

2027 Scholarship Application Guidelines for the Australian Applicants



INPEX SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION (the Foundation) was established in March 1981 through a donation from Indonesia Petroleum, Ltd. (currently INPEX CORPORATION). Since its establishment, we have endeavored to promote mutual understanding, friendship, and goodwill between Japan and Indonesia through exchange among international students via scholarships. From 2023, we added Australia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to the countries eligible for scholarship disbursement and are promoting international educational exchange programs.

With a track record of more than 40 years, as of the end of March 2026, the number of scholarship recipients consists of 159 international students and 79 Japanese students.

1. About this Scholarship

This scholarship is provided to the Australian students aspiring to pursue master's program at Japanese universities. The number of recipients will be four (4).

2. Eligibility Criteria

- 1 Australian citizens.
- 2 Hold or to hold a bachelor's degree from a prestigious Australian university with at least 16 years of formal education or possess an equivalent academic background.
- 3 Under 30 years old as of the application deadline.
- 4 Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 / 4.0 or 5.25 / 7.0 or higher.
- 5 Receive permission from their respective institutions, universities or employers to accept the Foundation's scholarship.
- 6 Demonstrate a commitment to fostering friendly relationships between Australia and Japan and a willingness to contribute to these relationships post-study.
- 7 Having not been awarded other scholarships for studying in Japan (concurrent applications are allowed).

3. Scholarship Benefits

Academic Costs (Full Coverage)

The Foundation will fully cover all academic expenses required for enrollment and study, including application / entrance examination fees, admission / enrollment fees, tuition, facility usage fees, and any other fees deemed to be academic costs.

Travel Expenses

Economy class round-trip ticket from any major Australian city to Tokyo. Actual costs from Tokyo to destination campus will be covered.

Note: Expenses required for travel, such as passport acquisition fees, visa acquisition fees, taxes, etc., shall be borne by the scholarship recipient.

Monthly Scholarship

160,000 yen per month (equivalent to living expenses) will be paid.

Settling-in Allowance

Upon arrival in Japan, 60,000 yen will be paid.

Japanese Language Study Support

Up to 72,000 yen to support Japanese language study before departure.

Conference participation / Field research Support

Up to 200,000 yen per year to support participation in conferences and/or field research.

Participation in Events Hosted by the Foundation

Transportation and accommodation costs for attending an event hosted by the Foundation will be covered.

Other Expenses Approved by the Foundation

Other expenses as approved by the Foundation, for example Student Commuter Pass.

Support Period

The payment period for the monthly scholarship shall be up to two years and eight months, including the research student period.

The start date of payment shall be the date of arrival in Japan and the end date of payment shall be whichever is earliest among: the date the recipient leaves Japan upon completion of the master's program; 15 days after the completion date of the master's program; or the end date of the payment period.

Adjustment of the Amount of the Monthly Scholarship

In any case of the first month, temporary departure (for reasons other than study/research), or the final month, if the number of days residing in Japan is 15 days or more, the full amount will be paid; if fewer than 15 days, half the amount will be paid.

4. Suspension of Payment and Refund

If any of the following applies, payment of all or part of the scholarship may be suspended.

1. When continuation of study is deemed impossible due to illness, etc.
2. When academic performance is poor or conduct is judged to be poor.
3. When a supervisor or other relevant authority deems continuation to be inappropriate.
4. When an act that damages the honor of the Foundation occurred.
5. When there was falsification in the application documents or reported contents, or when the scholarship recipient did not comply with the rules set by the Foundation.
6. When the scholarship recipient leaves Japan without permission by the Foundation.
7. When, due to a change in the scholarship recipient's financial circumstances, continued payment is judged to be inappropriate.

5. Application Process

All application documents should be sent by email to isf-foundation@inpex.com by the specified application deadline. The subject line should be "2027 Scholarship Application (Name)." Attachments must be 20MB or less per email; if they exceed this limit, divide them into multiple emails. Submission via cloud storage links (e.g. Google Drive, OneDrive) is not permitted. If you do not receive an acknowledgment email after sending, please make an inquiry to the Foundation.

