

Ajinomoto Scholarship for ASEAN International Students
Applications to Open in January 2009 for April or October 2010 enrollment

The Ajinomoto Scholarship Foundation was established in 1957 for the purpose of making a contribution to the development of scientific research by nurturing scientists who can contribute to the future of society. Created with an endowment from Ajinomoto Co., Inc. and Saburosuke Suzuki III, a relative of Ajinomoto's founder and third president of the company (chairman at the time the Foundation was established), the Foundation has to date provided scholarship loans and grants to 1,459 Japanese and overseas undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral students.

History of the Ajinomoto Scholarship Foundation:

June 1957 Establishment of the Suzuki Scholarship Foundation

Endowment from Saburosuke Suzuki (Chairman of Ajinomoto) and Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Started scholarship loans to undergraduates and graduate students

April 1991 Started grants (including overseas research travel expenses) for postdoctoral fellows

April 2005 Suzuki Scholarship Foundation changed its name to Ajinomoto Scholarship Foundation. Started grants for international students studying in Japan

With the Foundation having passed its half-century milestone and Ajinomoto Co., Inc. due **to celebrate its 100th anniversary next year**, in January 2009 the Foundation will begin accepting applications for a new scholarship available to students from five ASEAN countries (Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Vietnam), which are a key region for Ajinomoto's overseas operations. This program, made possible thanks to generous assistance by local affiliates of Ajinomoto in these five ASEAN countries, will enable outstanding students wishing to enroll in a University of Tokyo master's course (major in one of the sciences) to secure scholarships before their arrival in Japan. We have a plan to continue such scholarship program in the coming years.

Applications submitted during the application period beginning January 2009, are for intended enrollment in the University of Tokyo (www.u-tokyo.ac.jp) in April or October 2010.

Outline of Ajinomoto Scholarship for ASEAN International Students.

Eligibility

Applicants who wish to enroll in a master's course and **major in one of the sciences (except medicine and veterinary medicine) at the University of Tokyo** and who fulfill the following requirements and qualifications.

1. Applicants must be citizens of Thailand, **Indonesia**, Malaysia, the Philippines, or Vietnam.
2. Number of student to be accepted from each country: 1 (one) student, total 5 students from 5 ASEAN countries.
3. Applicants must have graduated or be expected to graduate with an **excellent academic record** (with 16 years of education completed or expected to be completed) and must receive the recommendation of their university president or academic advisor or be otherwise qualified to enroll in the University of Tokyo.
4. Applicants must have **outstanding academic achievement with GPA at least 3.7**.
5. Applicants must **be under the age of 35 on April 1, 2010**.
6. (a) If the applicant wishes to enroll as a Postgraduate International Research Student (hereinafter "Research Student"), the applicant must be able to obtain approval from the University of Tokyo and be registered as a Research Student for April 2010 or October 2010.
(b) If the applicant wishes to enroll directly as a master's course student, the applicant must be able to obtain approval from the University of Tokyo and be registered as a master's course student for April 2010 or October 2010.
7. Applicants must have adequate Japanese language proficiency to study as a master's course student of the University of Tokyo (Japanese Language Proficiency Test Level 1 or equivalent). Applicants must be able to pass at least Level 3 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (hereinafter "JLPT") in a test administered no later than December 2009 (candidates wishing to enter as a master's course student) or December 2010 (candidates wishing to enter as a Research Student). However, applicants who wish to enroll in "Information, Technology, and Society in Asia course (hereinafter "ITASIA")" of Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies does not require above Japanese language proficiency.
8. Applicants must apply from the above 5 countries and **be able to attend selection procedures as necessary**.
9. Applicants **must be in good physical and mental health and have a strong motivation for learning**.
10. Applicants **must not be receiving other scholarships**.
11. All application documents submitted shall not be returned.
12. Only short listed strictly selected candidates will be invited for interview in

Ajinomoto and such decision is full authority of Ajinomoto (no correspondences/calls allowed regarding the reason behind such decision making).

13. Should any application points be unclear please contact Ajinomoto office (phone, email & contact person details in page 5 below).

