# Embassy of Japan Tonga

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### **MEXT Scholarship for 2023 Teachers - Training**

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, better known as the "MEXT" of Japan, offers Scholarship to Tongan teachers who wish to conduct research on school education at designated Japanese universities as "Teachers - Training"

MEXT now accepts applications from Tongan teachers who satisfy the following qualifications and conditions. The scholarship aims to foster human resources who will become bridges of friendship between Tonga and Japan through study in Japan and who will contribute to the development of both countries and the wider world.

Applicants must return to Tonga and resume their work immediately after the end of the scholarship period.

#### **Requirements**

- (1) Academic and Career Background: Applicants must be graduates of universities or teacher training schools and have worked as teachers at primary/secondary educational institutions or teacher training schools (excluding universities) in Tonga for more than five years in total as of October 1, 2023. In-service university faculty members are not eligible.
- (2) Age: Applicants must be born on or after April 2, 1988.
- (3) Japanese Language Ability: Applicants must be keen to learn Japanese. Applicants must be interested in Japan and be keen to deepen their understanding of Japan after arriving in Japan. Applicants must also have the ability to do research and adapt to living in Japan.
- (4) Other requirements: There are some other requirements the applicants must meet. Please refer to the following website to find more information.

Study in Japan:

https://www.mext.go.jp/a\_menu/koutou/ryugaku/1423055\_00011.htm

#### **Application procedure**

Please download Application Guidelines and the required forms from the website above. Applicants must submit the required documents to the Embassy of Japan by the designated date.

\*Please note the submitted documents will not be returned.

- (1) Deadline: 4pm, Friday 24th February 2023
- (2) Place: Embassy of Japan office at the 5th floor of National Reserve Bank of Tonga Building
- (3) Documents to be submitted: Please refer to the website.
  - \* Medical Certificate is not required to submit at the point of application.

#### **Primary selection**

The Embassy of Japan will carry out the primary selection of applicants by means of an interview, a written examination, a review of the submitted documents, as schedule below;

- (1) Written examination
  - ① Date: Saturday, 4th March, 2023 from 9:00am to 12:00pm
  - 2 Subject

English: 9:00am-10:00am Japanese: 10:20am-12:00pm

- ③ Venue: Embassy of Japan Conference Room (Suite 2) at the 3rd floor of National Reserve Bank of Tonga Building
- (2) Interview
  - ① Date: Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm (\*Time is tentative)
    \*Applicants will be informed of the time details at the beginning of the written examination.
  - 2 Venue: Embassy of Japan Office at the 5th floor of National Reserve Bank of Tonga Building

For further clarification, please contact the Embassy of Japan in Nuku'alofa at 22-221. Deadline for application is 4:00pm, Friday 24th February 2023.

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