6. Application Documents

- ① **2027 Scholarship Application Form:** available from the Foundation's website <https://www.inpex-s.com/en>
- ② **Academic Records:** Official transcript from the university. If you are currently enrolled, the transcript at the time of application.
- ③ **Letter of Recommendation:** A letter of recommendation from undergraduate supervisor or current employer with official letterhead and signature.
- ④ **Certificate of Graduation:** Official graduation certificate from the university. If not yet graduated, a certificate of expected graduation from the university.
- ⑤ **Letter of Acceptance :** A letter from prospective supervisor at the Japanese university, stating that the applicant will be accepted if admitted by the university with official letterhead and signature.
- ⑥ **Curriculum Vitae:** Detailed personal and educational background.
- ⑦ **Japanese Language Proficiency:** Japanese Language Proficiency Test certificate (optional)

Note: In principle, the language of the application documents shall be English. For documents in other languages, please attach a simple English translation that indicates an outline.

7. Application Period

From 1 August to 31 October 2026 (must arrive by 23:59 Tokyo time).

Application documents will not be returned. Application with incomplete documents or submitted after the deadline will be disqualified.

8. Selection Process

Among those who meet the eligibility requirements, selection will be made through document screening and an interview. Interviews will be conducted online or in-person (details will be separately notified to the short-listed candidates).

Final recipients will be decided by the end of March 2027. Successful applicants must submit the Letter of Pledge sent together with the notice of acceptance by the designated date. If it is not submitted by the deadline, the applicant will lose eligibility to receive the scholarship.

9. Start of Scholarship Receipt

Those selected as scholarship recipients must, unless there is a special reason, arrive in Japan by 31 March 2028 and begin receiving the scholarship.

10. Accommodation in Japan

No accommodation in Japan will be provided by the Foundation. Each scholarship recipient must secure accommodation at their own responsibility.

11. Reporting Obligations

Scholarship recipients must submit the following reports to the Foundation.

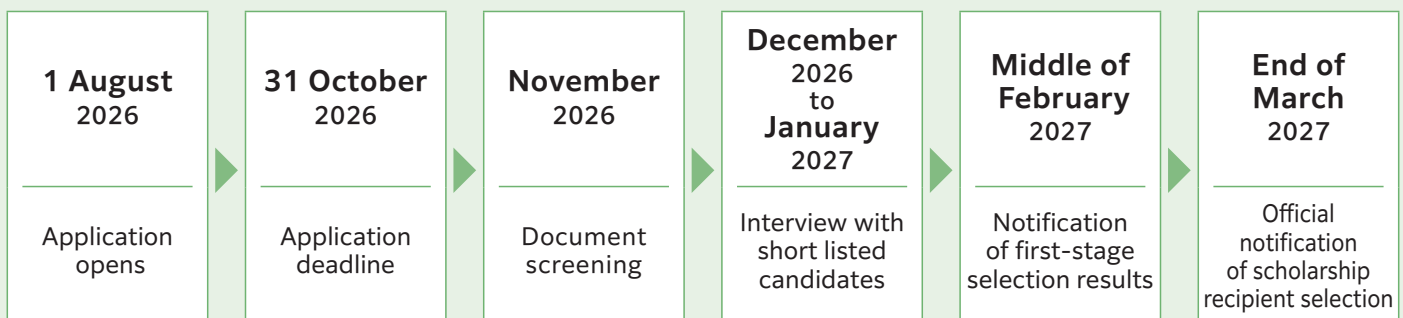
During the Scholarship Period

- Every quarter, report the academic progress and life in Japan.
- When a change in financial circumstances is expected due to other scholarships or income, report without delay.

After completing the master's program

- Report the results of research to the Foundation.
- Submit a copy of master's thesis to the Foundation.

12. 2027 Selection Schedule



13. Handling of Personal Information

Personal information obtained through applications will be used only for the purposes of scholarship selection and procedures incidental thereto. Except as required by laws and regulations, it will not be provided to third parties without the applicant's consent. Acquired personal information will be managed appropriately.

14. Other

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us by email to isf-foundation@inpex.com. However, we cannot respond to individual inquiries regarding selection results and reasons for selection. Matters not stipulated in these Guidelines shall be governed by the rules prescribed by the Foundation.

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