



Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program

Graduate studies scholarships available to
developing country nationals

Next calls for applications on Jan. 18 and March 29, 2027!



The Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP) will take applications from **January 16 to February 26, 2027** ([Application Window #1](#)) and from **March 29 to May 21, 2027** ([Application Window #2](#)). The Program is open to women and men from eligible developing countries with professional experience and a history of supporting their countries' development efforts.

Applicants Must:

- Be a national of an [eligible developing country](#);
- Not hold dual citizenship of a developed country;
- Hold a bachelor's degree (or equivalent) earned at least 3 years prior to application deadline date;
- Have 3 years or more of paid professional experience in a development-related area after earning a bachelor's degree (or equivalent);
- Be admitted unconditionally (except for funding), for the upcoming academic year, to one of the [JJ/WBGSP participating master's programs](#) ;
- Not be a World Bank Group staff member (including consultants) or the relative of a WBG staff member.

Award:

Recipients will receive a full scholarship to study one of the [JJ/WBGSP participating master's programs](#)

Scholarship includes full tuition and mandatory fees, a monthly living stipend, health insurance, round-trip airfare, and travel allowance.

Upon completion of their master's program, JJ/WBGSP scholars must immediately return to their home countries to apply their new skills to their countries' social and economic development.

Application Process:

Application guidelines and eligibility criteria are available on the Program website: <https://www.worldbank.org/en/programs/scholarships/jj-wbgsp>

The link to the JJ/WBGSP application form is only communicated to candidates shortlisted by participating universities. Potential candidates are invited to reach out to the targeted university to find out if they meet this requirement.

Complete applications, including two professional recommendations, must be submitted online by **12:00pm EST February 26, 2027** ([Window#1](#)) and by **12:00pm EST on May 21, 2027** ([Window#2](#)).