Application Guideline for
The Konosuke Matsushita Memorial Foundation Scholarship 2015

The Konosuke Matsushita Memorial Foundation will support international students who conduct research related to our objectives “to contribute to international society by promoting mutual understanding between Japan and other countries” and “to create society where mankind coexists with nature”.

●Eligibility

1. Students with excellent academic performance who conduct research related to either or both of our objectives below:
   ①Mutual understanding between Japan and other countries
   ②Coexistence of mankind and nature

2. Qualifications
   - Those from Asian, African, and Latin American countries
     "Asia" includes West Asia (#1) ,Central Asia (#2)　North end is Mongolia, and south end is Indonesia.
     "Africa" includes African continent and surrounding islands.
     "Latin America" includes southern from Mexico (including the Caribbean area).
     (#1) Six countries of Arabian Peninsula, Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Yemen, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Israel, Turkey, and Cyprus
     (#2) Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan
   - Those who begin Master’s program in Japanese universities in fall
     Including students who has already started studying in japan as a bachelor or a research student.
   - Those who can participate in our events held a few times a year

●Scholarship outlines

1. Number of scholar to be accepted
   One from each university

2. Scholarship benefits
   Living expense:　120,000 yen per month
   Admission fee:　up to 300,000 yen
   Tuition:　up to 600,000 yen per year
   Travel expense: Economy class round trip airfare between Japan and your country*
   (*Travel expense will be paid only to those who will newly arrive in Japan.)

   Payment Method
   Scholarship:　to be paid directly to students once every 3 months

Date of payment: September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th*
(*The first payment date can be scheduled later than Sept. 15th according to the time you are selected as a scholar and your arrival date for those who will newly arrive in Japan)

Admission fee & Tuition: Each university can select from following 3 ways.

1) Students first have to pay and get reimbursed from KMMF later by submitting payment receipt to KMMF.
2) University request KMMF to pay with an account.
3)Students forward the bill to KMMF and KMMF pays on behalf of them.

3. Scholarship term

from October 2015 until completion of Master's program in 2017
(Maximum 2 years)

4. Obligations for scholars

・Concluding pledge with us (right after you are selected as a scholar.)
・Submitting report quarterly
・Attending one night training seminar to learn philosophy of the Matsushita Foundation (scheduled to be held in Nov.-Dec.)
(travel / accommodation fees will be covered.)
・Attending the events to facilitate interaction with other Matsushita scholars
(travel / accommodation fees will be covered.)
・Contributing an article to anthology in the last year

●Selection

1. Selection method

University recommends candidates. (University recommends 3 candidates considering diversity of candidates' background.)

Application deadline: Early Aug, 2015 (Feasible to change over consultation according to the schedule of entrance exam and result announcement.)

Candidates are screened by required documents submitted. (Interview is to be given if necessary)

Required documents to be submitted:

①Application form
②Transcript
③Research plan
④Essay (one A4 page): Title: "What kind of contribution you'd like to make to the society in a future?"

2. Result announcement

2 weeks after recommendation from university