

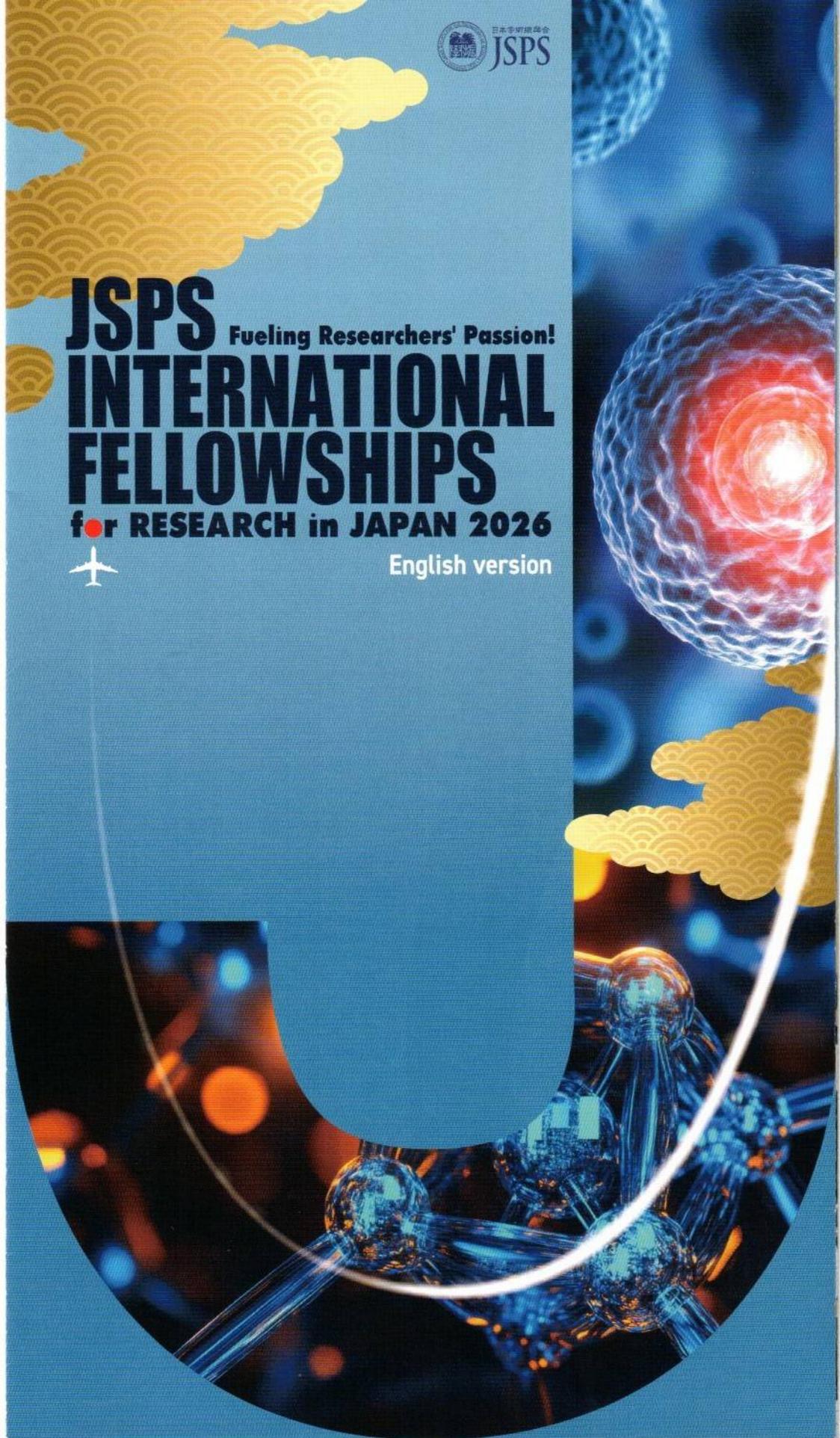


JSPS Fueling Researchers' Passion! INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

for RESEARCH in JAPAN 2026



English version



JSPS INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) is an independent administrative institution that performs the following main functions:

- Creating Knowledge in Diverse and Profound Fields
- Fostering Next Generation of Researchers who Challenge the Creation of New Genres of Knowledge
- Strengthening the Support Base for Science Promotion in Universities and Research Institutions
- Strengthening International Research Networks
- Strengthening the Support Base for Science Promotion

Features



We value the pursuit of knowledge above all else. The program is open to all, regardless of nationality or academic field.



