



JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program for Long Term Participants

GENERAL INFORMATION ON

**Human Resources Development on Public International Law
(JFY2022-2023)
JFY2022
[GI for Sri Lanka]**

**長期研修「国際公法分野の中核人材(2022～2023年度)」
JFY 2022
【スリランカ向け GI】**

This information pertains to one of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)'s Knowledge Co-Creation Program (Long-Term). This handout gives information on the overview of the program.

This program will be implemented as part of the Official Development Assistance of the Government of Japan based on bilateral agreement between both governments.

Each country may have its own schedule and/or qualifications for the program.

With regard to the additional information, please contact JICA overseas office in your country.

I. Overview

Globalization and rapid scientific progress have brought new challenges for the field of public international law. Looking at the field of the law of the sea for instance, although the United Nations Conventions on the Law of the Sea guide states' behaviors and policies on various maritime issues, challenges such as piracy, illegal trafficking of drugs, illegal operations, conflicts over marine resources, and preservation of the marine environment still exist.

Japan has also been working actively in order to tackle above-mentioned issues. For example, in the Indo-Pacific region, Japan has been advocating the vision "Free and Open Indo-Pacific"(FOIP), which aims to promote peace, stability, and prosperity across the region through ensuring rules-based international order including the rule of law, freedom of navigation and overflight, peaceful settlement of disputes, and promotion of free trade.

This Program provides participants with opportunities to study in Japan to gain specialized knowledge on public international law necessary for addressing public international law affairs in accordance with the rules-based international order.

II. Objectives

1. Overall Goal

To promote the target countries' capacity to contribute to the rules-based international order.

2. Program Purpose

To develop core human resources in the field of public international law in the target countries.

3. Outputs

Participants are expected:

- To complete all the requirements to obtain the set degree within the given period of time.
- To deepen specialized knowledge for the public international law.

III. Program Outline

The program for JFY 2022 consists of the acceptance of government officials in charge of public international law affairs from Cambodia, Sri Lanka, and Mozambique (one official from each country). Depending on the situation, academic researchers of universities or research institutes majoring in the field of public international law may also qualify, but preference will be given to government officials if all other factors are equal.

The participants are expected to meet all the requirements to obtain a master's degree within the given period of time. In addition, the participants are also expected to deepen specialized knowledge for the public international law. The participants are also expected to regularly report to the progress of their studies to JICA.

An applicant who is chosen as a candidate as result of the selection at JICA (see **IX (2)**) in respective target countries may select a university, to which he/she wishes to apply, from the universities listed in the **Annex 1**.

To be selected as a participant of this program, the candidate must be accepted by the Japanese university to which he/she applies.

IV. Duration

Approximately two (2) years

*Maximum two and a half years if the candidate is admitted to the university as a research student (whose term may last up to six months) initially and later as a regular student (whose term may last up to two years).

In case the candidate is admitted as a research student, he/she is requested to pass an entrance examination to become a regular student during his/her term as a research student in accordance with the regulations of the university. If he/she fails the examination, the program will be terminated and the student must immediately return to the home country.

V. Number of participants

Up to three (3) participants

Cambodia: Up to one (1) participant

Sri Lanka: Up to one (1) participant

Mozambique: Up to one (1) participant

* Each General Information will be provided separately.

VI. Language to be used in this Program

English

VII. Eligibility

Applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

(1) Essential Qualification

1. Current Duties and Expectation:

Applicants' current duties must include public international law affairs in the government or academic research in the field of public international law in a university. The participants are expected to become core human resources in the field of public international law in the target countries and help the countries promote the rules-based international order in the future.

2. Experience in the relevant field (including project participation):

More than 2 years' experience in the above-mentioned field (As of April 1st 2022)

3. Knowledge in the fields of the research:

Sufficient knowledge in the fields of the research (Public international law).

4. Nationality:

Citizens of Sri Lanka

5. Age:

Less than forty (40) years old in principle (As of April 1st 2022)

6. Educational Background:

All applicants must have a bachelor's degree or equivalent.

7. Language:

TOEFL IBT: 80

IELTS: 6.0

This program may include active participation in discussions and the submission of academic paper, which requires high competence of English ability. Please attach an official certificate for English ability such as TOEFL, IELTS, etc., if possible. Applicants who do not possess the abovementioned scores may also apply to the program.

Note: Several universities require the candidate to submit English proficiency scores or to show the level of English proficiency by other means. Please check language requirements of each university in **ANNEX1**.

8. Health:

All applicants must be in good health, both physically and mentally, to participate in the program in Japan.

9. Others:

All applicants must not receive another scholarship during the program.

(2) Recommendable Qualifications

1. Gender Consideration:

JICA is promoting gender equality. Women are encouraged to apply for the program.

Note: The selection process will not be affected by applicants' gender.

2. Career after the Participation to the Program:

Applicants who are expected to work in the same organizations for more than 3 years.

VIII. Admissions

The candidate must be accepted by a university through its regular application procedure including examinations in order to become a participant of the program.

IX. Application Guidelines

1. Required Documents for Application

(1) Application Form: The Application Form is available at the JICA office.

(2) Photocopy of passport: to be submitted with the application form, if you possess your passport which you will carry when entering Japan for this program. If not, you are requested to submit its photocopy as soon as you obtain it.

