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# Scholarship programs of the Japanese Government (MEXT) for 2026

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The Embassy of Japan in Cyprus announces that the Ministry of Education of the Japanese Government (MEXT) is offering scholarships for 2026 to Cypriot nationals, born on or after April 2, 1991, who wish to pursue postgraduate studies at Japanese universities as research students for a Master's or PhD degree.

### **Duration of scholarships and coverage:**

The duration of the scholarship is two years, with the possibility of extension if necessary for the completion of studies. Students with no prior knowledge of Japanese will be required to attend Japanese language courses in Japan for one semester, with all related expenses covered by the scholarship.

The scholarship covers travel to and from Japan, university tuition, the student visa, and a monthly stipend, which also includes accommodation expenses. The monthly stipend is set at 143,000 - 145,000 YEN (approximately 900 EURO as of 24/04/2025).

#### Selection criteria:

The selection of candidates will take place in June, initially through an evaluation of the submitted application documents followed by an assessment of the candidate's performance in written examinations in English and Japanese, as well as a personal interview.

Japanese language proficiency is not a requirement – applicants are encouraged to apply even if they have no prior knowledge of the Japanese language.

The written exams and personal interview will be conducted in the first week of July for applicants who pass the screening of application documents.

\*If an application is rejected, the Embassy of Japan is not obliged to provide a reason.

After the publication of the results, there is no procedure for re-examination and appeals will not be considered.

## Deadline for submission of applications: Friday, June 13, 16:45.

\*No application will be accepted after the deadline.

#### For more information, visit the Embassy's website at:

www.cy.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr ja/11 000001 00056.html



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