Detailed Scholarship Amounts

- a) Research Student at graduate school: ¥150,000/month (for max. 1 year)
- b) Master's course at graduate school: ¥180,000/month (for max. 2 years)
- c) Examination, Admission and Tuition fees: covered in full
- d) Airfare (to and from Japan): covered up to ¥200,000 (equivalent amount for economy class ticket)

Number of students to be accepted

1 (one) student from each of 5 countries (Thailand, **Indonesia**, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Vietnam)

Period of Scholarships

Scholarships will be provided for max. 3 years, 1 year studying as a Research Student and max. 2 years studying in a master's course. The scholarship will be suspended if the scholarship recipient fails to pass the entrance exam for a master's course within a year after arriving to Japan if the recipient enters as a Research Student.

If the recipient enters as a master's course student, scholarships will be provided for max. 2 years.

Applicable Fields of Study

Master's courses in one of the sciences (except medicine and veterinary medicine) of the University of Tokyo. Refer appendix 1 (Documents for Final Selection and required documents for applying as a Postgraduate International Research Student to the University of Tokyo).

Application Documents for Screening Process

- 1) Application form with 3x4cm recent color photograph taken within last 6 months >prescribed form No. 1
- 2) Field of Study and study program >prescribed form No. 2
- 3) Original University Transcript (no photocopies)
- 4) A letter of recommendation from University President or Academic Advisor or Dean >prescribed form No. 3

Selection Process

1. Screening

Screening will be based on the received documents, such as Research Activities and Study Plans, University Transcript and the Letter of Recommendation.

2. Final selection

Final selection for applicants passed by screening will be based on the following documents.

1) Necessary documents for applying to graduate school and the applicant's major

Result of TOEFL, etc. (See appendix 1)

2) Graduation or degree certificate

Those who had not yet graduated at the time of application are requested to submit an authorized statement of anticipated graduation.

Note: An interview will be held for final selection (in Japanese or English)

Suspension or Termination of Scholarship

The scholarship will be suspended or terminated immediately, and the money already disbursed may be subject to repayment in full or in part if any one of the following conditions applies to the scholarship recipient:

a) False information found in the application form.

b) Receives any other scholarship.

c) Fails to pass the entrance examination to a University of Tokyo master's course within one year after arriving to Japan (recipient who enters as a Research Student).

d) Fails to pass at least JLPT level 3 in a test administered no later than December 2009 (recipient wishing to enter as a master's course student).

Fails to pass at least JLPT level 3 in a test administered no later than December 2010 (recipient wishing to enter as a Research Student).

e) Fails to arrive in Japan by the appointed date.

f) Shows poor academic performance due to absence, lack of desire to study or being unable to keep up research for some reason.

g) Has difficulty continuing to study due to illness or other health problems.

h) Violates the rules of the University of Tokyo or the Ajinomoto Scholarship Foundation.

Schedule of Selection Dates and Notification

Announcement	2 - 12 December 2008
Application submission dead line	<u>27 February 2009</u>
First Interview	5 - 12 March 2009
Notification of the result	<u>27 August 2009</u>

Screening Process

1. Documents should be submitted to PT AJINOMOTO INDONESIA are :
 - a. **Application form (prescribed form No. 1).**
 - b. **Research activities and study plans (prescribed form No. 2)**
 - c. **Original University Transcripts.**
 - d. **Letter of Recommendation from University President/Academic Advisor/Dean (prescribed form No. 3).**

Above documents must be received by PT AJINOMOTO INDONESIA at **February 27, 2009 at the latest**. Kindly send the documents to **PT AJINOMOTO INDONESIA, Graha Rekso Building 5th Floor, Jln. Boulevar Artha Gading Kav A1, Sentra Bisnis Artha Gading, Kelapa Gading, Jakarta 14240. Phone: 021-45856855 Fax: 021-4585 6875 > Attn to Mr. Wahyu Darmayani (wahyu_d@ajinomoto.co.id)**

2. After our internal screening applicant documents PT AJINOMOTO INDONESIA will notify and invite **top candidates selected** from each university to be interviewed in **Jakarta on March 5, 2009 and in Surabaya on March 12, 2009**. The location of interview based on the nearest location of student's home university.

