ English Proficiency Certificate:

*Applies to: II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS, 7. Application Procedure 【Required Documents】
(10) ⑨ English proficiency certificate (Official test score of IELTS, TOEFL or Duolingo)

Applicants must submit an original score and a copy of TOEFL iBT, IELTS, or Duolingo taken after October 2022. In principle, the following scores must be obtained.

English Language Proficiency Test	Qualification(Minimum)	Remark
IELTS	Overall band score of 6	
TOEFL	80 iBT	
Duolingo English Test (DET)	110 and above	Send the score result online from Duolingo to the institution (Nagoya University) in addition to the copy of "Text Certificate".

➤ Title and outline of master's thesis:

About the master's thesis: an obligatory requirement for the course

*Applies to: II INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS, 7. Application Procedure [Required Documents]
(11) ⑩ Title and outline of master's thesis

The contents of the master's thesis should be (A) describing or comparing readily available information on health conditions and/or the health system, or (B) an analysis of data collected in a past survey. The data should be anonymous and collected before the start of the master course. The description should include the below items.

- 1) Proposed title
- 2) Background
- 3) Subjects:

In case of (A) - describing or comparing readily available information on health conditions and/or the health system, please include:

- i) names of the documents or data set used, such as regular government reports or databases
- ii) the name of the organization that created the materials, such as the Ministry of Health, or Statistical Bureau
- iii) the region or area where the information was collected from
- iv) the time period when the information was collected
- v) what kind of information is included.

In case of (B) – analyzing of data from a past survey, please include:

- i) the title of the survey
 - ii) a summary of the survey
 - iii) permission from the survey group to use the data, if necessary
 - iv) what data will be newly analyzed
 - v) the total number of subjects or participants in the survey.
- 4) Approval of ethics committee: If analyzing data from a past survey (B), please include the name of the ethics committee and date the survey was approved.
 - 5) References: List of papers related to thesis
 - 6) List and copies of papers published from International medical journals (if any papers but not conference abstracts)

Each of "Aspiration and future plan" and "Title and outline of master's thesis" should be a maximum of three A-4 size (297 x 210 mm) double-spaced pages using Arial 10/ Times New Roman 12 or any other standard 12 point fonts.

Young Leaders' Program (Healthcare Administration) Curriculum Guidelines

I Overview

1. The curriculum aims to explain how modern Japan has improved national living standards at a comparatively lower cost within the last half century by introducing the concept of Western methodology and adjusting it to the Japanese culture and social system, and how healthcare administration works in the practical world. Using this knowledge, the courses pursue methods to solve the problems of healthcare administration for the country concerned.
2. Each subject covers various aspects of healthcare administration so that each student can apply what he/she has acquired at this program to the actual situation of his/her country in accordance with the economic, social, and environmental background of the respective student.
3. Going beyond instruction in skills and knowledge, the curriculum will seek to cultivate students' own ideas to identify problems and develop the ability to find solutions.
4. The curriculum aims to create human networks and enhance the understanding of the experience of post-war Japan, through interaction with leading figures engaging in healthcare administration and other fields.
5. Great emphasis is placed on writing master's thesis in the curriculum. Students will be required to make a presentation of their master's thesis at the "Research Presentation on Master's Thesis". In addition to writing their master's thesis in English, students are encouraged to submit the manuscript of said thesis to an international journal in English. By implementing these activities, the curriculum aims to help students obtain knowledge and skills for writing publishable papers and giving presentations on their papers.

II Participants

The course is directed to healthcare/public health administrators with at least 3 years work experience in governmental medical and welfare organizations and who are expected to play the roles of future national leaders. All the classes will be conducted in English, so it is necessary to have enough command of English to be able to join discussions and write papers without any supplementary lessons of English. The selection will be based on an overall evaluation of work experience, English proficiency test score as IELTS, TOEF, the quality of the essays, proposed subject of master's thesis, recommendations from superiors, and an interview.

III Courses (total: 30 credits)

Healthcare Service Facilities and Professionals
 Administrative Regulations for Health
 Biostatistics
 Epidemiology
 Community Health and International Health
 Occupational and Environmental Health
 Health Insurance and Economics
 Medical Law
 Pharmacy Management
 Hospital Administration
 Seminar I
 Seminar II
 Seminar III
 Seminar IV
 Seminar V
 Colloquium
 Field Trips/Site Visits
 Master's Thesis
 Outline of Clinical Medicine

IV Further Information

For further information on Nagoya University and Young Leaders' Program (Healthcare Administration):

<http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/>

https://www.med.nagoya-u.ac.jp/medical_E/laboratory/basic-med/social-science/ylp/

APPLICATION FOR JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MEXT) SCHOLARSHIP

日本政府（文部科学省）奨学金留学生申請書

Young Leaders' Program Student for 2025 (Healthcare Administration)
(ヤング・リーダーズ・プログラム留学生) (医療行政コース)

INSTRUCTIONS (記入上の注意)

1. The application should be typewritten if possible, or neatly handwritten in block letters. (明瞭に記入すること。)
 2. Numbers should be in Arabic figures. (数字は算用数字を用いること。)
 3. Year should be written in the Anno Domini system. (年号はすべて西暦とすること。)
 4. Proper nouns should be written in full, and not be abbreviated. (固有名詞はすべて正式な名称とし、一切省略しないこと。)
- *Personal data entered in this application will only be used for scholarship selection purposes, and contact information such as e-mail addresses will only be used for forming related human networks after the student returns home and for sending of information by the Japanese Government.
(本申請書に記載された個人情報については、本奨学金の選考のために使用するほかは、特にE-mailアドレス等の連絡先については、帰国後における関係者のネットワークを作ること、及び必要に応じ日本政府より各種情報を送信する以外には使用しない。)

1. Name in Full in Your Native Language (姓名 (自国語))
- (Sex) ☐ Male (男) ☐ Female (女)
- (Family name/surname) (First name) (Middle name)
- In Roman Block Capital Letters (if written in the passport, follow that form)
(ローマ字、パスポート表記がある場合は、それに合わせる)
- (Marital Status) ☐ Single (未婚) ☐ Married (既婚)
- (Family name/surname) (First name) (Middle name)
2. Nationality (国 籍)
- 2-2. Possession of Japanese Nationality ☐ Yes, I have (はい) ☐ No, I don't have (いいえ)
- (日本国籍を有する者)

3. Date of Birth (生年月日)

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Year (年) Month (月) Day (日)

Age: as of October 1, 2025
(2025年10月1日現在の年齢)

4. Conferred Degree (Please check):

☐ Bachelor Degree ☐ Master's Degree ☐ Doctoral Degree
(取得した学位 学士/修士/博士)