Tailored to a full spectrum of researchers from early-career researchers to eminent scientists



Multiple application opportunities throughout the year

Science Dialogue

Science Dialogue offers JSPS fellows the unique opportunities to volunteer to give lectures in English on their research work at Japanese high schools in the vicinity of their host institutes.

 <https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-sdialogue/>

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JSPS Fellows Plaza

JSPS Fellows Plaza supports JSPS fellows during their research tenure in Japan, and after they have returned to their country through the alumni associations.

 <https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-plaza/index.html>

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researchmap

"researchmap" is, as a general guide to Japanese researchers, Japan's largest researcher information database. Registered information on research results can be openly disseminated over the Internet using researchmap. As researchmap is linked to e-Rad and many university faculty databases, it allows registered information to be accessed by other systems.

 <https://researchmap.jp/>



JSPS Researchers Network (JSPS-Net)

JSPS has launched the JSPS-Net, a social networking service, to support the formation of networks and research communities for both Japanese and international researchers to contribute to strengthening and expanding human networks derived from long years of research exchange between Japan and other countries.

 <https://www.jsp-net.jsp.go.jp/>

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LinkedIn

Information about JSPS is also available on LinkedIn. Please follow us at JSPS International Academic Cooperations.

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for RESEARCH in JAPAN 2026

JSPS carries out programs that provide overseas researchers who have an excellent record of research achievements with an opportunity to conduct collaborative research, discussions, and opinion exchanges with researchers in Japan.

Application Flow (Open Calls)

● Application deadline ● Fellowship starting date

Programs	Eligible Applicants	Recruitment	2025					2026					2027							
			8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1
Postdoctoral Fellowships Short-term (PE) (1-10 months)	Pre/ Postdocs	1st Call	● 26th					●					● Apr 2026-Mar 2027							
		2nd Call	●					● 9th					● Aug 2026-Mar 2027							
		3rd Call	●					●					● 5th					● Dec 2026-Mar 2027		
Standard (12-24 months)	Postdocs	1st Call	● 29th					●					● Apr 2026-Sep 2026							
		2nd Call	●					● 28th					● Sep 2026-Nov 2026							
Invitational Fellowships Long-term (2-10 months)	Mid-career /Professor	FY2026	● 29th					●					● Apr 2026-Mar 2027							
		1st Call	● 29th					●					● Apr 2026-Mar 2027							
Short-term (14-60 days)		2nd Call	●					● 28th					● Oct 2026-Mar 2027							

-Applications follow the same schedule each year.

-The above periods and deadlines apply to applications submitted by host institutions to JSPS Tokyo. Please note that each host institution may set its own deadlines, which can be more than one month earlier than those established by JSPS. Candidates should confirm the exact deadlines with their host institution in advance.



Summer Program

Duration of Fellowship 2 months in summer

Approximate Number of Fellowships Awarded 100

Purpose

To provide opportunities for pre- / post-doctoral researchers from the US, Canada, and Europe to receive an orientation on Japanese culture and Japanese language lessons and to pursue research under the guidance of host researchers in universities and other Japanese institutions.

Fellow Eligibility

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of the US, the UK, France, Germany, Canada or Sweden (Others with equivalent status may apply if approved by the nominating authority in one of the above countries.).
- Be enrolled in a university graduate program or hold a doctorate received within the past 6 years.



<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-fellow/e-summer/index.html>

Host Eligibility

Be a researcher who is employed full-time at a university

Terms of Award

-  Round-trip air ticket
-  Overseas travel insurance
-  Maintenance allowance of JPY534,000
-  Research support allowance of up to JPY158,500

How to Apply

- Nomination through an overseas nominating authority.
- The requirements may differ depending on the nominating authority.

