

Outline of First Screening by the Embassy of Japan in Palau
Japanese Government (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship for 2026
(Research Students)

The Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Palau will conduct First Screening of applicants of the Japanese Government (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology: MEXT) Scholarship Program for 2025 as follows. As for the fields of study, qualifications and conditions, and the details of the scholarship, please refer to the application guidelines.

1. Application procedure

Applicants must submit the following documents to the Embassy by the date below (The deadline must be met strictly). The submitted documents will not be returned.

- (1) Application Deadline: 4:30pm, Friday, May 30, 2025
- (2) Place: Embassy of Japan office in Ngerekebesang
- (3) Documents to be submitted: Please refer to the guidelines.

2. Placement tests and Interview

The Embassy of Japan will carry out First Screening of applicants based on submitted application documents, placement tests and interviews, following the schedule below.

(1) Application Forms Screening

- ① Notification of the outcome of the application forms screening:

The Embassy of Japan will call the successful applicants of the application forms screening by Wednesday, June 11, 2025. The successful applicants of the application forms screening will be invited to take the placement tests scheduled on the following date.

(1) Placement Tests

- ① Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2025 from 9:00am to 12:10pm
- ② Subject: English and Japanese
- ③ Placement tests' schedule:

English: 9:00am - 10:00am

Japanese: 10:10am - 12:10pm

- ③ Place: Embassy of Japan office in Ngerekebesang
- ④ Notification of the result of the placement tests:

The Embassy of Japan will call the applicants who have passed the placement tests by 4:30pm: Monday, June 30, 2025. The successful applicants of the

placement tests will be invited to the interview scheduled on the following date.

(2) Interview

- ① Date: Wednesday, July 11, 2:00pm - 5:00pm
- ② Place: Embassy of Japan office in Ngerkebesang
- ③ Notification of the results of the interview:

The Embassy of Japan will call the applicants who have passed the interview by 4:30pm on Thursday, July 17, 2025. Applicants who have passed the interview will be recommended by the Embassy to MEXT for Second Screening.

3. After First Screening

(1) The Embassy of Japan will send the following documents to the applicants who pass First Screening. (①&②: by hand delivery, ③~⑤: by Email)

- ① Passing Certificate of the Primary Selection
- ② 1 (one) set of submitted documents with Embassy's attestation
- ③ List of University
- ④ Letter of Provisional Acceptance for 2026
- ⑤ Placement Preference Form

(2) Each person who has passed First Screening is required to contact directly the Japanese university of his/her choice in order to obtain admission as a regular student for a degree or as a Research Student (non-regular student) in a graduate course, or a letter of provisional acceptance as a research student (hereinafter referred to as "Admission") by **Monday, September 1, 2025**. In order to obtain the admission, candidates can gain information regarding the contact office for international students of each university etc. from the Embassy and the following websites of universities and researchers. Candidates are not allowed to contact Japanese universities after September 2, 2025

① Researchmap

(Japanese) <http://researchmap.jp/>

(English) <http://researchmap.jp/?lang=english>

② (JST) J-GLOBAL

(Japanese) <https://jglobal.jst.go.jp/>

(English) <https://jglobal.jst.go.jp/en/>

③ JASSO: Information on Japanese schools (universities, colleges and Japanese language institutes)

(Japanese)

http://www.jasso.go.jp/ryugaku/study_j/search/daigakukensaku.html

(English) http://www.jasso.go.jp/en/study_j/search/index.html

④ Japan Study Support Information for International Students

(Japanese) <http://www.jpss.jp/ja/search/>

(English) <http://www.jpss.jp/en/search/>

⑤ Program for Leading Graduate Schools

(Japanese) <http://www.jsps.go.jp/j-hakasekatei/index.html>

(English) <http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-hakasekatei/index.html>

⑥ INTER-UNIVERSITY EXCHANGE PROJECT

(Japanese Only) <http://www.jsps.go.jp/j-tenkairyoku/kekka.html>

⑦ スーパーグローバル大学創成支援事業

(Japanese only)

http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/kaikaku/sekaitenkai/1360288.htm

*Note

a) When the applicant contacts the university/professor, the following information must be relayed:

- The fact that he/she has passed First Screening by the Embassy
- Preferred name of the graduate school, the professor and field of study
- Deadline to submit the letter of acceptance to the Embassy

b) The applicant must not delay in replying to the inquiry from universities.

c) The applicant can contact 3 universities to ask for the acceptance at the same time. In other words, he/she cannot contact more than 4 universities simultaneously.

d) It will take about 3 weeks for university to consider about the acceptance.

e) Certificate of acceptance is equal with the letter of acceptance, so the applicant can get either one.

(3) Submission of Placement Preference Form and Letter of Provisional Acceptance/Certificate of acceptance

The applicant must fill in the names of the universities in which he/she would like to enroll on the basis of his/her status of obtained Admission from the universities.

① Submission Deadline: **4:30pm, Monday, September 22, 2025**

② Place: Embassy of Japan office in Ngerekebesang

4. Notification of Second Screening

The Embassy of Japan will call the applicants who are accepted as MEXT scholarship recipients between January 2026 and March 2026.