Possessing License of Medical Profession (Please check):

☐ Medical Doctor ☐ Pharmacist ☐ Dentist ☐ Midwife ☐ Nurse
☐ Others [Specify:]
(所有する免許 医師/薬剤師/歯科医師/助産師/看護師/その他)

5. Present Status: with the name of the current work place

(現職 (勤務先名まで記入すること)、

現在の勤務先住所、電話番号、ファックス番号及びEメールアドレス)

Present Status (Workplace/ Position)

Current Work Address

Telephone number

Facsimile number

E-mail address

6. Present Home Address, Telephone Number, Facsimile Number, and E-mail Address

(現住所、電話番号、ファックス番号及びEメールアドレス)

Address

If the above present home address will be changed at the time of leaving from your country, please specify the changed address below. (渡日時の住所が上記現住所から変更になる場合が確定している場合は、下記に記入すること。)

Paste your passport photograph taken within the past 6 months. Write your name and nationality in block letters on the back of the photo.

(写真 (6 × 4 cm))

Telephone Number

Facsimile Number

E-mail Address

* If possible, write an E-mail address where you can be contacted for periods that include the time before you come to Japan, your stay in Japan and the period after you return home.
(可能な限り、渡日前～日本留学中～帰国後にわたり使い続けることが予想されるEメールアドレスを記入すること。)

7. Field of study specialized in the past (Describe as detailed and concrete as possible.)
(過去に専攻した専門分野 (できるだけ具体的に詳細に書くこと。))

8. Educational Background (学歴)

	Name and Address of School (学校名及び所在地)	MONTH and YEAR of Entrance and Completion (入学及び卒業年月)	Period of schooling You Have Attended (修学年数)	Diploma or Degree Awarded, Major Subject, Skipped Years and Levels (学位・資格、専攻科目、飛 び級の状況)
Elementary Education (初等教育)	Name (学校名)	From (入学)	years (年)	
Elementary School (小学校)	Location (所在地)	To (卒業)	and months (月)	
Secondary Education (中等教育)	Name (学校名)	From (入学)	years (年)	
Lower Secondary School (中学)	Location (所在地)	To (卒業)	and months (月)	
Upper Secondary School (高校)	Name (学校名)	From (入学)	years (年)	*-1
	Location (所在地)	To (卒業)	and months (月)	
Higher Education (高等教育)	Name (学校名)	From (入学)	years (年)	
Undergraduate Level (大学)	Location (所在地)	To (卒業)	and months (月)	
Graduate Level (大学院)	Name (学校名)	From (入学)	years (年)	
	Location (所在地)	To (卒業)	and months (月)	
Total years of schooling mentioned above (以上を通算した全学校教育修学年数)			years (年)	

*If the blank spaces above are not sufficient for information required, please attach a separate sheet. In such case, please stipulate that the information is on a separate page.

((注) 上欄に書ききれない場合には、適当な別紙に記入して添付すること。その場合は、別紙に記入する旨を上記学歴欄に明記すること。)

- Notes: 1. Exclude kindergarten education or nursery school education. (幼稚園・保育所教育は含まれない。)
2. Preparatory education for university admission is included in upper secondary school. (いわゆる「大学予備教育」は高校に含まれる。)
3. If the applicant possesses a high school-equivalent leaving qualification, indicate this in the blank with *-1. (高等学校卒業程度資格を有している場合には、その旨を*-1 欄に記入すること。)
4. Any school years or levels skipped should be indicated in the fifth column (Diploma or Degree awarded, Major Subject, Skipped Years and Levels). (Example: Graduated high school in two years, etc.)
(いわゆる「飛び級」をしている場合には、その旨を該当する教育課程の「学位・資格、専攻科目、飛び級の状況」欄に記載すること。(例: 高校3年次を飛び級により短期卒業))

5. If you attended multiple schools at the same level of education due to moving house or readmission to university, then write the schools in the same column and include the number of years of study and current status for each school. (住居の移転や大学の再入学等を理由に、同教育課程で複数の学校に在籍していた場合は、同じ欄に複数の学校の在籍を記載し、すべての修学状況を修学年数に含めること。)
6. Calculate and write the total number of years studied based on duration as a student. (including extended leave such as summer vacation) (修学年数合計は在籍期間を算出し、記入すること。(長期休暇も含める))

* Submission of typed curriculum vitae is required.

Please do not fail to attach curriculum vitae with detailed information in regard to your job/education history.

In your curriculum vitae, please make sure to describe all your job/educational history without making any gap years.

9. Employment Record. Begin with the most recent employment. (職歴)

Name and address of organization (勤務先及び所在地)	Period of employment (勤務期間)	Division/Section (課名)	Position (役職名)	Type of work (職務内容)
	From To			
	From To			

10. State the titles or subjects of books or papers (including graduation thesis authored by applicant), if any, with the name and address of publisher and the date of publication. Abstract of your papers should be attached.
(著書、論文(卒業論文を含む。)があればその題名、出版社名、出版年月日、出版場所。論文の摘要を添付のこと)

11. Extracurricular and Regional Activities
(課外活動又は地域社会での活動)

Extracurricular and Regional Activities (課外活動又は地域での活動)	Period (期間)

12. Japanese Language Proficiency: Evaluate your level and fill in with an X where appropriate in the following blanks.
(日本語能力を自己評価のうえ、該当欄に×印を記入すること。)

	Excellent (優)	Good (良)	Poor (不可)
Reading (読む能力)			
Writing (書く能力)			
Speaking (話す能力)			

13. Foreign Language Proficiency: Evaluate your level and fill in with an X where appropriate in the following blanks. About English, report your score of TOEFL or IELTS.

(外国語能力を自己評価のうえ、該当欄に×印を記入すること。ただし、英語については、TOEFL 又は IELTS のスコアを記入すること。)

	Excellent (優)	Good (良)	Poor (不可)
English (英語)			
French (仏語)			
German (独語)			
Spanish (西語)			

Score of TOEFL
(TOEFL のスコア)

Score of IELTS
(IELTS のスコア)

Score of Duolingo
(Duolingo のスコア)

OR

OR

14. Person to be notified in applicant's home country in case of emergency:

(緊急の際の母国の連絡先)

i) Name in full:

(氏名)

ii) Address: with telephone number, facsimile number, E-mail address

(住所: 電話番号、ファックス番号又はEメールアドレスを記入のこと。)

iii) Occupation:

(職業)

iv) Relationship:

(本人との関係)

The applicant understands that the Japanese government (MEXT) scholarship for 2025 program is his/her first choice, even if one has already applied to other scholarship options.