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◆ When applying, please be sure to familiarize yourself with the program

Before and after earning Doctoral Degree

Short-term (PE)

Duration of Fellowship 1 to 12 months

Approximate Number of Fellowships Awarded 140

Purpose

To provide opportunities for pre- / post-doctoral researchers from the US, Canada, and Europe to conduct, under the guidance of their hosts, cooperative research with leading research groups in universities and other Japanese institutions.

Fellow Eligibility

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of the US, Canada, EU countries, UK, Switzerland, Norway, or Russia.
- Also eligible are persons who have been engaged in research continuously for a period of at least three years at a university or research institution in one of the eligible countries. They must be from a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan.*
- Hold a doctorate received within the past 6 years, or be enrolled in a doctoral course and expected to receive a Ph.D. within 2 years.

* JSPS includes Taiwanese and Palestinian researchers under this eligibility criterion.



https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-fellow/e-oubei-s/short_list.html

Short-term (PA)

Duration of Fellowship 1 to 12 months

Approximate Number of Fellowships Awarded Limited Positions

Purpose

To provide opportunities for pre- / post-doctoral researchers from the ASEAN member countries and African countries to conduct, under the guidance of their hosts, cooperative research with leading research groups in universities and other Japanese institutions.

Fellow Eligibility

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of the ASEAN member countries and African countries.
- Also eligible are persons who have been engaged in research continuously for a period of at least three years at a university or research institution in one of the eligible countries. They must be from a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan.*
- Hold a doctorate received within the past 6 years, or be enrolled in a doctoral course and expected to receive a Ph.D. within 2 years.

* JSPS includes Taiwanese and Palestinian researchers under this eligibility criterion.



<https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-fellow/e-asean-africa-s/index.html>

by or research institution

Field of Research

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences

Terms of Award

- Round-trip air ticket Overseas travel insurance
- Monthly maintenance allowance Ph.D. holders: JPY362,000 Non-Ph.D. holders: JPY200,000
Settling-in allowance of JPY200,000 (For 3 or more months of tenure)
- Research support allowance of up to JPY70,000 × the number of months of tenure

How to Apply

Application made by a host researcher through their institution in Japan

- Nomination through an overseas nominating authority.
- The requirements may differ depending on the nominating authority.



How to Apply

- Nomination through the overseas nominating authority in your region.
- The requirements may differ depending on the nominating authority.

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guidelines.

After earning Doctoral Degree

Standard

Duration of Fellowship 12 to 24 months

Approximate Number of Fellowships Awarded 380

Purpose

To provide opportunities for excellent postdoctoral researchers from other countries to conduct, under the guidance of their hosts, cooperative research with leading research groups in universities and other Japanese institutions.

Fellow Eligibility

- Be a citizen of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan*.
- Hold a doctorate received within the past 6 years, or be scheduled to receive a doctorate before the Fellowship goes into effect.

* JSPS includes Taiwanese and Palestinian researchers under this eligibility criterion.



<https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-fellow/e-ippan/index.html>

Mid-career/Professor

Long-term, Short-term

Duration of Fellowship Long-term 2 to 10 months/Short-term 14 to 60 days

Approximate Number of Fellowships Awarded Long-term 60/Short-term 160

Purpose

To provide opportunities for overseas researchers with excellent records of research achievements to conduct collaborative research, discussions, opinion exchanges, lectures, and other activities with Japanese colleagues.

Fellow Eligibility

- Be a citizen or a permanent resident of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan*.
To be eligible, researchers of Japanese nationality residing overseas must have lived in other country for at least 10 years and been actively engaged in research in that country throughout the period.
- Be a researcher in a position equivalent to a university professor, associate professor, or assistant professor in Japan, or have received a doctorate 6 years or more prior.

* JSPS includes Taiwanese and Palestinian researchers under this eligibility criterion.



<https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-inv/how.html>

Host Eligibility

Be a researcher who is employed full-time at a university or research institution

Field of Research

All fields of the humanities, social

Terms of Award

- Round-trip air ticket Overseas travel insurance
- Monthly maintenance allowance of JPY362,000
 Settling-in allowance of JPY200,000
- Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Research Fellows (KAKENHI)

How to Apply

Application made by a host researcher through their institution in Japan

- Nomination through an overseas nominating authority
- The requirements may differ depending on the nominating authority.



