# Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship for Short-Term Study in Japan

#### (as of February 2015)

This scholarship is available for qualified international students accepted by Japanese universities on a short-term basis under the student exchange agreement. JASSO selects exchange programs carried out by Japanese universities every year and allocates a scholarship quota to each university. Tohoku University will be able to nominate qualified students for JASSO within that quota.

#### 1. Qualifications

- (1) Students who are officially nominated by Tohoku University's partner universities.
- (2) Students demonstrating excellent academic and personal records at their home university.
- (3) Students having a definite motivation and clear study plan in any field available at Tohoku University and are likely to benefit from studying in Japan.
- (4) Students not having the financial means to study in Japan.
- (5) Students who, upon termination of the period of study in Japan, will resume or complete their studies at their home university.
- (6) Students who will not receive any kind of scholarship more than JPY80,000 per month.
- (7) Students who have not been awarded the JASSO scholarship before.
- (8) Students who are not of Japanese nationality currently.
- (9) Students who have a minimum GPA of 2.30/3.00, which is calculated using JASSO's GPA calculation method, based on a transcript from the previous academic year (see below).

## 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 2.30/3.00, which is calculated using JASSO's GPA calculation method, based on a transcript from the previous academic year. If the applicant's transcript of the previous academic year is not available, GPA will be calculated based on his/her transcript of the previous semester. In case converting grades using JASSO's calculation method is impossible, we will measure the applicant's academic excellence from their transcript and other materials.

- Meeting JASSO's criteria alone does not guarantee the acceptance to the scholarship program: all applicants 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.

- When calculating GPA, round off to two decimal places. For example, 2.654 would be rounded 2.65, while 2.655 would be rounded to 2.66.

	GRADE				
4-level rating (type 1)		Excellent	Good	Average	Fail
4-level rating (type 2)	_	А	В	С	$\mathbf{F}$
4-level rating (type 3)	_	100-80	79-70	69-60	59 or less
5-level rating (type 1)	100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	59 or less
5-level rating (type 2)	S	А	В	С	F
5-level rating (type 3)	А	В	С	D	F
GRADE POINT (GP)	3	3	2	1	0

#### Grade Point Conversion Table:

### Grade Formula:

 $([No.of GP3 Credits] \times 3) + ([No.of GP2 Credits] \times 2) + ([No.of GP1 Credits] \times 1) + ([No.of GP0 Credits] \times 0)$ 

Total Number of Registered Credits

\*No. =Number

\*GP=Grade Point

<Note>

\*If you have taken courses that are not part of the credit system, replace the number of credits in the GPA formula with the number of courses taken.

## 2. Application Documents

Students wishing to apply for this scholarship must be selected as TSSP/ TUJP 2015 candidates by their home institutions. They must submit the following forms together with the TSSP/ TUJP 2015 application materials through the representative international office at their home institution. <u>Direct applications from students to Tohoku University or to JASSO will not be accepted.</u>

► Application Form for Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship

## **<u>3. Scholarship Conditions</u>**

JASSO will provide the following financial assistance through Tohoku University:

► Scholarship (JPY80,000 per month)

\*Students participating in both TSSP and TUJP can receive the JPY80,000 scholarship for both programs (total of JPY160,000).

\*Students enrolling in TUJP for two terms will participate for more than one month, and therefore receive two months' worth of scholarship money (total of JPY160,000).

#### <u>Note</u>

As the screening process is becoming more rigorous each year, recommendation through Tohoku University for JASSO does not guarantee that candidates will be granted the scholarship.