(申請者は、すでに他の奨学金に応募している場合でも、日本政府 (文部科学省) 2025年度奨学金プログラムを第一志望とすることを理解しています。)

If you agree to the above and are committed to participating in this scholarship program when you are selected for it, check the box on the right.

(上記に同意し、この奨学金プログラムに選ばれた際に参加することを確約する場合は、右のボックスにチェックを入れてください。)

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If you understand and accept all the matters stated in the Application Guidelines for the Japanese Government (MEXT) scholarship for 2025 and apply for it, check the box on the right. (2025 年度日本政府 (文部科学省) 奨学金留学生募集要項に記載されている事項をすべて了解して申請する場合は右記の口にチェックを入れること。)

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Date of Application:

(申請年月日)

Applicant's Name

(in Roman Block Capitals):

(申請者氏名)

Recommendation Form

To the Applicant

Please complete only the top portion of this form. Your recommender should complete the rest of the form.

Applicant's Name (Family)	(Given)	(Middle)
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To the Recommender

The person whose name appears above is applying for admission to the Young Leaders' Program.

Please provide your recommendation on your own letterhead or stationery. The Admissions Committee values the recommender's direct contact with the candidate. In your letter, please answer the following questions as candidly and specifically as possible:

Please return this form and your recommendation to the applicant in a sealed envelope, with your signature across the seal. The applicant will submit the sealed, signed envelope to us as part of the completed application package.

The Admissions Committee is aware of the time and care necessary to prepare this form. We gratefully acknowledge your help.

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

2. How often have you observed the applicant? (Please tick one box)

☐ every day ☐ 3 or 4 times a week ☐ 1 or 2 times a week ☐ 1 or 2 times a month
☐ less than once a month

3. Please provide a short list of specific activities which demonstrate the applicant's salient talents and strength, e.g., leadership, creativity.
4. Please discuss observations you have made concerning the applicant's leadership abilities. (Please tell the reason to judge that the applicant has a possibility to be a leader in your home country.)
5. Please discuss observations you have made concerning the applicant's interpersonal skills.
6. Please discuss observations you have made concerning the applicant's innovative/creative capabilities.

7. Please comment on specific ways the applicant could improve professionally.

8. Please give us your appraisal of the applicant in terms of the qualities listed below:
What reference group are you using to make your appraisal?

	Inadequate opportunity to observe	Below average (Bottom third)	Average (Middle third)	Good (Top third)	Very good (Top 15%)	Excellent (Top 10%)	Outstanding (Top 5%)	Exceptional (Top 2%)
Leadership potential								
Interpersonal skills								
Imagination and creativity								
Motivation and drive								
Personal integrity								
Self-confidence								
Personal maturity								
Sense of humor								
Self-discipline								
Intellectual ability								
Emotional energy								
Analytical/quantitative ability								
Ability in oral expression								
Time management								

9. Please write if you have any comment.

Please provide telephone numbers should the Admissions Committee feel a need to contact you regarding the reference.

☐ Business Telephone Number _____

☐ Home Telephone Number _____

Recommender's Signature _____

Recommender's Name (please print) _____ Date _____

Position or Title _____ Organization _____

Business Address _____

Home Address _____

Essay Questions

The following essay questions will provide us with more information about you and your reasons for applying to the Young Leaders' Program.

Your essays must be typed. Please use A4-size paper or 8 1/2" × 11" paper. Strictly limit your responses to the maximum number of words designated for each question. Use standard double-spaced lines. Your name should appear at the top of each separate sheet of paper. The number of the essay question should precede every essay. Staple the essays together and submit them with the other application materials.

1. What are your most significant accomplishments, activities, and life experiences to date? Please emphasize the events which highlight your unique abilities and personality. (maximum 500 words)
2. What is your leadership philosophy? Describe key individuals and/or experiences that shaped your philosophy. (maximum 500 words)

Supplemental Question

3. How did you become interested in the Young Leaders' Program? Please list specific information sources such as publications, alumni, faculty, and websites. (maximum 200 words)

健康診断書 (2025年度版)

(医師に記入してもらうこと)

日本語又は英語により明瞭に記載すること。

CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH (for 2025)

(to be completed by the examining physician)

Please fill out (PRINT/TYPE) in Japanese or English.

氏名 Name	Surname 姓		Given name 名		Middle name ミドルネーム	
性別 Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> 男 Male <input type="checkbox"/> 女 Female		生年月日 Date of Birth		年 月 日 yyyy mm dd	

1. 身体検査 Physical examination							
(1)身長 Height		cm		(2)体重 Weight		kg	
(3)血圧 Blood pressure		mmHg~ mmHg		(4)血液型 Blood type		<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> AB <input type="checkbox"/> O <input type="checkbox"/> RH+ <input type="checkbox"/> RH-	
(5)脈拍 Pulse		<input type="checkbox"/> 整 Regular /min <input type="checkbox"/> 不整 Irregular		(7)色覚異常の有無 Color blindness		<input type="checkbox"/> 正常 Normal <input type="checkbox"/> 異常 Impaired	
(6)視力 Eyesight Value		裸眼 Without glasses 右/R 左/L 矯正 With glasses or contact lenses 右/R 左/L		(8)聴力 Hearing		<input type="checkbox"/> 正常 Normal <input type="checkbox"/> 異常 Impaired	
				(9)言語 Speech		<input type="checkbox"/> 正常 Normal <input type="checkbox"/> 異常 Impaired	

2. 胸部聴診及びX線検査 (6ヶ月以内) Physical and X-ray examinations of the chest (within six months)							
撮影年月日 Date of X-ray		年 月 日 yyyy mm dd		フィルム番号 Film No.			
		(1) 肺 Lungs		<input type="checkbox"/> 正常 Normal <input type="checkbox"/> 異常 Impaired			
		(2) 心臓 Cardiomegaly		<input type="checkbox"/> 正常 Normal → (4)へ Go to (4) <input type="checkbox"/> 異常 Impaired → (3)へ Go to (3)			
		(3) 心電図 Electrocardiograph		<input type="checkbox"/> 正常 Normal <input type="checkbox"/> 異常 Impaired			
		(4) 胸部X線所見 Comment for the chest X-ray					