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Terms of Award

- Round-trip air ticket Overseas travel insurance
- Monthly maintenance allowance of JPY387,600 (Long-term)
 Daily maintenance allowance of JPY18,000 (Short-term)
- Research support allowance of up to JPY150,000

How to Apply

Application made by a host researcher through their institution in Japan

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E-mail invitation@jps.go.jp

BRIDGE Fellowship Program

Exclusively for Regular Members of
JSPS Alumni Associations

BRIDGE Fellowship Program

Duration of Fellowship 14 to 30 days

Approximate Number of Fellowships Awarded 50

Purpose

To provide opportunities for alumni members who have conducted research activities in Japan under JSPS programs to sustain, develop, and/or strengthen research collaborations with Japanese colleagues.

Fellow Eligibility

- Be a researcher who has experienced research in Japan under a JSPS program and who is currently a regular member of an officially recognized JSPS alumni association.
- Be a researcher who is employed as an active researcher working at a university or a research institute.
- Host researcher must agree to accept the Fellow.

<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-alumni/index.html>



Terms of Award

- Round-trip air ticket Overseas travel insurance
- Daily maintenance allowance of JPY13,000
- Research support allowance of up to JPY100,000

How to Apply

Nomination through the applicant's JSPS alumni association

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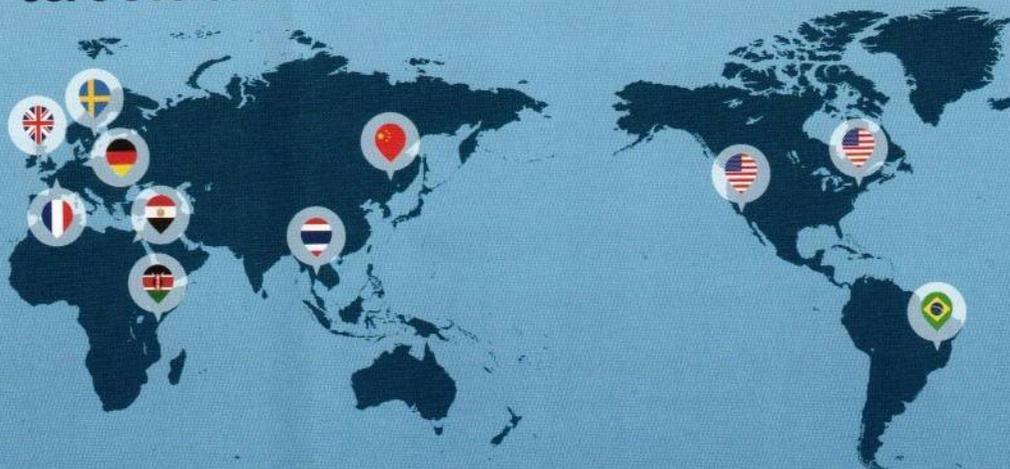
Alumni Associations

JSPS supports twenty one researcher communities (alumni associations) established by former JSPS fellows in countries around the world, allowing them to maintain and expand their networks among themselves and with Japanese colleagues after completing their tenures and returning to their countries. The BRIDGE Fellowship Program provides members of officially established JSPS alumni associations with opportunities to revisit Japan.

<https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-alumni/index.html>
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Thailand

JSPS Bangkok Office https://jps-th.org/jps_en/



China

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Egypt

JSPS Cairo Research Station <https://jpscairo.com/en/>



Kenya

JSPS Nairobi Research Station <https://www.jspnairobi.org/en/>



Brazil

JSPS Science Advisor in São Paulo <https://www.jsp.go.jp/english/e-overseas/saopaulo/>

History of JSPS Alumni associations

Germany 1995	France 2003	UK&Ireland 2004	US & Canada 2004	Sweden 2005	India 2006	Egypt 2008	Eastern Africa 2008	Korea 2008	Bangladesh 2009	
Finland 2009	Thailand 2010	China 2010	Philippines 2013	Nepal 2015	Denmark 2015	Indonesia 2016	Australia 2017	Norway 2019	Malaysia 2019	Italy 2025



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