*Photocopy should include the followings:

Name, Date of birth, Nationality, Sex, Passport number and Expire date.

(3) Nominee's English Score Sheet: to be submitted with the application form, if you have any official documentation of English ability. (e.g., TOEFL, IELTS)

(4) Official academic transcripts or certified copy of the original transcripts issued by the universities: to be submitted with the application form.

(5) Health certificate (To be submitted later): If the candidate passes the university examination, health certificates with JICA format will need to be submitted. Without the certificates, admission might be rejected.

(6) Field of Study and Research Plan: To be submitted with the Application Form. Please fill in the attached form to describe your field of study and research plan (**ANNEX 2**).

2. Procedures for Application and Selection :

(1) Submission of the Application Documents to JICA:

Closing date for applications: **November 30th, 2021**

(2) Selection by JICA:

After receiving the documents for each applicant through proper channels from the government, JICA will select from the proposed applicants a candidate eligible for application to a university. Selection will be made by JICA. Qualifications of applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military will be examined by the Government of Japan on a case-by-case basis, consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan, taking into consideration their duties, positions in the organization, and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner.

(3) Pre-matching:

Before submitting the application documents to a university, the candidate must conduct pre-matching with one or several universities listed in Annex I. (The details on this procedure will be provided later to the candidate.)

(4) Admission by a university:

After the pre-matching procedure, the candidate is expected to submit necessary application documents to one of the universities with which the pre-matching result was successful. Please kindly note that JICA cannot guarantee the acceptance by the university and the university might reject the candidate. The Candidate must follow the university's application procedures.

(5) Notice of Acceptance

After confirming admission by the university, the notice of acceptance will be issued.

X. Schedule

Date	Process
By November 30th, 2021	Nomination of the proposed applicants in respective organizations
	Selection of the proposed applicants by responsible organization in each country
	“Application Documents” must be submitted to JICA office
By the end of December, 2021	Selection by JICA
	Notification of the result of selection through JICA office
By the end of January, 2022	Pre-matching
February-July (approximately), 2022(*)	Preparation for application to universities by the candidate
	University’s application procedure
After the application procedure by the university	Preparation for study in Japan if the candidate pass examination
August – October 2022	Orientation by JICA
	Arrival in Japan
	Beginning of Term

*Schedule for the application and examination depends on each university (see **ANNEX1**).

XI. Expenses To Be Borne By JICA

Under the JICA Long-term Trainee Allowance standards, JICA will cover expenses and allowance to participants accepted for the program. See the table below for further details. Note that most of the payments (e.g. for tuition, research support expenses, school support expenses) will not be paid to the training participants themselves, but directly to the university or other relevant institutions.

Expense category	Payment amount	Payment frequency
Tuition (official examination fees, entrance fees, course fees)	Actual costs	Every semester
Living Allowance	JPY 144,000 - 147,000 per month (*)	Every month via university
Airfare	Payment in kind	Upon arrival in Japan and upon returning home
Transportation between airports in Japan and JICA Center etc.	Payment in kind	Upon the arrival in Japan and upon returning home
Preparation Fee and Document Sending Fee	JPY 105,300	Once (upon arrival in Japan)
Moving Allowance	Up to JPY 164,000 – 224,000 (*)	Once (during the training period)
Research Support Expenses **	Actual costs	

	(Up to 360,000 per year)	
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* Varies according to living area, type of accommodation, etc.

**Research Support Expenses are allowed to be provided via your university and be disbursed with the approval of your supervisor.

XII. Expenses Not To Be Borne By JICA

JICA will not bear costs other than the allowances described above. JICA is not responsible for the following expenses:

- (1) Passport fees (for re-issuance and extensions, etc.)
- (2) Visa fees of a transit country and transportation expenses to obtain Visa
- (3) Transportation expenses to obtain Japanese Visa
- (4) Domestic travel expenses in the home country
- (5) Departure tax
- (6) Airport tax/airport facility charges outside of Japan, including third countries
- (7) Customs duty
- (8) Excess baggage charges
- (9) Compensation for lost and/or damaged baggage
- (10) "no show charge" to the transit airport hotel (non-refundable)
- (11) Lost - ticket fee
- (12) Accommodation fee for day-use hotel in return flight
- (13) Transportation expenses other than official programs
- (14) Telephone bill or mini-bar tab at accommodation

Note: If participant does not follow the regulation of JICA, the participant may have to bear such other cost of necessary expenses.

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Field of Study and Research Plan

Guide for Creating a Field of Study and Research Plan Sheet

- As this sheet is one of the most important references for selection, outline your field of study and specify your research theme and plan in line with the following items 1 and 2.
- If plagiarism or fraud is discovered after selection, the selection will be cancelled retroactively.
- This sheet must be typewritten or written in block letters.
- This sheet must be created WITHIN TWO PAGES. Additional materials may be attached if necessary. Both a single-side and dual-side printing will be acceptable.

1 Past and present field of study

2 Research theme and plan in Japan

- Describe articulately the research theme and plan you wish to carry out in Japan.
- Specify particularly the ultimate goal(s) of your research in Japan.

(1) Research theme

(2) Research plan



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For enquiries and further information, please contact the JICA office.