3. 現在治療中の病気 Disease currently being treated		<input type="checkbox"/> 無 No <input type="checkbox"/> 有 Yes (病名 Name of disease :)					
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4. 既往症 Past illness/disorder 該当するものにチェックし、完治時期/治療中を記入。いずれも該当しない場合は「なし」にチェックすること。 If it's applicable, tick <input type="checkbox"/> and fill in the date of recovery/under treatment. If NOT contracted any of them in the past, tick "None of below"		<input type="checkbox"/> なし None of below					
		<input type="checkbox"/> 結核 Tuberculosis					
		<input type="checkbox"/> マラリア Malaria					
		<input type="checkbox"/> その他感染症 Other communicable disease					
		<input type="checkbox"/> てんかん Epilepsy					
		<input type="checkbox"/> 腎疾患 Kidney disease					
		<input type="checkbox"/> 心疾患 Heart disease					
		<input type="checkbox"/> 糖尿病 Diabetes					
		<input type="checkbox"/> 薬剤アレルギー Drug allergy					
		<input type="checkbox"/> 精神疾患 Psychosis					
<input type="checkbox"/> 四肢機能障害 Functional disorder in the extremities							

5. ワクチン接種歴 Vaccination History 接種済みの場合、接種回数を記入 If already vaccinated, indicate the number of vaccinations		Time(s)		Time(s)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> MMRV (Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Zoster)		<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis B	
		<input type="checkbox"/> MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)		<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken pox	
		<input type="checkbox"/> MR (Measles, Rubella)		<input type="checkbox"/> Meningitis	
		<input type="checkbox"/> M (Measles)		<input type="checkbox"/> Polio	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Mumps		<input type="checkbox"/> Diphtheria Pertussis Tetanus combined	

6. 検査 Laboratory tests															
(1) 尿検査 Urinalysis		糖 Glucose		<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive		蛋白 Protein		<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive		潜血 Occult blood		<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive			
(2) 貧血検査 Anemia test		赤沈 ESR		mm/Hr		白血球数 WBC count		/cmm		血色素量 Hemoglobin		gm/dl		<input type="checkbox"/> 貧血 Anemia <input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive	
(3) 肝機能検査 LFT		GPT (ALT)		IU/l		GOT (AST)		IU/l		γ-GTP		IU/l			

7. 医師の診断・意見 Physician's impression of the applicant's health							
(1) 総評 Overall impression							
(2) 継続的治療・投薬の必要性がありますか。 Is there a need for regular treatment and medication?				<input type="checkbox"/> なし No <input type="checkbox"/> 必要あり Yes → (1)へ記入 Fill in (1)			
(3) 志願者の既往歴、診察・検査の結果から判断して、現在の健康の状況は十分に留学に耐えうるものと思われますか？ In view of the applicant's history and the above findings, is it your observation that his/her health status is adequate to pursue studies in Japan?				<input type="checkbox"/> はい Yes <input type="checkbox"/> いいえ No 必ず「はい」又は「いいえ」にチェックしてください。「はい」にチェックがない場合、大使館は申請を受理しません。Please be sure to check either "YES" or "NO". If you do not tick "YES", the Embassy will NOT accept the application.			

医師署名 Physician's Signature		日付 Date	
検査施設名 Office/Institution		所在地 Address	

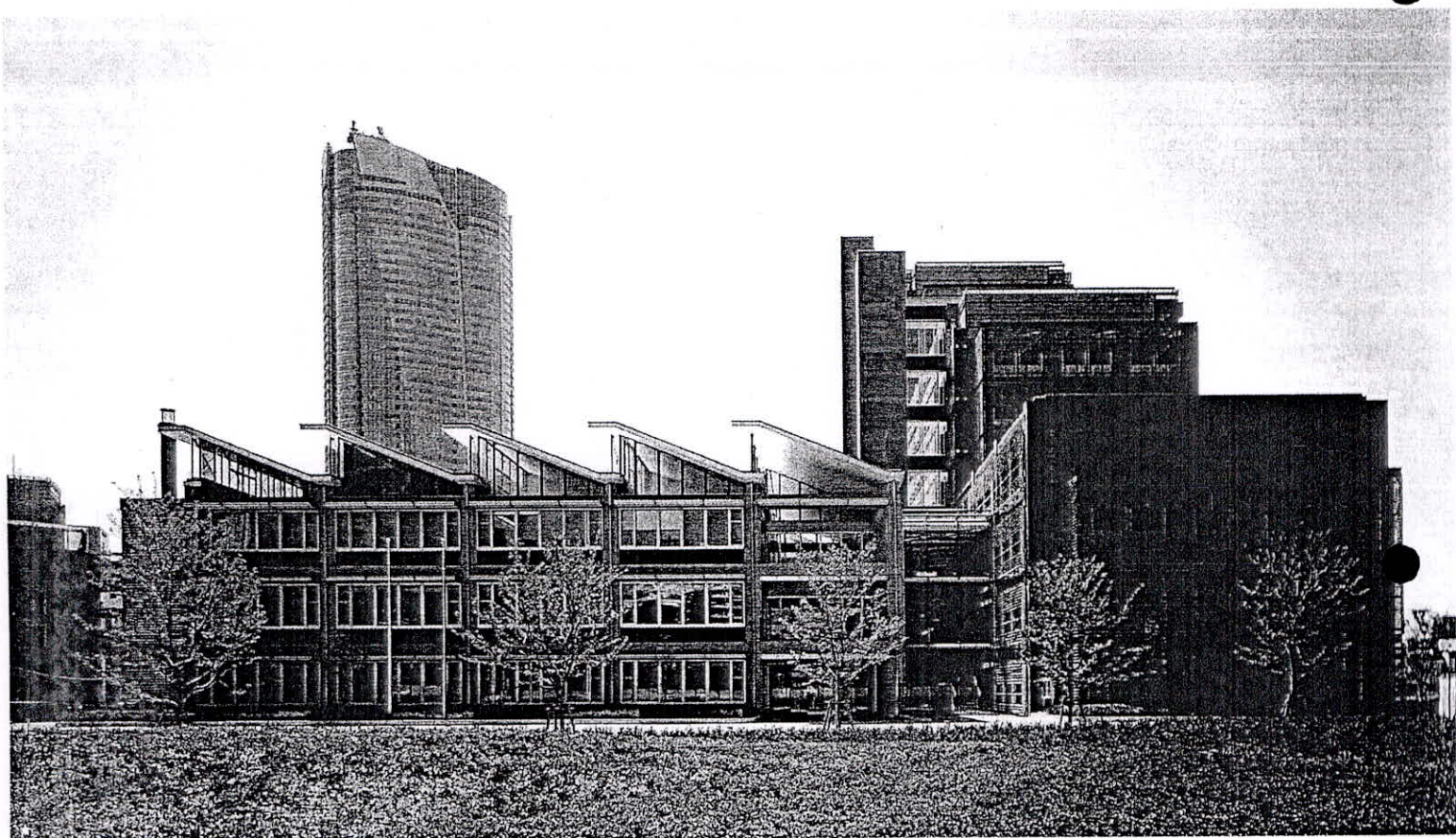
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YLP-MEXT Scholarship Program

Young Leaders Program

School of Government

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政策研究大学院大学
NATIONAL GRADUATE INSTITUTE
FOR POLICY STUDIES

A World of Opportunities for Young Leaders

Message from the Program Director

The Young Leaders Program (YLP) at GRIPS is a special master's degree program for promising young leaders in government. It is fully supported, including full scholarships for all students, by the Japanese government.

