

Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship (Overseas Candidates)

**to enroll into a Japanese university or graduate school
in April / September/ October 2027**

The Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Foundation

It is one of the largest private organizations in Japan providing international scholarships, both in terms of program scale and the number of scholarships awarded. Supported by contributions from Rotarians throughout Japan, it supports international students studying in Japan.

What Is Rotary Club?

Founded in Chicago in 1905, Rotary is a global network of people who are dedicated to contribute to social development and world peace through their various professions. Today, there are Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and regions of the world. The number of clubs reached 36,824 with 1,170,185 members as of June 17, 2026. Japan's first Rotary club was established in Tokyo in 1920. There are 2,173 clubs with 83,716 members in Japan as of June 17, 2026.

*The English version is provided for reference only. In the event of any discrepancy between the Japanese and English versions, the Japanese version shall prevail.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

I. Preface

Objective

The Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Foundation (hereinafter referred to as the “Yoneyama Foundation”) supports international students in achieving academic excellence and fosters the spirit of Rotary through interactions with counselors and Sewa Clubs. The Foundation aims to deepen mutual international understanding and cultivate bonds that help students serve as bridges between Japan and their home countries or regions. The scholarship qualifications therefore require enthusiasm and excellence in 1. Academic Work, 2. Cross-cultural Understanding, and 3. Communication Skills.

Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholars (hereinafter referred to as “Yoneyama Scholars”) are expected to learn about Japanese culture and customs, develop a sense of social responsibility and participation, and become mature members of society who can contribute to Rotary’s ideal of promoting and maintaining world peace.

1. Academic Work

Clarify academic objectives, deepen research and study, and strive to achieve meaningful results.

2. Cross-cultural Understanding

Seek to understand other languages, cultures, and customs.

3. Communication Skills

Build harmonious relationships, remain open and flexible toward others, and cultivate a spirit of independence.

Significance

The Rotary Yoneyama Scholarship (Overseas Candidates) (hereinafter referred to as the “Overseas Scholarship”) was established as a special program to support prospective international students from various countries and regions who wish to study in Japan but are unable to do so for financial reasons. To help ease the difficulties they may face when starting their studies in Japan, support under the Overseas Scholarship begins in the first academic year following their arrival in Japan. The Overseas Scholarship provides Yoneyama Scholars with both financial assistance and personal support, including counseling and guidance from Rotary members, after their arrival in Japan.

In recent years, an increasing number of universities have begun offering admission to students prior to their arrival in Japan. These universities accept applications, make admission decisions,

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

and grant admission before applicants travel to Japan. The Overseas Scholarship is therefore well suited to international students who can take entrance examinations without having to travel to Japan.

Characteristics

This scholarship is a non-repayable scholarship funded by donations from Rotarians throughout Japan. In addition to financial support, the program provides personal support through Sewa Clubs and Counselors. Yoneyama Scholars are expected to attend their Sewa Club meetings at least once a month. Through interaction with their Counselors and other Rotarians, scholars foster international and intercultural exchange, deepen mutual understanding, and gain a better understanding of the spirit of Rotary.

Yoneyama Alumni Associations

After completing their Yoneyama Scholarship period, scholars can continue to expand their networks through the Yoneyama Alumni Association. They may also participate in a variety of Rotary Club and Rotary-related activities. The Yoneyama Alumni Association has 33 associations in Japan, as well as overseas associations in Taiwan, Korea, China, Thailand, Nepal, Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Myanmar, and Vietnam.

II. Origin and History of Yoneyama Scholarship Program

Supported by Approx. 80,000 Rotarians

The Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship Program (hereinafter referred to as the "Yoneyama Scholarship Program") was established in commemoration of the achievements of Sir Umekichi Yoneyama, a businessman who contributed to the founding of Japan's first Rotary club. This project, which started at the Rotary Club of Tokyo in 1952, eventually developed into a joint project of all clubs in Japan, and in 1967, with the approval from the Ministry of Education (currently Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology), became the Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship Foundation. On January 4, 2012, the Foundation became a public interest incorporated foundation when the new public interest incorporated foundation act went into effect. All Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship Programs are supported by donations from the Japanese Rotarians.

