

KCJS Scholarship Application

Scholarship Information:

The Kyoto Consortium for Japanese Studies (KCJS) offers a limited number of scholarships for participation in the KCJS program. The number and amount of awards vary depending on the pool of applicants. Typically, the awards range from \$500-\$5,000 per semester.

All students are encouraged to apply to additional scholarship programs such as the Bridging Scholarships for Study Abroad in Japan, Gilman Scholarship (for Pell grant recipients), the Freeman Asia Scholarship and the Boren Scholarship. Please check the section under Financial Aid Considerations on the KCJS webpage for links and more information.

Eligibility:

- Students must be admitted to the KCJS program and demonstrate financial need. Students who do not receive financial aid but can demonstrate financial need are welcome to apply. International students are welcome to apply.
- Applications must be submitted with the required materials. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application Deadlines

- For fall or academic year: March 15
- For spring: October 1

Application Instructions:

All applicants must complete the following materials to be considered for the KCJS Scholarship:

- KCJS Scholarship application (see below)
- Budget Proposal

Application materials must be submitted via electronic **or** paper copy by the official deadline. For:

Electronic submissions: Email completed application materials to ogp@columbia.edu (include "KCJS Scholarship Application Materials" in the subject field). **Given that this application is a pdf, please feel free to print out the document and write your responses on the document below. In addition, you may write up your essay on Microsoft Word and scan both the application and essay to ogp@columbia.edu.**

Paper submissions should be delivered to:

Office of Global Programs & Fellowships
606 Kent Hall
1140 Amsterdam Avenue, MC 3948
New York, NY 10027

Application Deadline: Due on the same date as the KCJS program application deadline. The 2019 fall deadline is: **March 8, 2019**. We will not accept late or incomplete applications.

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Personal Information:

I am a(n): _____ undergraduate student _____ M.A. student _____ Ph.D. student

STUDENT NAME _____

TELEPHONE EMAIL _____

HOME COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY _____

GPA (UNROUNDED) _____

By signing my name below, I hereby release my scholarship application to the KCJS Scholarship Review Committee for the purpose of this scholarship competition, whereby I understand that failure to disclose correct information may result in the cancellation of my application.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Budget Proposal:

Your budget should reflect all expenses related to and necessary for the duration of your program.

Please refer to the appropriate budget sheet on the OGP website for estimated fees:

{LINK} KCJS Budget Worksheet (under financial considerations).

Some general tips and suggestions when preparing a budget proposal:

Prepare a budget for a modest lifestyle - neither lavish nor unsafe.

- **Airfare:** Search for airfares and strike a likely average, taking into account fees for extra baggage, travel to and from the airport, and other factors that may impact ticket prices, such as peak travel times.
- **Meals, Visa Fees & Local Transportation:** Please see the budget sheet for your program on the OGP website for these estimated costs.
- **Health Costs:** Will you need to purchase health insurance to cover you during your time abroad? Accident insurance? Immunizations? Prescription drug refills? Research and include any additional medical costs associated with traveling to your proposed destination.
- **Other Miscellaneous and Personal Expenses:** Be practical about your needs. This should include items required in special circumstances or required for daily life (purchasing a cell phone, personal care, first aid supplies). Please see the KCJS Budget Worksheet (under financial considerations) for estimated costs.
- **Websites and travel guides** can be useful resources in researching cost of living expenses in your proposed destination. Oanda Currency Converter (<http://www.oanda.com/currency/converter>) and Expatistan Cost of Living Index (<http://www.expatisan.com/cost-of-living>) are good places to start.

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Budget Proposal Details: ESTIMATED EXPENSES	Amount (in U.S. dollars)
Airfare (Indicate Arrival/Departure Airports):	
Meals/Food:	
Local Transportation:	
Health Related Costs:	
Visa Fees:	
Miscellaneous/Personal Expenses:	
CU KCJS Program Tuition:	
*Other (Please itemize. DO NOT include personal/leisure travel costs which you may incur during the travel break or pre/post program):	
Total Expenses:	
Funds available from other sources, if any:	
**Personal/Family Contribution:	
TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED:	
My participation in the program is: (select one) on receiving the KCJS Scholarship: <input type="checkbox"/> not <input type="checkbox"/> partially <input type="checkbox"/> fully dependent	

* If you have financial aid or a summer earnings contribution, this may be taken into consideration.

**This scholarship requires a true and honest accounting of your personal ability to contribute to the overall cost of the program.

Other Scholarships:

Please list all other scholarships/fellowships/awards/funding opportunities you have applied to, will apply to, have received, and/or are pending decisions, in relation to your KCJS Program application. Please be sure to indicate if you've received the funding below and how much. If you have not applied to any other funding opportunities to fund this experience abroad, please leave blank.

Essay:

Summarize what you hope to gain from participating in the KCJS Program and how your participation in the program will help fulfill or complement your academic, personal and/or professional goals.