The YLP aims at nurturing future national leaders in Asia and other regions, forming international human networks of these leaders, establishing friendly relations among participating countries and improving the quality of public policy.



The specific content of the YLP is designed to provide young leaders with opportunities to enrich and enlarge their knowledge of global, regional and Japanese politics and economies, public administration and policies from comparative, historical and contemporary perspectives. The faculty is composed of eminent academics and former government officials with a wide range of experience in both national and local governments.

I hope you will join the YLP and realize your dream of contributing to your country and to the global community in your future career.

Hirofumi Takada

Director of Young Leaders Program

Vice President, Professor

Specialty: Local Public Administration and Finance, Local Revitalization



Mikitaka Masuyama

Deputy Director of Young Leaders Program (School of Government)

Professor

Specialty: Japanese Politics, Legislative Institutions, Political Methodology



Tsuyoshi Yoshimuta

Associate Director of Young Leaders Program

Professor

Specialty: System of Government, Government Reform, Public Policy

About GRIPS

The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) was founded in 1997 by the Japanese government as a stand-alone national graduate university focused on policy studies. Future policy leaders and researchers from all over the world gather here, forming an international research hub.

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About the Program

The YLP is a one-year program that culminates in a Master's Degree in Public Policy. The YLP is part of the Japanese government's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) scholarship program.

The YLP has two parallel and overlapping programs run through the School of Government and the School of Local Governance. The curriculum for both courses is taught entirely in English and covers a wide range of topics concerning public administration and policy formulation. It also offers the opportunity for intensive discussion with politicians, high-level government officials, corporate directors, journalists and other leaders. The program includes a field trip and a workshop and requires a final paper based on independent study. There are opportunities to collaborate on policy research with other institutions, including Japan's central and local governments. The colloquium, which meets seven or eight times per semester, is an unrivalled opportunity to discuss fresh ideas with eminent speakers.

Goals and mission

The goal of the YLP is to cultivate national leaders of the future in Asia and around the world. Participants gain a deep understanding of Japan through their activities and work during the program and build the foundations for a network of friendly relationships and improved policy planning capacity among national leaders.

Graduates from the YLP are expected to return to their former governmental organizations and apply their knowledge and experience to become strong leaders.

Target group

The YLP is for exceptionally promising young government officials who have already shown their dedication through work experience in public administration. Students are admitted on the basis of an appraisal of their potential to become future leaders at home, to play important roles in their countries' development and to maintain strong, long-lasting working relationships with Japan and other countries around the world.



2 Curriculum

Course Offerings for 2024-2025

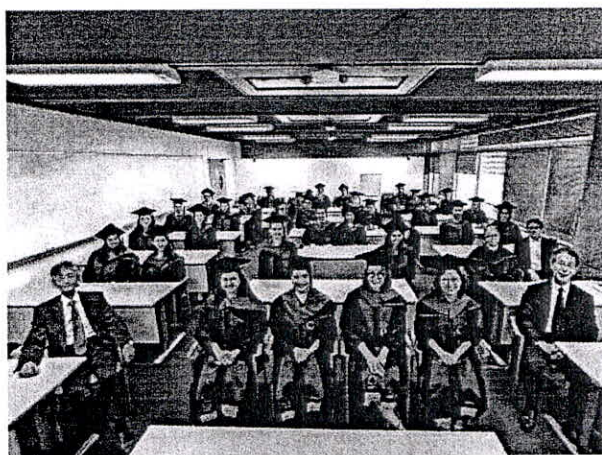
School of Government

Category	Course Name	Credit
I Required Courses	The World and the SDGs	1
	Introduction to Japan	2
	Colloquium	2
	Independent Study	4
	Tutorial	2
	Field Trip	2
II Recommended Courses	Microeconomics I	2
	Essential Microeconomics	4
	Contemporary Japanese Economy	2
	Japanese Economy	2
	Economic Development of Japan	2
	Government and Politics in Japan	2
	International Relations	2
	International Political Economy	2
	International Security Studies	2
	Comparative Politics	2
	Structure and Process of Government	2
	Leadership and Knowledge Creation	2
	GRIPS Forum I	1
	GRIPS Forum II	1
III Elective Courses	Macroeconomics I	2
	Government and Market	2
	Data Science for Public Policy	2
	International Trade	2
	Development Economics	2
	East Asian Economies	2
	Japanese Foreign Policy	2
	International Security Studies	2
	Human Resources Management	2
	Social Security System in Japan	2
	Introduction to Data Science I	2
	Introduction to Data Science II	2
	Local Government System and Finance	2
	Local Governance in the Changing World	2
X Others	Selected Topics in Policy Studies I-IV	
	Courses not listed in this table	
Courses offered by the Center for Professional Communication		

School of Local Governance

Category	Course Name	Credit
I Required Courses	The World and the SDGs	1
	Local Government System and Finance	2
	Local Governance in the Changing World	2
	Introduction to Japan	2
	Colloquium	2
	Independent Study	4
	Tutorial	2
	Workshop	2
II Recommended Courses	Microeconomics I	2
	Essential Microeconomics	4
	Economic Development of Japan	2
	Government and Politics in Japan	2
	International Relations	2
	Structure and Process of Government	2
	Leadership and Knowledge Creation	2
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	International Trade	2
	Development Economics	2
	East Asian Economies	2
	Japanese Foreign Policy	2
	International Security Studies	2
	Human Resources Management	2
	Social Security System in Japan	2
	Small and Medium Enterprise and Technology	2
X Others	Introduction to Data Science I	2
	Introduction to Data Science II	2
	Selected Topics in Policy Studies I-IV	
Courses not listed in this table		
Courses offered by the Center for Professional Communication		

Courses offered in the program are subject to change.
For the latest, please see
https://www.grips.ac.jp/en/education/inter_programs/leader/



Coursework

The YLP offers a wide range of courses concerning public administration, economics, political science and policy formulation. In addition to the required courses, students can select subjects in accordance with their interests and needs. All courses are taught in English.