Sir Umekichi Yoneyama, A Man of Service

Umekichi Yoneyama (1868-1946), who was given the title commemorating the Yoneyama Scholarship Program, lost his father at an early age and was raised by the single hand of his mother. When he turned 16, Umekichi moved to Tokyo from Nagaizumi Town, Shizuoka

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

Prefecture, and worked hard to support his studies. He moved to the United States at the age of 20 and spent eight years studying abroad at Belmont Academy (California), Wesleyan University (Ohio), and Syracuse University (New York).

After returning to Japan, aspired to be a writer, Umekichi studied under Katsu Kaishu, but at the recommendation of a friend, joined Mitsui Bank and became a managing director. Later he founded Mitsui Trust Co., Ltd. and became president. As soon as the Trust Business Law was enacted, he established a trust company, pioneered new fields, and set the purpose as "contribution to society", laying the foundation for today's philanthropy *. In his later years, he became the chairman of the Mitsui Hoonkai Foundation, and served in many social and medical programs such as funding leprosy, tuberculosis, and cancer research.

He also invested his own money for the education of children and established an elementary school with his wife Haru. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you". These words were the wish of Umekichi Yoneyama and also the way of his life. Practicing the spirit of "Compassion and help for others", Umekichi was a man who spoke little and served great through quiet salvation.

*The word "philanthropy", which comes from the Greek words "philein (to love)" and "anthrōpos (mankind)", can be translated as humanitarianism and service to society.

The Hope for World Peace

In 1952, during the reconstruction of the country after the defeat of the war, the Tokyo Rotary Club members suggested to establish the Yoneyama Fund. Fundraising started in hope to promote and gain understanding of a "Peaceful Japan" to the world. This action that started from the Tokyo Rotary Club has evolved into a joint action of all Rotary clubs in Japan. Since its establishment, the Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship has supported more than 25,000 individuals from 136 countries and regions through its scholarship program.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

III. Application Guidelines

Application and Screening Procedures

1. Recruitment

The Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Foundation Secretariat (hereinafter referred to as “the Secretariat”) administers the recruitment and application procedures for the Overseas Scholarship. Recruitment begins in early October.

2. Screening

Rotary in Japan consists of 34 districts, each of which has a Rotary Yoneyama Selection Committee. The Rotary Yoneyama Selection Committee of the district in which the applicant’s prospective university is located (hereinafter referred to as the “District Selection Committee”) will review the application documents.

Please note that the District Selection Committee may conduct online interviews with applicants and may also contact applicants and their academic supervisors by telephone or email, if necessary.

Number of Awardees

Approximately fifteen persons.

*Each district may select up to three scholars without these being counted towards its allocated quota. Should a district wish to select four or more scholars, it may do so at its own discretion; however, any additional selections will be counted towards its allocated quota.

Qualified Candidates

Candidates must satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Applicants must be international students scheduled to enroll in or transfer to a university or graduate school in Japan under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in April, September, or October 2027.
2. Applicants must be enrolled in a full-time degree program leading to a degree in Japan.
3. Students enrolled under the long-term study system are not eligible. Non-degree students, including trainees, research students, and short-term international students, are also not eligible.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

Eligibility

Applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements.

1. Citizenship, Status of Residence, and Place of Residence

- (1) Applicants must hold citizenship of a country other than Japan at the time of entry into Japan.
Dual nationals who do not hold Japanese citizenship, as well as stateless persons, are treated as non-Japanese nationals for the purposes of this scholarship.
- (2) Applicants must enter Japan for the purpose of study and hold “Student” status of residence.
- (3) In principle, applicants must reside outside Japan until they enter Japan to enroll at their institution.

*Applicants who do not meet the requirements in items (1) and (2) at the time of application may still apply, provided that they will meet them by the time they arrive in Japan.

2. Previous Stays in Japan

In principle, applicants must not have stayed in Japan before the month in which scholarship payments begin. However, applicants will still be considered eligible if any of the following conditions apply. Any period of stay in Japan after the end of the scholarship application period (October 31, 2026) will not be counted toward the applicant’s total period of stay in Japan.

