

Japan America Society of San Antonio Scholarship Program



General Information

The purpose of this scholarship is to promote mutual understanding of the cultures, business environments and people of the United States and Japan. Further, its purpose is to help strengthen the relationship between San Antonio and its Japanese sister city, Kumomoto, Japan.

A recipient is expected to maintain high standards of achievement while serving as a bridge of understanding and friendship between the peoples of the United States and Japan.

Criteria: Applicant must be a US citizen. Selection of a candidate for the scholarship is to be based solely on the qualification of the applicant without regard for economic status, age, sex, race or religion. Proficiency in the Japanese language is not a requirement if applicant can show that courses of study can be done in English. Applicant must have completed at least 60 college credit hours.

The scholarship may be awarded for study at any San Antonio college or university or for study in Japan. The subject area of study should lead to the student developing a foundation for promoting a stronger relationship between the United States and Japan. Recipient must be willing to participate in and support local activities of JASSA.

Scholarship Award: The awardees will receive a one-year scholarship, in an amount ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500. Recipients are permitted to reapply for a second scholarship. The JASSA scholarship committee will make the final selection of the recipients. The award will be made in one payment to the recipient. All the applicants will be notified of the decision.

Selection Criteria: All JASSA scholarship applications will be reviewed by the committee based on the following criteria:

- a) Applicant's academic qualifications based upon grade point average and the relevancy of courses taken toward area of study
- b) Applicant's academic and career goals
- c) Recommendations from two college/university professors

Academic Record: A transcript or other official evidence of academic record at all colleges or universities the applicant has attended must be attached to the application.

Applicant's Certification: An applicant must carefully read the "applicant certification" on the application form and sign the certification to indicate his/her understanding and acceptance of the responsibilities and obligations of the award and the conditions under which the scholarship may be revoked.

Application Process: The application deadline is twice a year; one in March for the fall semester, and the other in October for the spring semester every year. This deadline is a postmark date. The applicant must put all the application materials in an envelope and mail it to JASSA, c/o Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 460444, San Antonio, Texas 78246-0444.

Revocation of Awards: JASSA scholarship awards may be suspended or revoked if the applicant fails to meet satisfactory standards of academic performance and/or personal conduct, as determined by the JASSA scholarship committee, or by the institution of attendance, or if the applicant fails to remain in school for the duration of the scholarship.

Reports: After the end of the year of study, a written report is required. This report will summarize the year of study and will be submitted to the JASSA scholarship committee within six weeks after completion of the school year, but no later than July 15th. The report should include a narrative detailing activities, accomplishments, and difficulties encountered during the year. Please include any suggestions that may be useful to future scholars. The recipient will also be invited to a JASSA meeting to make an oral presentation of the experience.

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Applicant's Certification**

I hereby apply for the JASSA Scholarship (check appropriate box)

for study at a San Antonio college or university

for study in Japan

If I receive the scholarship, I agree:

- 1) To maintain at least a 2.5 GPA and to make no change in my field of study during the term of this scholarship without the consent of JASSA.
- 2) To be enrolled full-time at an accredited program of a college or university during the scholarship period.
- 3) To submit a "proof of admission" issued by the college or university that will be attended during the scholarship period.
- 4) To adhere to the terms of the JASSA scholarship as described in the General Information sheet, which I have received and read.
- 5) To keep JASSA informed. I will submit a report of my study results after the year of study. The reports will be submitted to JASSA within six weeks after completion of the school year or by July 15th. See General Information for report content.
- 6) To willingly support local activities of JASSA.
- 7) For study abroad, to arrange for my own protection and at my own expense, insurance valid in the country of my study and in places in which I will travel.

I understand and agree that my scholarship may be suspended or revoked if I fail to meet satisfactory standards of academic performance or if I am involved in any incident relating to criminal conduct or moral turpitude or which may otherwise bring discredit upon the JASSA scholarship program or by the institution that I will be attending. I understand that the JASSA scholarship committee assumes no responsibility or obligation whatsoever beyond providing the amount of the award.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Japan America Society of San Antonio Scholarship Application

Full Name: _____ Student ID or SSN: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Current Address (if different): _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Country of Citizenship: _____ Place & Date of Birth: _____

Name of College or University Enrolled During the Scholarship Period

Person to notify in case of emergency (name, relationship, address, phone number):

1) Please provide a brief description of your current major/minor field(s) of study and your current interests.

2) Please list any secondary language studied along with the number of credit hours completed for each.

3) Please list your personal achievements, any activities related to enhancing the relationship between the United States and Japan, and membership in any relevant organizations.

4) Please indicate what your anticipated career path will be five years from now and how you envision your future role in promoting relations between the United States and Japan.

Include with the application:

- 1) Signed Applicant's Certification
- 2) Recommendations from two college/university professors
- 3) Transcripts or other official evidence of an academic record at all colleges or universities which you have attended.
- 4) Proof of Enrollment
- 5) For study abroad, medical certificate filled out by a licensed physician certifying that the applicant has no major medical problems that would preclude study abroad.

Mail to:

JASSA Scholarship Program

P.O. Box 460444

San Antonio, Texas 78246-0444