Colloquium

One of the unique features of the YLP is the Colloquium, where YLP students are offered an exclusive and unrivalled opportunity to discuss and share ideas with a diverse range of eminent speakers, including many distinguished government leaders and business executives. The Colloquium meets fifteen or sixteen times a year, divided between the fall and spring terms.

Independent Study

During the independent study you work one-on-one with an instructor on your master's thesis (or "policy paper") on a particular topic related to public administration and policy formulation. Students are supported in their research by the Center for Professional Communication (CPC) that organizes Writing Workshops as well as individual consultation throughout the year. The CPC will also help students improve their presentation skills. All students will give a presentation on their research in July.

Field Trip (School of Government)

Educational field trip is organized and provide a great opportunity to learn about local governments and communities, and socioeconomic developments in Japan. The field trips complement what is being taught in the classrooms and take you to places that you may not be able to explore and learn about on your own. You will visit central and local government offices, cultural and historical heritage sites, and industrial facilities.

Workshop (School of Local Governance)

During the workshop, you will visit local governments to meet with officials who will share their first-hand experience and practice in policy planning and implementation. You will also have a chance to visit various facilities such as a day care center for elderly people and a local economic and tourism development facility. You may thus be able to catch a glimpse of how the Japanese local government system actually works in everyday life in Japan.



3 Student Support and Resources

One unique aspect of GRIPS is our extensive support system for assisting students in their daily living. We consider this aspect of your lives to be every bit as important as your academic life, especially for foreign scholars unfamiliar with Japan. As international students have comprised, on average, about 60% of the GRIPS student body over the last 20 years, we have developed comprehensive services to assist students in their day-to-day living.



The Student Office organizes orientation programs for incoming students and assists arriving international students in getting organized and settled in Japan. It also organizes a number of social events and activities, including field trips and Japanese cultural experiences. The Student Office also functions as a hub to promote interaction and understanding between Japanese and foreign nationals.

Faculty

GRIPS boasts a nearly 200-member faculty, which includes world-class academics and distinguished practitioners with many years of experience in public- or private-sector policy analysis and management. Our faculty's expertise spans a wide array of policy issues and areas of research, which allow us to offer a broad range of courses in policy-related fields.

For more on our faculty members, please see <http://www.grips.ac.jp/en/about/directory/>



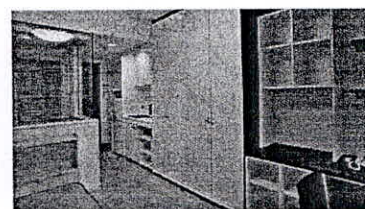
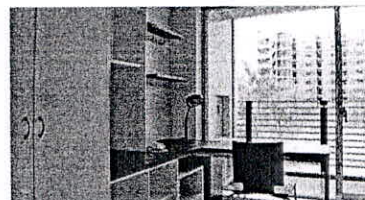
Accommodation

Accommodation is provided in the Tokyo International Exchange Center (TIEC), operated by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO).

Tokyo International Exchange Center Residence Halls

In the bayside area, built in 2001 by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

Room Types: Single, Couple, Family



Resources

Center for Professional Communication

The mission of the Center for Professional Communication is to support GRIPS' students, faculty, and staff in developing effective professional communication skills and competencies needed to communicate productively in an environment of multiple stakeholders. To this end, we offer a range of instruction and support in fundamental areas of professional communication in English and Japanese including policy paper writing, professional speaking, grant proposal writing, and digital communications. We also provide opportunities for cultural and academic exchanges through a self-access learning center, organize seminars and special events related to all aspects of professional communication, and prepare customized materials for students and staff on academic and professional writing and language learning.



The center supports Japanese language learning of students who lack Japanese language proficiency for daily living and study. The purpose

is to help students achieve greater competence in comprehension and speaking. The center also facilitates cultural and traditional experiences.

Center for Data Science

The progress of digital innovation has been making it possible to utilize diverse big data via the internet, and there arise immense expectations to the government for implementing effective policy based on precise predictions by the use of big data to provide better solutions to social problems. Needless to say, data science is crucial in this context. To deal with this circumstance, GRIPS launched the Center for Data Science in April 2022 for the purpose of promoting deeper data science education and research. Taking advantage of holding both specialized policymakers with extensive practical experience who are well-versed in actual policymaking processes and researchers in the field of policy science in academia, GRIPS will carry out activities to develop the Center for Data Science as a pioneering and unique data science research hub in the field of policy science, aiming at fostering policymakers suited for the 21st century.

Library

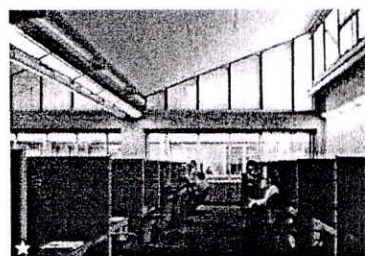
- Extensive collection of publications in the field of policy studies, collected from around the world
- Collection contains over 190,000 volumes, including reference books, statistical collections, working papers, and government documents
- Large collections of periodicals that include more than 12,000 journals, many of which are available online
- Well-trained staff are equipped to respond to research-related requests



Facilities

Student Rooms and IT Support Center

- Each student is provided with a study space, accessible 24 hours a day
- A computer help desk is open to all students during regular working hours



Health Services Center

- In-house health clinic
- Nurse on duty daily, doctor available several days a week
- Provides medical advice, basic medical examinations
- Will refer to an appropriate hospital or specialist when necessary

Fitness Center

- Running machines and other training equipment
- Showers
- Free use by students, faculty, and staff

4 Admissions

Eligibility

The YLP is open to young public administrators and government officials who are expected to play active roles in the future as national leaders in their home countries. A minimum of three years of full-time work experience (five is preferable) in the field in the applicant's home country is a prerequisite for admission to the program.