- (1) The applicant’s total period of stay in Japan before the start of the scholarship application period (October 1, 2026) does not exceed 365 days.
- (2) The applicant stayed in Japan for family reasons.
*This exception applies only until the completion of compulsory education.
- (3) The applicant is a Rotary Youth Exchange alumnus/alumna (ROTEX).
*This exception is intended to promote deeper understanding of and stronger ties with Rotary.

3. Academic Institution and Admission

Applicants must plan to enroll in or transfer to a university or graduate school in Japan under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in April, September, or October 2027, and must intend to pursue a degree in a regular degree program. Applicants must either have received a letter of acceptance or admission permit, or plan to take an entrance examination for their intended institution.

*Applicants in double-degree programs are eligible only if their period of study in Japan is at least two years.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

*Applicants who plan to enroll in or transfer to institutions of higher education other than universities and graduate schools are not eligible. Such institutions include junior colleges, vocational schools, technical colleges, and preparatory courses.

4. Academic and Health Requirements

In addition to academic excellence, applicants should demonstrate a positive attitude, an interest in cross-cultural understanding, and good communication skills. They should also possess sufficient physical and mental resilience to adapt to life abroad.

5. Field of Study

All fields of study are eligible.

6. Japanese Language Proficiency

At the time of application, applicants must have passed the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) at N3 or above. To facilitate smooth communication with Rotarians, applicants are encouraged to have passed the JLPT at N2 or above.

7. Age Limit

Applicants must be under 45 years of age as of April 1 of the year in which the scholarship is awarded. Accordingly, applicants must be born on or after April 2, 1982.

8. Prohibition of Concurrent Receipt of Scholarships or Similar Financial Support from Other Organizations

It is not permitted to receive, concurrently with the Yoneyama Scholarship, scholarships or grants of a similar nature offered by other organizations to individual recipients.

(1) A Yoneyama Scholar may not concurrently receive scholarships from other organizations or similar grants offered to individuals (hereinafter referred to as “other scholarships”). However, the following are not regarded as other scholarships: subsidies provided by local governments for which all international students in designated area are eligible; one-time awards, incentives, or prizes for academic achievements; tuition waivers or reductions, admission fee waivers or reductions, or equivalent financial support provided by universities; and research grants used solely for expenses directly related to research.

The scholarship for the promotion of international students (the “Program for the Promotion of Acceptance of International Students” of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) is regarded as an other scholarship and therefore may not be received concurrently with the Yoneyama Scholarship.

Applicants may apply for the Yoneyama Scholarship even if they are receiving another

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

scholarship at the time of application. However, if they are expected to receive both scholarships during the scholarship period, they must choose one after being accepted.

- (2) Research grants that include indirect expenses necessary for research, as well as university grants other than tuition waivers or reductions, admission fee waivers or reductions, or equivalent forms of support, will be assessed based on the amount of financial support provided. Such support may be received concurrently with the Yoneyama Scholarship only if the total annual amount is less than 576,000 yen per year (the amount equivalent to the former Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology scholarship for international students under the “Program for the Promotion of Acceptance of International Students”). Amounts exceeding this limit are not permitted. If a Scholar receives multiple scholarships or grants, the total amount received will be taken into consideration.
- (3) Loan-type scholarships may be received concurrently with the Yoneyama Scholarship.
- (4) Compensation received by a Scholar for activities such as serving as a teaching assistant, research assistant, intern, or participating in community activities organized by local international exchange associations is not regarded as double funding. However, the scholarship may be provided only on the condition that the Scholar fulfills the obligations stipulated in the “Pledge.” If those obligations are not fulfilled, the scholarship will be terminated.
- (5) If a Scholar receives another scholarship concurrently with the Yoneyama Scholarship, the Scholar’s qualification as a Yoneyama Scholar will be revoked, and the Scholar must repay the full amount of the Yoneyama Scholarship received during the overlapping period.

