1. Hard copy application documents must arrive at the Embassy of Japan in Canberra by 5:00pm (AEDT) on Friday 17th February 2023.

2. The application form must be typed. In order to be considered original, it must be signed by the candidate (no electronic/digital signatures).

3. The recommendation letter must be printed on your university’s letterhead and physically signed by the recommender (no electronic/digital signatures).

4. Applicants must sit a Japanese exam and must demonstrate enough proficiency in the Japanese language to pass the initial screening.

5. The examination will be held on **Wednesday 1st March 2023 (TBC)** at the Embassy of Japan in Canberra and the Consulates-General of Japan in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Brisbane. Please note that the examination may be conducted in various cities in Australia, but not overseas.

6. Please submit the Exam Locations Form to indicate where you will sit the exams if you proceed to the next stage.

7. Please include your mobile phone number in your application.

8. Copies of official documents must be certified by a Justice of Peace (JP) or a person who is authorised to certify documents in Australia before being submitted to the Embassy.

   Please refer to the past Japanese exams listed under “Research Students”.

10. A list of universities and courses which are available for this program can be found at: https://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/ryugaku/1423055_00011.htm

11. Please do not staple or put documents in folders. Documents must be printed single-sided only.

   **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**
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