

Eligibility for JASSO Scholarship

The Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) is an independent administrative institution established under the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) that comprehensively administers scholarship loan programs, and support programs for international and general students. JASSO selects exchange programs carried out by Japanese universities every year and allocates scholarship quotas to each program. The JASSO scholarship is available for qualified international students accepted by Japanese universities under short-term student exchange agreements. Tohoku University is able to nominate qualified students to JASSO within that quota.

1. Eligibility

- (1) Students demonstrating excellent academic and personal records at their home university.
- (2) Students having a definite motivation as well as a clear study plan in any field available at their host universities and likely to benefit from studying in Japan.
- (3) Students not having sufficient financial means to study in Japan.
- (4) Students who, upon termination of the period of study in Japan, will resume or complete their studies at their home university.
- (5) Students who will not receive any kind of scholarship that exceeds 80,000 JPY per month specifically for Tohoku University's exchange programs.
- (6) Students who do not currently possess Japanese citizenship.
- (7) Students who have a minimum GPA of 2.30 as calculated using JASSO's GPA calculation method, based on a transcript from the previous academic year (see below).
- (8) Students who will receive the scholarship below are not eligible to apply for the JASSO scholarship.
 - Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarships
 - Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students

Calculating GPA

- The applicant must demonstrate excellent academic achievements at his/her home university, as well as a good character; in addition, the applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.30 as calculated using JASSO's GPA calculation method, based on a transcript from the previous academic year. If the applicant's transcript for the previous academic year is not available,

GPA shall be calculated based on his/her transcript from the previous semester. If converting grades using JASSO's calculation method is impossible, we will measure the applicant's academic performance from his/her transcript and other materials.

- Meeting JASSO's criteria alone does not guarantee the applicant will receive the scholarship. All applicants will go through an on-campus screening process.
- Use the table below to convert your grades into grade points. Then, use your grade points and the formula below to calculate your GPA.
- Round the calculated GPA off to two decimal places. For example, 2.654 would be rounded to 2.65, while 2.655 would be rounded to 2.66.

Grade Point Conversion Table:

	GRADE				
4-level Grading Scale (type 1)	—	Excellent	Good	Average	Fail
4-level Grading Scale (type 2)	—	A	B	C	F
4-level Grading Scale (type 3)	—	100-80	79-70	69-60	59 or less
5-level Grading Scale (type 1)	100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	59 or less
5-level Grading Scale (type 2)	S	A	B	C	F
5-level Grading Scale (type 3)	A	B	C	D	F
GRADE POINT (GP)	3	3	2	1	0

Grade Formula:

$$\frac{([\text{No. of GP3 Credits}] \times 3) + ([\text{No. of GP2 Credits}] \times 2) + ([\text{No. of GP1 Credits}] \times 1) + ([\text{No. of GP0 Credits}] \times 0)}{\text{Total Number of Registered Credits}}$$

*No. = Number

*GP = Grade Point

<Note> If your course does not use a credit system, replace the number of credits with the number of subjects you have taken in the Grade Formula above.

2. Scholarship Conditions

JASSO will provide the following financial assistance through the host institution in Japan:

- ▶ Scholarship (80,000 JPY per month)