Type of Scholarship or Financial Support	Permitted Concurrently with the Yoneyama Scholarship?
a. Other scholarships	Not acceptable , regardless of the amount. The scholarship for the promotion of international students (the “Program for the Promotion of Acceptance of International Students” offered by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) is considered another scholarship and therefore is not acceptable for concurrent receipt.
b. Study grants provided by local governments for which all international students in Japan are eligible	Acceptable

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

c. Study grants provided by local governments for which only selected international students in Japan are eligible	Not acceptable
d. Tuition waivers (reductions), entrance fee waivers (reductions), or equivalent scholarships	Acceptable
e. One-time rewards, incentives, or prizes for academic achievements	Acceptable
f. Research grants used solely for expenses directly related to research	Acceptable
g. University research grants and scholarships (other than those listed in d, e, and f)	Eligibility will be determined based on the amount. Acceptable: less than 576,000 yen per year. Not acceptable: 576,000 yen or more per year.
h. Loan-type scholarships	Acceptable. Scholarships with a clear repayment obligation are acceptable.
i. Compensation received by a Scholar for activities such as serving as a teaching assistant, research assistant, intern, or participating in community activities organized by local international exchange associations	Acceptable , provided that the Scholar fulfills the obligations stipulated in the “Pledge.” The Scholarship will be terminated if those obligations are not met.

Financial support provided in response to emergencies such as epidemics, natural disasters, political instability, or other emergency situations may not be subject to the above conditions. Please contact the Secretariat for details.

If you wish to accept another scholarship after being awarded the Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship, you must decline the Yoneyama Scholarship by the applicable deadline below:

For enrollment in April 2027: March 1, 2027

For enrollment in September or October 2027: August 1, 2027

9. Ineligibility of Former Yoneyama Scholars

- Applicants who have previously received the Yoneyama Scholarship are not eligible to apply again.
- Applicants may apply for only one of the following scholarship programs: Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship (Undergraduate), Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship (Master’s), Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship (Doctoral), Rotary Yoneyama Memorial

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

Scholarship (District Support), and Rotary Yoneyama Memorial Scholarship (Overseas Candidates).

10. Obligations of Yoneyama Scholars

Yoneyama Scholars are required to fulfill the following obligations:

- (1) Attend regular meetings of the designated Sewa Club in the sponsor district at least once a month.
- (2) Submit Reports in Japanese twice a year.
- (3) Give speeches at the Sewa Club regular meetings. and deepen mutual understanding with Rotarians by actively participating in club and district activities.
- (4) Comply with the requirements set forth in the “Pledge.”

Scholarships, Subsidies and Scholarship Period

1. Scholarship amount

Undergraduates	100,000 yen per month
Master’s students	140,000 yen per month
Doctoral students	140,000 yen per month

2. Supplemental Payment for Travel Expenses to Japan

Successful applicants may receive a subsidy of up to 250,000 yen toward travel expenses to Japan. After arriving in Japan, they must promptly submit to the Secretariat receipts and other supporting documents showing the actual costs incurred. This subsidy will be provided through the Sewa Club.

Expenses Eligible for Subsidy

The following expenses are eligible for subsidy:

- (1) A one-way economy-class airline ticket.
- (2) Transportation expenses in the home country and within Japan incurred for travel to Japan.
- (3) Visa application fees.

- (4) Accommodation expenses for the first day in Japan, up to a maximum of 10,000 yen.

* Airfare includes the cost of connecting flights in the home country and within Japan. Tickets purchased using airline miles or similar points are not eligible for subsidy.

* In principle, transportation expenses refer to expenses incurred through the use of public transportation other than taxis. For transportation within Japan, the Secretariat of the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation will calculate and provide the subsidy based on the

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

shortest reasonable route from the airport to the accommodation.

* Accommodation expenses for the first day in Japan will be provided only when, due to unavoidable circumstances, the recipient is unable to travel to the accommodation on the day of arrival, and only when deemed necessary. Recipients must notify the Secretariat of the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation in advance.

*Excess baggage charges are not eligible for subsidy.

3. Scholarship period

April 2027 enrollment	Two years (April 2027 – March 2029)
September, October 2027 enrollment	Two years (September 2027 –August 2029 / October 2027 –September 2029)

Application Documents

- Applications with incomplete information in the application documents will not be accepted.
- Application documents must be prepared in either Japanese or English. Applicants who are able to write in Japanese should do so.
- If applicants apply to more than one university or graduate school, they must submit a complete set of documents, items 1. through 8., for each university or graduate school.
- After the application deadline, the school, course, faculty, graduate school, and month of admission stated in the application form may not be changed.
- If any application document is found to contain false or fraudulent information, the application will be disqualified and any selection decision will be revoked. If such information is discovered after the scholarship period has begun, scholarship payments will be terminated, and the recipient may be required to repay part or all of the scholarship already received.

