

Academic Year 2016

## Women Leaders Program to Promote Well-being in Asia

Nagoya University

The MEXT Program for Leading Graduate Schools

### Application Guidelines for International Applicants

#### **Aims of the Program**

This program has been designed to address problems that need to be solved in the Asian region, which consists of multicultural societies in various stages of development. These problems include poverty, diverse health problems, and gender gaps. With a focus on food, health, environments, social systems, and education, the program aims to foster women leaders who can work in a global context to achieve 'Well-being' in Asia.

'Well-being', as the main theme of the program, refers to a state characterized by good physical, mental, social, and economic conditions, as well as the guarantee of individual rights and personal fulfillment.

#### **Eligibility**

Japanese students (including students with regular jobs) and international students who are enrolled in a master's program in any of the following four graduate schools as of April 2016:

- Graduate School of International Development
- Graduate School of Education and Human Development
- Graduate School of Bioagricultural Sciences
- Graduate School of Medicine (including Health Sciences)

With regard to the master's program in Graduate School of Medicine, Japanese and international students who are enrolled as of April 2015 and as of October 2015 are also eligible.

This is a five-year program and only students who plan to enter a doctoral program at one of the above four graduate schools will be accepted.

International students who receive scholarships from the Japanese government, a foreign government, and/or private foundations, and students with regular jobs are eligible to apply.

#### **The Number of Students to be Admitted to the Program**

Approximately 20 students in total from the four graduate schools will be admitted. Priority is given to female students but male students with an appreciation of gender equality are welcome to apply. About 20% of the total admissions will be allocated to international students.

#### **Application Procedure**

Application should be made through an affiliated graduate school. Complete application packages should be submitted to the office of educational and student affairs ("*gakumu*" or "*kyomu-gakusei-tantou*") at each graduate school between 9:00am Friday, May 6, 2016 and 5:00pm Tuesday, May 17, 2016.

#### **Application Package**

1. Curriculum vitae (Use a designated CV format and write TOEFL and/or TOEIC scores if any. If you plan to take the TOEFL test for the program, the TOEFL iBT test is recommended.)
2. Short essay (A4 size, approx. two pages)  
Essay title: What is needed to achieve 'Well-being' in Asia.
3. A recommendation letter from the academic advisor (Use a designated form and seal it off.)

#### **Selection Procedure**

Primary selection: Screening of application documents and interviews

Secondary selection: Interviews with those who pass primary selection

Interviews are scheduled on Thursday, June 2, 2016.

## Announcement of Successful Applicants

The application numbers for successful applicants will be announced on the well-being program website. Further steps for the registration will be informed after passing the secondary selection.

## Enrollment and Tuition

There is no additional cost for participation in the program. However, admission to the program does not mean that university enrollment and tuition fees will be waived. For tuition exemption, please follow the regular procedure.

## Financial Support

### *Program Scholarship*

Each student is eligible to receive an initial stipend of 150,000 JPY / month provided by the MEXT Program for Leading Graduate Schools. Financial support for participating in various program activities, such as overseas fieldwork, overseas internships, and various English programs, will be provided as appropriate. Students will be required to take qualifying examinations to enter the doctoral programs. Stipends for doctoral students who pass the qualifying examinations will be increased to 200,000 JPY / month. If a student does not pass the qualifying examinations, his/her program scholarship may be suspended (the student may continue to participate in the program, however). An unsatisfactory attendance record and/or sub-standard academic results could lead to a student's scholarship being suspended. Students are not permitted to receive other non-refundable scholarships while concurrently receiving stipends. Furthermore, students who are currently in regular paid employment cannot receive stipends under this program. Because a program scholarship is regarded as student income, the scholarship will be subject to income tax.

This Program is funded under the MEXT Program for Leading Graduate Schools. The scholarships provided by the MEXT Program for Leading Graduate Schools will close at the end of academic year 2019.

## Additional Notes

1. No change in any application document is permitted after submission.
2. If it is discovered after submission that any document has been falsified, admission will be nullified.
3. Applicants' personal information, including names, addresses, birth dates, etc., will be confidentially used only for the purposes of screening and announcement of application results, admission procedure, and academic affairs. All personal information submitted will be properly managed and shall not be used for any other purpose.

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## Contact Information

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## Recruiting Fairs

### ***Higashiyama Campus***

Date & time: April 15 (Fri.), 12:10-12:50 (Please bring your own lunch.)

Venue: Conference Room, Noyori Conference Hall 1F

### ***Daiko Campus***

Date & time: 1st. April 12 (Tue.), 12:30-

2nd. April 14 (Thu.), 12:30-

Venue: Well-being Lecture Room, Main building 1F

### ***Tsurumai Campus***

Date, time: April 20 (wed.), 17:00-18:00

Venue: Conference Room 2, Medical Research Building 1st Floor (for M1 & M2 students)