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Press Release

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO:MEXT) SCHOLARSHIPS 2014
JAPANESE STUDIES & TEACHER TRAINING

The Embassy of Japan is pleased to announce that the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho:MEXT) Scholarships for Japanese Studies and Teacher Training is now open for application until **11th March 2014**. Qualified Malaysian nationals who would like to pursue their studies in Japan are invited to apply. During the term of scholarship, monthly allowances of approximately 117,000 yen (approx RM3,800) will be given to each Japanese Studies grantee, and 143,000 yen (approx RM4,600) to Teacher Training grantee (amount is subject to change). Fees for entrance examination, matriculation and tuition at universities will be exempted. A round-trip airplane ticket is also provided.

Requirements:

1. Japanese Studies (1-year non-degree course from October 2014)

- a) Applicants must be between 18 and 29 years of age as of 1st April 2014 (born between 2nd April 1984 and 1st April 1996).
- b) Applicants must be **2nd or 3rd year** undergraduate students (must not be final year students) **majoring in Japanese Language or Japanese Culture** enrolled in non-Japanese universities.
- c) Applicants must have good command of Japanese Language.
- d) Application for Japanese Studies Scholarship must reach the Embassy of Japan **by 4:00pm on 11th March 2014**. For details, please call 03-2177-2600 (ext. 157/146) or visit <http://www.my.emb-japan.go.jp/English/JIS/education/scholarship/scholarship.htm>

2. Teacher Training (1½ year non-degree course from October 2014)

- a) Applicants must be under 35 years of age as of 1st April 2014 (born on or after 2nd April 1979)
- b) Applicants must be graduates of universities or teacher training college who work as teachers in primary or secondary schools or as academic staff at TEACHER TRAINING INSTITUTIONS with **at least 5-year experience** in their terms of service.
- c) Applicants must have good command of English language and are willing to learn Japanese language.
- d) Application for Teacher Training Scholarship should be made to the Public Service Department (PSD) of Malaysia. For details, please visit <http://www.jpa.gov.my> or contact Cik Wan Izni bt Wan Hamdi (Tel: 03-8885-3420 Email: izni.hamdi@jpa.gov.my) or Pn. Nazrina bt Abdul Malik (Tel: 03-8885-3438 Email: nazrina.malik@jpa.gov.my)

The interviews for both programmes are scheduled on 1st or 2nd April 2014. The Embassy of Japan will notify qualified candidates only (by email and letter) to attend the interview.