1. Application Form (designated form with photograph)

- Applicants will be deemed ineligible if the name of the intended institution, program, faculty/graduate school, and the contact information for the admissions office are not provided in the designated fields.
- Applicants must attach a photograph of their face (a front-facing upper-body photo, approximately 4.0 cm × 3.0 cm, or about 600 × 450 pixels, taken within the last three months). As this photograph will be used for identity verification, digitally altered images are not permitted.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

- Applicants must provide their handwritten signature.

2. Research Proposal (designated form)

This document must be submitted by all applicants, including those intending to enroll in undergraduate or graduate programs. The use of generative AI is prohibited.

Theme :

Undergraduate applicants	<i>“What you wish to study at university or your proposed course plan”</i>
Graduate applicants	<i>“Your proposed research plan for graduate school or your research progress to date”</i>

3. Short Essay: “Why did you choose Japan as your study destination, and what are your future plans after completing your studies in Japan?” (designated form)

The use of generative AI is not permitted.

4. Letter of Recommendation (prescribed form)

Undergraduate applicants	Applicants must submit one letter of recommendation from one of the following: (1) A letter of recommendation from the most recent school attended (2) A letter of recommendation from the most recent employer or other relevant organization (3) A letter of recommendation from a representative of the applicant’s intended institution in Japan or from a prospective academic advisor
Graduate applicants	<u>Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from their prospective academic advisor at the intended institution in Japan.</u> If the academic advisor will be determined only after enrollment and it is difficult to obtain a letter of recommendation from that advisor, one of the recommendation letters listed in (1) to (3) above for undergraduate applicants may be submitted instead.

- In principle, the letter of recommendation must be prepared on the designated form and limited to one page.

- Letters of recommendation written by the applicant or the applicant's family members will not be accepted.
- Letters of recommendation without the recommender's handwritten signature will not be accepted.

5. Copy of the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) Result Notification

- Applicants must submit a copy of the result notification showing that they have passed the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) at N3 or above at the time of application.
- A copy of the result notification for any English-language proficiency test is not required.

6. Copy of the Letter of Acceptance or Admission Permit Issued by the Intended Institution in Japan

If the admission decision of the intended institution in Japan will be announced after the application deadline, applicants may still apply provided that the schedule for the admission decision is clearly stated in the application form. After the admission decision is announced, applicants must submit a copy of the letter of acceptance or admission permit by the deadline below:

April enrollment	March 25, 2027
September or October enrollment	August 25, 2027

*An admission permit issued only in the name of a prospective academic advisor will not be accepted.

*If the intended institution does not issue a letter of acceptance or admission permit, a comparable document may be submitted instead.

7. Copy of the Application Form Submitted to the Intended Institution in Japan or Copy of the Examination Admission Ticket

- If neither document is submitted, the application will not be accepted. However, submission is not required if the applicant has submitted the copy of the letter of acceptance or admission permit described in item 6.
- If the intended institution is not yet accepting applications, the examination schedule must be stated in the scholarship application form, and a copy of the application form submitted to the intended institution must be provided within two weeks after the application deadline set by that institution. If it is not submitted within this period, the applicant will be deemed ineligible.

8. Admissions Guidelines of the Intended Institution in Japan

- Submission is not required if the applicant has submitted item 6 "Copy of the Letter of

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

Acceptance or Admission Permit Issued by the Intended Institution in Japan".

- Applicants must submit the admissions guidelines for the entrance examination of the intended institution in Japan.
- If the admissions guidelines have not yet been issued, applicants must submit a copy of the intended institution's website or another document showing the examination schedule.

Submission of Application Documents

1. Download the application form for the Overseas Scholarship from the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation website and complete all required sections.

<https://www.rotary-yoneyama.or.jp/overseas>

2. Enter the applicant's information in the designated online form on the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation website and upload the application documents.

