

JSPS POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FOR OVERSEAS RESEARCHERS

2007-2008

Japan Society for the Promotion
of Science (JSPS)

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<http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/>

Aim of the Fellowship

This program is designed to offer an opportunity for promising and highly qualified young researchers to conduct collaborative research activities under the leadership of scientists at Japanese universities and research institutions. It also serves to stimulate Japanese academic circles, particularly young Japanese researchers, while providing opportunities for Fellows to advance their own research.

Under this program, applications are submitted by inviting scientists in Japan. A provision is also made for a limited number of foreign researchers to apply through JSPS's overseas nominating authorities.

Fields of Research

This program covers all fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences.

Eligibility

- Be a citizen of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan
- Hold a doctorate degree when the Fellowship goes into effect, which must have been received within six years prior to April 2, 2007

Duration

Fellowships are awarded for a period of 12 to 24 months.

Terms of Award (Fellows only)

- 1) A round-trip air ticket (based on JSPS regulations)
- 2) A monthly maintenance allowance of ¥382,000 (US\$3,290 /€2,580)
- 3) A settling-in allowance of ¥200,000 (US\$1,720 /€1,350)
- 4) An annual domestic research travel allowance of ¥58,500 (US\$500 /€400)
- 5) Overseas travel accident and sickness insurance coverage

A research grant up to ¥1,500,000 (US\$12,930 /€10,140) per year is available to cover collaborative research-related expenses. Application for this grant is made by the host researcher.

*Note: The amounts of the above awards are subject to change.
Payment is made in Japanese yen. (US\$1=¥116 / €1=148 As of August 2006)

Way to Apply

1) Application through a Japanese host researcher

Researchers employed at Japanese universities and research institutions may host an overseas researcher by applying for a fellowship to JSPS through their institutions. Two recruitments, in September 2006 and May 2007, are held. However, specific application deadlines differ slightly by host institution. Overseas researchers interested in this program should contact a prospective host researcher about the possibility of applying for a fellowship on their behalf.

2) Application through a Nomination Authority

A number of JSPS's overseas nominating authorities have been allocated nomination quotas for this programs. As to quota availability and application pro-

cedure, interested researchers should inquire at the nominating authority in their home country.

Relevant nominating authorities are listed in the accompanying table. Their URLs can be found under "List of Nominating Authorities" (http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-fellow/long_list.html) on our website.

Advanced Arrangements

Before an application is submitted, a research plan must be arranged in advance between the prospective host researcher and visiting scientist.

Starting Date of Fellowship

- 1) For the September 2006 recruitment:
Fellows must arrive in Japan during the period from April 1, 2007 to September 30, 2007.
- 2) For the May 2007 recruitment:
Fellows must arrive in Japan during the period from September 1, 2007 to November 30, 2007.

Approximate Number of FY 2007 Fellowships

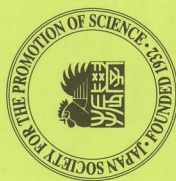
Approximately 400 fellowships will be granted.

JSPS Website / URL

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NOMINATING AUTHORITIES

Country	Nominating Authority
Australia	Australian Academy of Science (AAS) Australian Research Council (ARC)
Austria	Austrian Exchange Service (ÖAD)
Belgium	Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS) Fund for Scientific Research-Flanders (FWO)
Bulgaria	Ministry of Education and Science (MES)
Canada	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
China	Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST)
Czech Rep.	Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR)
Denmark	The Danish Rectors' Conference (DRC)
Estonia	The Estonian Science Foundation (ETF)
Finland	The Academy of Finland (AF)
France	Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)
Germany	Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation (AvH)



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Hungary	Hungarian Academy of Sciences (HAS) Hungarian Scholarship Board (HSB)
Italy	Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research (MUR)
Netherlands	Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)
New Zealand	Ministry of Research, Science and Technology (MoRST) Foundation for Research, Science and Technology (FRST) The Health Research Council of New Zealand (HRC)
Norway	The Research Council of Norway (RCN)
Poland	Polish Academy of Sciences (PAN)
Romania	Ministry of Education and Research (MEC)
Slovakia	Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS)
Slovenia	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology (MHEST)
Sweden	The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences (RSAS) Swedish Agency for Innovation Systems (VINNOVA) Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (SSF)