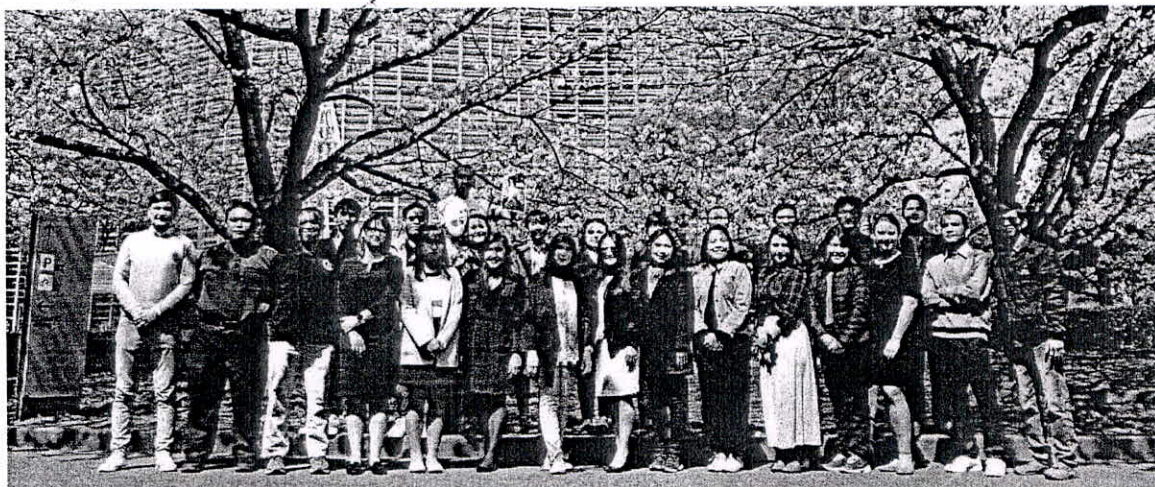
The School of Government focuses on national policy-making and accepts students from 28 countries: P. R. China, Rep. of Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Brunei, Viet Nam, Laos, Cambodia, Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Australia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey.

The School of Local Governance focuses on enhancement of local governance and government to respond to various regional issues in such areas as education, health, social welfare, and local development. It accepts students from 19 countries:

P. R. China, Rep. of Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam, Laos, Cambodia, Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, India, Pakistan, Turkey, Hungary, Czech Republic, Poland, Romania.

Admission to the YLP requires a bachelor's degree or its equivalent from a recognized, accredited university of the highest standard as well as certifiable health. The applicant should be, in principle, under 40 years of age as of 1 October, 2025; should be proficient in English with a TOEFL iBT score of 79, IELTS Academic score of 6.0 or equivalent and must be able to obtain a Student visa prior to arrival in Japan.

Applicants are not eligible if they are unable to travel to Japan by the last date of the period specified by GRIPS. People who are active members of military forces or civilians employed by the military during any part of the scholarship period or who are enrolled in a Japanese university under Student status or plan to enroll at a Japanese university as a privately financed international student between the time of application for the YLP scholarship and the time the scholarship period is due to commence are also ineligible. Loss of status as public administrator or government official before completion of the program will also render participants ineligible.





Scholarships

An allowance of 242,000 yen per month (in FY 2024; amount is subject to change) will be provided to grantees during the term of the scholarship. Grantees who are absent from the university for long periods will no longer be provided with the scholarship. Application fee, admission fee and tuition will be paid by the Japanese government. An economy-class air ticket from your home country to Japan upon enrollment at GRIPS and an economy-class air ticket from Japan to your home country upon completion of your studies at GRIPS will be provided.

Application procedures

Applicants should obtain an application form from the Japanese embassies or recommending authorities in the eligible countries (please check the GRIPS website for details about the recommending authorities in your country). Applicants must submit the following documentation in hard copy: application, recommendation letter from the recommending authority, 2 letters of recommendation by your immediate superior at work or supervising professor of the university you attended, official transcripts of academic record and graduation/degree certificates, official evidence of English ability, passport copy, essays and certificate of health.

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5 Alumni

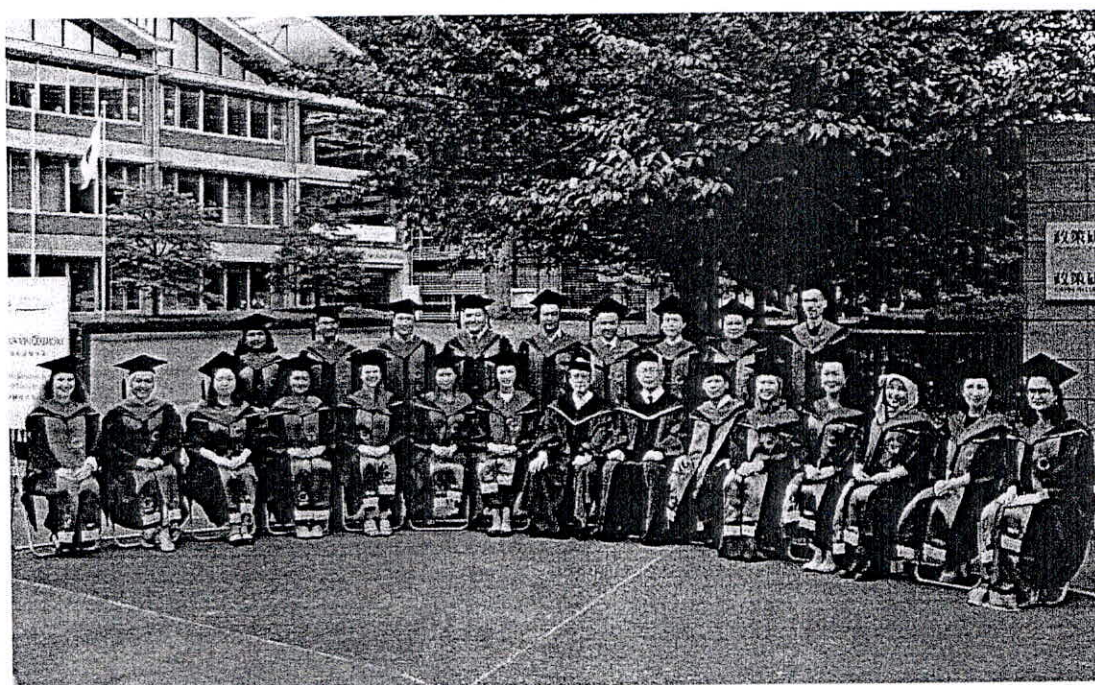
One of the greatest resources and joys of studying at GRIPS is the diversity of the student community. The connections you make at GRIPS are a valuable part of your degree. The GRIPS Alumni Network will ensure they are lifetime bonds by keeping you in touch with fellow alumni and the school.

As a GRIPS graduate, you join an impressive network of over 5,900 alumni, including 555 graduates from YLP, who are actively shaping future policies in more than 100 countries around the world. Connectivity and communication sit at the heart of the alumni community. We offer a variety of ways to remain engaged with GRIPS and strengthen your ties with fellow alumni around the globe. These include alumni reunions, seminars, a searchable alumni directory and online networking opportunities utilizing social media such as Facebook and LinkedIn.