<https://www.rotary-yoneyama.jp/login>

(1) Application Form (designated form with photograph) ***mandatory**

(2) Research Proposal (designated form) ***mandatory**

(3) Short Essay: "Why did you choose Japan as your study destination, and what are your future plans after completing your studies in Japan?" (designated form) ***mandatory**

(4) Letter of Recommendation (prescribed form) ***mandatory**

(5) Copy of the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) Result Notification ***mandatory**

(6) Copy of the Letter of Acceptance or Admission Permit Issued by the Intended Institution in Japan ***All the applicants must submit it by designated deadline.**

(7) Copy of the Application Form Submitted to the Intended Institution in Japan or Copy of the Examination Admission Ticket

(8) Admissions Guidelines of the Intended Institution in Japan

*if you do not submit item (6) at the time of application, you must submit item (7) and (8) instead.

3. The Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation will send the application receipt number to the applicant by email. If any additional documents or information are requested thereafter, please include the application receipt number in the subject line of your email.

4. Once all application documents have been uploaded, the application process is complete.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

Application Period

From: 13:00 JST, October 1, 2026

To: 13:00 JST, October 31, 2026

*Documents submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. However, only the documents specified in items (6) and (7) may be submitted by the separately designated deadlines:

(6) Copy of the Letter of Acceptance or Admission Permit Issued by the Intended Institution in Japan

(7) Copy of the Application Form Submitted to the Intended Institution in Japan or Copy of the Examination Admission Ticket

Selections

- Document screening will be conducted. Please note that the District Selection Committee may conduct online interviews and may also contact applicants and their academic advisors by telephone or email.
- Applications that contain incomplete information or are missing required documents will not be considered for screening.
- If an applicant is not admitted to the intended institution stated in the application documents, or fails to take the entrance examination or complete the admission procedures, the applicant's eligibility will be revoked at that time.
- If a successful applicant (or a provisionally successful applicant) declines the scholarship, an alternate candidate may be moved up from the waiting list. Applicants concerned will be notified by the following dates:

April Enrollment	By the end of April 2027
September Enrollment	By the end of September 2027
October Enrollment	By the end of October 2027

Selection Results

Announcement of selection results: By mid-March 2027

Selection results will be notified to applicants by email, and letters of acceptance will be issued to successful applicants by the end of March 2027.

However, applicants who do not meet the following requirements will be granted conditional acceptance:

- Submission of "Copy of the Letter of Acceptance or Admission Permit Issued by the Intended Institution in Japan by the designated deadline
- Arrival in Japan" by the designated deadline
- Submission to the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation, within one week after arrival in

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.

Japan, of a copy of the Residence Card or Specified Residence Card (Student)

* No inquiries regarding ineligibility or selection results will be answered.

Timing of Arrival in Japan and Scholarship Payment

- Successful applicants must arrive in Japan by the last day of the month preceding the month of enrollment designated by their intended institution.
- Applicants who are unable to attend the district orientation will be deemed ineligible.
- Applicants who do not arrive in Japan by the dates specified below will lose their eligibility as Yoneyama Scholars. However, if arrival by the designated date is unavoidably difficult, applicants must notify the Secretariat of the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation in advance.

April enrollment	Arrive in Japan by March 31 (Scholarship commences on April 1.)
September enrollment	Arrive in Japan by August 31 (Scholarship commences on September 1.)
October enrollment	Arrive in Japan by September 30 (Scholarship commences on October 1.)

- The Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation does not handle immigration procedures. Applicants should confirm with their intended institution the procedures for proxy application for a Certificate of Eligibility.
- By the end of March, the Yoneyama Scholarship Foundation will issue successful applicants a letter of acceptance stating the monthly scholarship amount, supplementary payments, and scholarship period. As this letter may serve as one of the documents certifying financial capability, applicants should submit it to their intended institution as necessary.

Reference: STUDY IN JAPAN
Basic Guide by Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)
<https://www.studyinJapan.go.jp/en/planning/brochures/>

12. Contact Information

For questions regarding the application guidelines or eligibility requirements, please contact us at the following email address:

apply@rymf.org

*The English version is provided for reference only. In the event of any discrepancy between the Japanese and English versions, the Japanese version shall prevail.

*In case of any discrepancy, the Japanese version shall prevail.