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THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MONBUKAGAKUSHO:MEXT) SCHOLARSHIPS 2017
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 **17th February 2017**. 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 RM4,500) will be given to each Japanese Studies grantee, and 143,000 yen (approx RM5,500) 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 2017)

- a) Applicants must be between 18 and 29 years of age as of 1st April 2017 (born between 2nd April 1987 and 1st April 1999).
- 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 17th February 2017**. 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 2016)

- a) Applicants must be under 35 years of age as of 1st April 2017 (born on or after 2nd April 1982)
- 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 "Unit Pengurusan Penawaran Dalam Perkhidmatan" at 03-8885-3546 or ldp@jpa.gov.my .

The interviews for both programmes will be held on early March 2017. The Embassy of Japan will notify qualified candidates only (by email and letter) to attend the interview.