Interview in Jakarta at PT AJINOMOTO INDONESIA Head Office at **Graha Rekso Building 5th Floor, Jln. Boulevar Artha Gading Kav A1, Sentra Bisnis Artha Gading, Kelapa Gading, Jakarta 14240. Phone: 021-45856855 Fax: 021-4585 6875. At 01.00 to 04.00 PM.**

Interview In Surabaya at our **PT AJINOMOTO SALES INDONESIA at Jln. Raya Kletek No. 98, Taman – Sidoarjo Phone: 031-7888764 Fax: 031-78888765. At 01.00 to 04.00 PM.**

3. PT. AJINOMOTO INDONESIA shall notify and contact **top 6 chosen candidates in early May 2009** for further selection process. They requested to provide additional necessary documents for Final Selection Process:
 - a. **Application form for International research student.**
 - b. **Brief Study Program.**
 - c. **Study Plan in Japan.**
 - d. **Graduation or degree certificate.**
 - e. **Original university transcripts for all universities attended (translated in English).**
 - f. **Medical report (Issued within 6 months from applying date). For details for each major please see the attached appendix 1.**
4. The result of such final screening will be announced in early July, and if more

than one applicant receives provisional approval there will be a last interview in PT. AJINOMOTO INDONESIA by late July 2009 to decide one candidate to be given scholarship to study at University of Tokyo. **The decision will be notified in August 2009.**

5. By **September 2009** the selected nominated student must compile all the necessary documents and follow the required procedures and preparations for getting a passport and a visa for entry into Japan.

Documents for Final Selection and required documents for applying as a Postgraduate International Research Student to the University of Tokyo

Graduate Schools	Documents for Final Selection	Reference Postgraduate International Research Student Remarks for required documents and necessary documents to applying to graduate schools
Engineering		<p>Required Documents</p> <p>Application form for international research student</p> <p>Prescribed form</p> <p>Brief Study Program/Prescribed Form</p> <p>Study plan in Japan including financial plan</p> <p>Prescribed Form</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate English preferable</p> <p>Original university transcripts for all University attended English preferable</p> <p>A letter of recommendation from the University president or a dean. Issued within 6 month from applying date</p> <p>Certificate of Japanese language proficiency from Japanese language teacher</p> <p>Prescribed form or proof for Japanese language proficiency</p> <p>Medical Report Issued within 6 month from applying date</p> <p>Address form (Prescribed form)</p>
Science	<p>Those who wish to major physics submit the score of GRE Subject Test (PTT, physics)</p> <p>General Test is unnecessary.</p>	<p>Apply directly to a graduate school of science master's course.</p> <p>International Research Students are not accepted.</p>

	<p>Those who wish to enter biophysics, submit the score of GRE Subject Test P27, physics. And also, except GRE Subject Test P22: Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology, if necessary.</p> <p>Those who wish to major astronomy, submit the score of GRE Subject Test P27, physics.</p> <p>Those who wish to major earth and planetary science, submit the score of GRE General Test and TOEFL.</p>	
<p>Agricultural and Life Sciences (Excluding Veterinary Medical Sciences)</p>		<p>Receive consent from the academic advisor of the University of Tokyo.</p> <p>Required Documents</p> <p>Application form for international research student</p> <p>Prescribed Form</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate</p> <p>Original university and graduate school transcript</p> <p>A letter of recommendation from the University or graduate school president or academic advisor</p> <p>Certificate of Japanese language proficiency</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Prescribed form</p> <p>Medical Report issued within 3 months from applying date. Prescribed form</p> <p>Study plan in Japan Prescribed Form</p>
<p>Pharmaceutical Science</p>		<p>Need informal consent from the academic advisor of the University of Tokyo before applying</p> <p>Notify the following details to the academic advisor</p> <p>Academic background Employment record</p> <p>How the applicant knew about the academic advisor and the laboratory.</p>

