

# Daiwa Scholarships in Japanese Studies 2018 Application Notes

You must read these notes before completing the Application Form.

## INTRODUCTION

### Daiwa Scholarship in Japanese Studies

The Daiwa Scholarship in Japanese Studies aims to support UK nationals who are pursuing or planning to pursue postgraduate degrees in Japanese Studies at universities in the UK or Japan.

Scholarships will be awarded to cover the whole period of the course in question or, where the applicant has already started the course, the whole remaining period of the course. Continuation of funding will be conditional on satisfactory progress being made. Scholars will be required to submit annual progress reports to the Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation.

The Scholarship will not be awarded in arrears or to previous recipients of Daiwa Scholarships.

Amounts payable to Scholars in receipt of other funding (e.g., a salary, Great Britain-Sasakawa Foundation, JSPS, Japan Foundation, MEXT, university scholarships or bursaries) will be reduced by the amount of this other funding.

**Strong Japanese language ability will be a key selection criterion.**

### The Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation

The Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation is a UK charity, established in 1988 with a generous benefaction from Daiwa Securities Co Ltd. The Foundation's purpose is to support closer links between Britain and Japan. It carries out its activities through grant-giving, a comprehensive events programme, Daiwa Scholarships and the Daiwa Scholarships in Japanese Studies.

## BENEFITS

### Tuition

The Foundation meets all tuition and examination fees throughout the Scholarship. The Foundation will only cover the equivalent of home student fees (domestic student fees).

### Maintenance grant

Daiwa Japanese Studies Scholars will receive a maintenance grant of £1,000 per month for periods spent in the UK and ¥260,000 per month for periods spent in Japan to cover accommodation and living costs while on the programme. The Foundation's support will be contingent on satisfactory periodic progress reports.

### Air Ticket

The Foundation will meet the cost of one economy class return air fare between the UK and Japan in the case of Scholars who will be flying out to Japan to begin their course of study.

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## ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be British nationals who hold or are completing a degree in Japanese Studies, defined as a course focussing primarily on the study of Japan, and containing a substantial Japanese language component.
- Applicants who hold (or are completing) combined honours courses where Japanese Studies accounts for at least 50% of the course are eligible to apply.
- Applicants must either be enrolled on post-graduate study (MA, MPhil, PhD or equivalent) in Japanese Studies at a Japanese or UK university, or intending to apply. (The Scholarship will not be awarded in arrears.)
- Of those applicants seeking funding for courses at UK universities, preference will generally be given to students who will undertake part of their studies in Japan.
- Scholarships will not be awarded to former recipients of Daiwa Scholarships, or to the same individual more than once.

## APPLICATION TIMETABLE

### Deadline

The deadline for applications is **Thursday 25 January 2018**. If candidates' circumstances change (for instance, change of address) after submitting an application, they must inform the Foundation in writing.

### Selection and Interview

The Foundation assumes that all selected candidates will be able to attend interview at Daiwa Foundation Japan House in London. It may be possible to interview those applying from abroad by SKYPE.

In February 2018, applicants will be notified whether or not they have been shortlisted for interview. Interviews will take place on **Thursday 1 March 2018 (tbc)**. Applicants will be notified of the final outcome soon after the interview.

## REFERENCES

### Section 12 of the Application Form

Applicants must provide confidential references from two referees. Both referees should be academics who can comment in detail on your university studies. Each reference must be provided in its own sealed envelope with the referee's signature across the seal. Please post the references to Scholarships Officer, Daiwa-Anglo Japanese Foundation, 13-14 Cornwall Terrace, London NW1 4QP.

## GRADUATION CERTIFICATES, TRANSCRIPTS AND EVIDENCE OF JAPANESE LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Applicants are requested to submit graduation certificate copies, transcripts of current courses attended and evidence of their Japanese language proficiency.