Number of YLP Alumni

Australia	Bangladesh	Brunei	Bulgaria	Cambodia	China	Czech Republic
22	17	4	8	33	37	14
Hungary	India	Indonesia	Japan	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyz Republic	Laos
13	20	34	8	16	12	28
Malaysia	Mongolia	Myanmar	Pakistan	Philippines	Poland	Republic of Korea
29	7	25	23	36	27	15
Romania	Singapore	Slovakia	Sri Lanka	Thailand	Turkey	Turkmenistan
11	4	6	11	43	3	4
Uzbekistan	Viet Nam					
35	10					
						Total 555

as of April 2024



Young Leaders Program (School of Government)



Sukant Vatsa (India, 2018)

Additional Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Minister for Information & Broadcasting and Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India

Young Leaders Program (YLP) at GRIPS is an experience which is hard to put down in words. The excellent academic exposure provided by vastly experienced faculty enriches the repertoire of young administrators. The academic rigour is combined with numerous opportunities for diverse social interactions, both on and off-campus which leaves everlasting bonds of friendship and memories. Add to it, the warmth and charm of the beautiful country of Japan, which makes the stay a once in a lifetime experience. I recommend every budding civil servant to join YLP. I can promise, you will be overwhelmed. Be here to experience it.



Miskolczi-Bodnár Éva (Hungary, 2019)

Legal advisor and Justice Attaché, Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU (Belgium)

Studying at GRIPS was enriching on both an academic and personal level, as the program not only provided in-depth and up-to-date knowledge and interesting discussion on the most pressing issues on the world agenda with the pioneers of the fields, but also lasting friendships with fellow students. The dedication of the professors and the staff to education and student welfare was truly unparalleled. The social activities, trips and cultural events granted also an invaluable chance to experience Japanese life and culture. Therefore, the privilege of being a YLP student was undoubtedly the most unforgettable and life-changing experience for me.



Vanisova Veronika (Czech Republic, 2020)

Head of Unit of Direct Payments, Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic

YLP stands for a one-of-a-kind opportunity that combines a high-quality education with a unique chance to experience the greatly admired Japanese culture. The exceptionally designed curriculum covers a rich variety of subjects and provides for enriching discussions with Japanese governmental officials as well as with other fellows from all around the world. The program also allows to learn about the socio-economic realities from the perspective of the Indo-Pacific region. Spending one year in Japan was a great privilege that empowered me to advance my career and, most importantly, it made me discover new horizons, views, and precious friendships.

Young Leaders Program (School of Local Governance)



Wit Prasompluem (Thailand, 2019)

Local Administration Extension Officer, Professional Level, Department of Local Administration, Ministry of Interior

It was an honor for me to study at GRIPS as a YLP student. It was indeed a memorable experience, as I had to live a student life abroad during the early outbreak of COVID-19 in Japan. Despite the difficulties and online classes for several months due to the pandemic, the professors and staff of GRIPS were always supportive and could help me to gain practical and theoretical knowledge from the Japanese perspective and to build international networks as intended. I feel truly proud and privileged to tell others that I am an alumnus of GRIPS under the YLP.



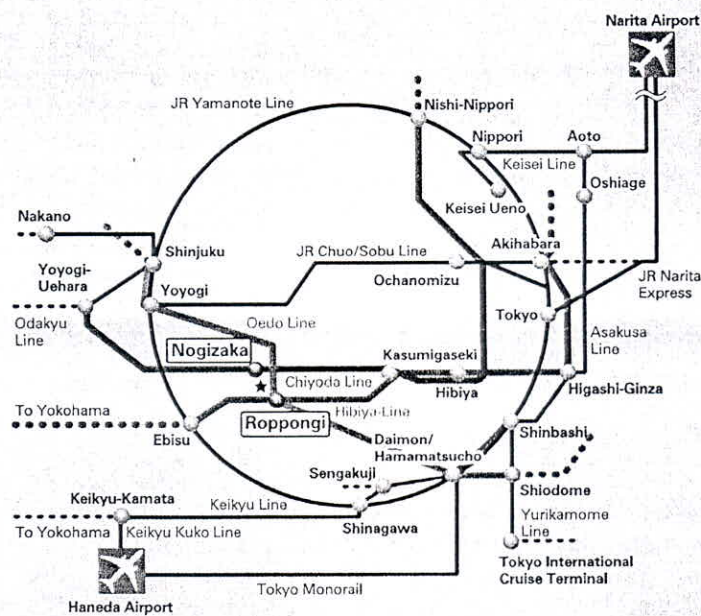
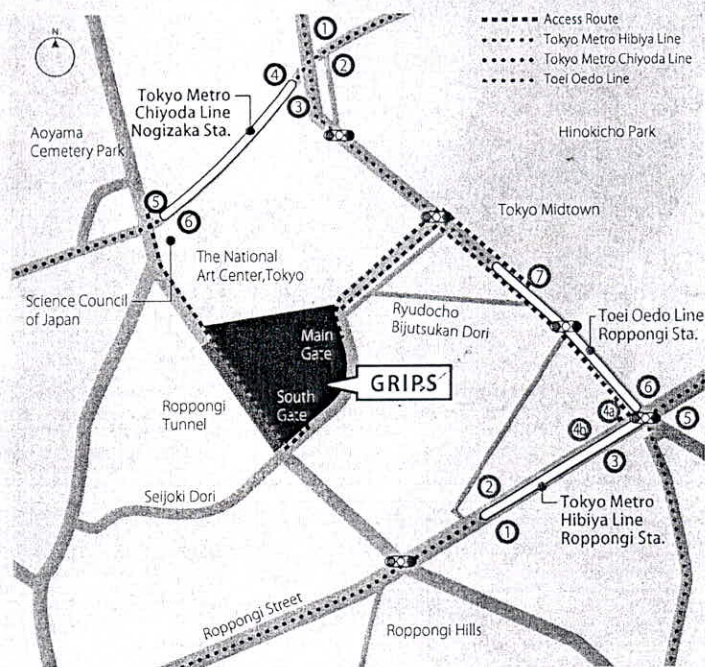
Briones Alyssa Marie Aspe (Philippines, 2020)

Local Government Operations Officer IV, Head, Strengthening Peace and Order Councils-Project Management Office, Department of the Interior and Local Government

In the midst of a global pandemic, the Young Leaders Program was the best thing that happened to me. Despite taking classes online, I learned a lot from professors and classmates through unique opportunities. The program was well-designed; lessons were relevant in my career in local governance. Everyone in GRIPS made the journey worthwhile. Through YLP, I met incredible international young leaders, made best friends from Czech Republic, South Korea, Brunei, and Indonesia, had a family away from home, and had the best year ever. YLP molded me to become humbler and more service-oriented, in this ever-changing and dynamic world.

Getting to GRIPS

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