

FAQ

About eligibility	
Q1	I am currently pursuing a master's degree, Am I eligible to apply for a JAUW fellowship?
A	No. You should have a master's degree at the time of your application.
Q2	I turned 45 this year. Am I eligible to apply for a JAUW fellowship?
A	No. Applicants must be below the age of 45 as of March 31, 2025.
Q3	Is there any restriction on a research field to apply for a JAUW fellowship?
A	No. We will accept applications in all academic fields.
Q4	Is it possible for handicapped researchers to apply for a JAUW scholarship?
A	Yes. We will accept applications from handicapped researchers/graduate students, but they must consult their host institutes/universities about support for handicapped researchers.
Q5	I'm interested in enrolling in a doctoral program at a Japanese university. Will I be eligible for any type of financial funding from JAUW for a Ph.D.?
A	No. JAUW funds are not available for a doctoral program at a Japanese university.
About host institute/university host-supervisor	
Q6	I'm having trouble finding a prospective host supervisor in Japan. Will you introduce me to a researcher who can supervise my research in Japan?
A	No. It is your responsibility to find a prospective host supervisor by yourself.
Q7	Will you recommend me to an institute/university where I can continue the research I am now undertaking?
A	No. It is your responsibility to find a host institute/university by yourself.
Q8	I cannot find a host supervisor in a Japanese institute/university. Could you tell me how I can find one?
A	We recommend consulting with your supervisor in your country, or you may find one in academic journals of your major.
Q9	Does the Letter of Acceptance have to be written in English, or can it be in Japanese?
A	You should ask your prospective host supervisor to write it in English.
Q10	Can I ask you to help me find accommodations for me?
A	No. You must consult with your prospective host supervisor on this matter.

About application form & submission	
Q11	Where can I get a health certificate? Do I need to contact a Japanese consulate in my country for this?
A	That is not necessary. You should ask some medical institution that can issue a health certificate.
Q12	As for the recommendation letters, is it possible for my references to send them directly to the JAUW office?
A	No. We cannot accept recommendation letters directly. You must include the recommendation letters in your package with the other application documents.
Q13	I submitted my Personal Registration Information Google form. Can you accept other application documents after the deadline ?
A	No. You must send all the application documents by postal mail to arrive by March 31, 2025.
Q14	Can I send my application by e-mail since the deadline is approaching?
A	No. We only accept applications by postal mail.
Q15	Can you accept an application after the deadline in case of a delay in mail service?
A	No. All the application documents must arrive by March 31, 2025.
Q16	When will I receive the fellowship?
A	We will award the fellowship soon after your arrival in Japan.
Q17	Can I apply for a JAUW fellowship with other fellowships ?
A	Yes, you can.
Q18	Do I have to return the fellowship if I return home earlier than scheduled?
A	Yes. Partial refund will be required accordingly.