		<p>Why the applicant choose this academic advisor</p> <p>Study plan in Japan</p> <p>Whether the applicant is advancing to graduate school (Master's or Doctorial Course)</p> <p>Name, profession and the address of the referee and the relation between the referee.</p> <p>Financial Plan during the stay in Japan</p> <p>A copy of graduation or degree certificate and university transcript</p> <p>A copy of letter of recommendation from University academic advisor</p> <p>Proof of Japanese language proficiency.</p> <p>Required Documents</p> <p>Application form for International research student</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate of university and graduate school.</p> <p>Original university and graduate school transcript</p> <p>A letter of recommendation from the University or graduate school president, dean or academic advisor</p> <p>Certificate of Japanese language proficiency</p> <p>(Prescribed form.)</p> <p>Medical Report (Prescribed form)</p> <p>Study plan in Japan (Prescribed form)</p> <p>Financial Plan for the stay in Japan</p> <p>Prescribed form</p> <p>Certificate of deposit balance at the time of applying</p> <p>Trading certificate of the bank</p>
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		<p>3 months before applying</p> <p>If the applicant uses scholarship program to study in Japan, submit the scholarship recipient certificate of the association.</p>
Frontier Science Excess. Arts course		<p>Receive the signature from the academic advisor and dean.</p> <p>Required Documents</p> <p>Application form for international research student</p> <p>Prescribed form</p> <p>Brief study program and the concept</p> <p>(Prescribed form)</p> <p>Study plan in Japan (Prescribed form)</p> <p>Certificate of Japanese language proficiency</p> <p>(Prescribed form)</p> <p>Medical Report (Prescribed form)</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate of university and graduate school</p> <p>Original university and graduate school transcript</p> <p>*Return mail envelope A4</p>
Information Science and Technology		<p>Need informal consent from academic advisor before applying</p> <p>Required Documents</p> <p>Application form for international research student</p> <p>(Prescribed form)</p> <p>Study program (Prescribed form)</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate of university and graduate school</p> <p>Original university and graduate school</p>

		<p>transcript</p> <p>EA letter of recommendation from the University or graduate school, dean or academic adviser</p> <p>(issued within 6 months from application deadline)</p> <p>Certificate of Japanese language proficiency</p> <p>(Prescribed form, issued within 6 months from application deadline)</p> <p>Medical report (prescribed form, issued within 3 months from applying deadline)</p> <p>Study plan in Japan (Prescribed form)</p> <p>Return mail envelope (A4)</p> <p>Other documents might be needed according to the majors in time of applying.</p> <p>Interview might be held.</p>
<p>Arts and Science</p> <p>Department of Multidisciplinary Science</p>		<p>Contact with the academic advisor of the University of Tokyo before applying.</p> <p>Required Documents</p> <p>Application form for international research student</p> <p>Prescribed form</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate of university (all applicants) and graduate school (if applicable)</p> <p>Original university transcript (all applicants) and graduate school transcript (if applicable)</p> <p>EA letter of recommendation from the University or graduate school president, dean or academic adviser</p> <p>(issued within 6 months from</p>

		<p>application deadline)</p> <p>Certificate of Japanese language proficiency</p> <p>(Prescribed form. Certified by the academic advisor or other appropriate adviser; if the applicant has passed Japanese Language Proficiency Test, the copy of the certificate is accepted.</p> <p>Medical Report (Prescribed Form)</p> <p>Study plan in Japan (Prescribed Form)</p> <p>Study plan may be in English. If in English, indicate "(1) Study Program and results. (2) Study Plan in Japan" up to 500 words each.</p>
<p>Mathematical Science</p>		<p>Apply directly to a graduate school master's course.</p> <p>International Research Students are not accepted. ☐</p>

<p>Interdisciplinary Information Studies Text and Arts course</p>		<p>Required Documents (except "TASTA" 1)</p> <p>Application form for international research student</p> <p>[Prescribed form]</p> <p>[Study program (prescribed form)]</p> <p>Study plan in Japan (Prescribed Form)</p> <p>Graduation or degree certificate graduation and degree certificate of graduate school (if applicable)</p> <p>Original university transcript graduate school transcript (if applicable)</p> <p>A letter of recommendation from the University or graduate school president, Dean, academic advisor or other appropriate advisor</p> <p>[Certificate of Japanese language proficiency (prescribed form, issued within 6 months from Application deadline) A copy Japanese language proficiency Test Certificate is accepted. This certificate is not required for applicant who graduated or will graduate Japanese university</p> <p>[A copy of Certificate of Facts on Foreigner Registration or Certificate of Alien Registration (See details in Japan only)]</p> <p>Two passport style photographs (4cm X width 3cm) Faste 1 photograph on the application form.</p> <p>[Address sheet for informing selection results</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[Prescribed</p>
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		<p>form;</p> <p>*U.S. CITIZENSHIP: Apply directly to a graduate school; master's course.</p> <p>International Research Students are not accepted.</p>
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Please refer BP, etc., of each graduate schools for the latest assigned documents before applying.

Please prepare the necessary document, such as TOEFL Official Score Report, according to the above list.

The scores of TOEFL, GMAT, and GRE should be within 2 years from applying date.