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The Japan Foundation, established in 1972, is Japan's only institution dedicated to carrying out comprehensive international cultural exchange programs throughout the world. The mission of the Japan Foundation is to promote international cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and other countries.

The Japan Foundation activities, aiming comprehensive and effective development of its international cultural exchange programs, consist of following three major categories:

Arts & Cultural Exchange Japanese Studies and Intellectual Exchange Japanese-Language Education Overseas

The Foundation maintains its headquarters in Tokyo and operates through a network of 24 overseas offices in 23 countries worldwide. The Japan Foundation is represented by two offices in the United States—one in New York and the other in Los Angeles.

ARTS & CULTURAL EXCHANGE

The Japan Foundation is a vital contributor to world culture and the arts. We provide funding and exchange opportunities for individuals and institutions across the spectrum of artistic and cultural disciplines, by supporting and initiating cross-cultural programs and events including exhibitions, film screening, and festivals. The Japan Foundation carries out arts and cultural exchange programs to enhance mutual understanding between Japan and the United States.



Performing Arts JAPAN (PAJ)

This program is designed to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations in the United States and Canada with an aim to introduce Japanese performing arts to local audiences. The Touring Grant supports the presentation of Japanese performing arts at multiple locations in the United States and/or Canada. The Collaboration Grant facilitates the collaborations between Japanese and American and/or Canadian artists to create new works which enhance the appreciation of Japanese culture when presented to American and/or Canadian audiences.

Exhibitions Abroad Support Program

This program is designed to support museums and art institutions in the United States organizing exhibitions introducing Japanese art and culture. International exhibitions, such as biennials/triennials, introducing Japanese artists and their works are also eligible.

Support Program for Translation and Publication on Japan

This program provides support for foreign publishers to translate and/ or publish Japanese works to promote Japanese Studies and a better understanding of Japanese culture. The program encourages publishers in the United States to publish Japan-related books that are difficult to publish commercially.

JFNY Grant Program — Arts and Culture

This grant aims to support projects that will promote further understanding of Japanese arts and culture such as performances, exhibitions, film screenings, and workshops.

Exhibition of World Heritage Sites in Japan (photography)

This program lends photo panels of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Japan to cultural and educational institutions throughout the United States, to introduce the breadth of the great cultural heritage sites in Japan.

Samurai Warrior Helmet and Armor

Two sets of samurai armor (replicas) are available for loan and use at Japanese cultural events. They can be worn.

For further information, please visit www.jfny.org/arts_and_culture/arts_and_culture.php

Photo: Shank's Mare, Yara Arts Group (Recipient of the 2015-16 Performing Arts JAPAN Collaboration Grant and the 2016-17 the Performing Arts JAPAN Touring Grant) © Ayumi Sakamoto

JAPANESE STUDIES

To deepen the understanding of Japan and to promote Japanese Studies in the United States, the Japan Foundation supports institutions, researchers, and undergraduate and graduate students through several institutional grant programs and fellowship opportunities.



Institutional Project Support (IPS) Program

This program is designed to encourage innovative and sustained growth of Japanese Studies in the United States. Applicants should formulate convincing proposals that enhance the teaching of Japan, the quality of research on Japan, the quality of equipment and materials (including libraries), and provide opportunities for students and faculty to travel to Japan.

Institutional Project Support (IPS) — Small Grant Program

This program is designed to:

(i) Support institutions that face difficulties maintaining current levels of infrastructure due to cuts in funding for Japanese Studies in the United States.

(ii) Stimulate interest in Japanese Studies by research institutions without an established program of Japanese Studies or those that lack personnel or resources.

(iii) Provide support for particularly innovative programs that promote Japanese Studies.

JFNY Grant — Japanese Studies

This grant aims to support projects that will promote further understanding of Japan through academic exploration. Such projects generally take the form of conferences, colloquia, symposia, presentations, and lectures within the United States.

Japanese Studies Fellowship Programs

This program is designed to provide scholars, researchers, and professionals in the humanities and social sciences with the opportunity to conduct research in Japan. There are three categories: Research Fellowship (Long-Term), Research Fellowship (Short-Term), and Doctoral Fellowship

For further information, please visit our website at www.jfny.org/japanese_studies/japanese_studies.php.

JAPANESE LANGUAGE EDUCATION

To cultivate an appreciation for and understanding of Japan and its people, the Japan Foundation supports Japanese-language education around the world. Programs have been developed to support teachers, students, and educational organizations in the United States.



JF Japanese Language Course

The Japan Foundation, New York, in cooperation with The Nippon Club, offers an original Japanese language and culture course based on the curriculum developed by the Japan Foundation. The JF Japanese Language Course is designed to enhance competence in accomplishing tasks and intercultural understanding. Using materials from Japanese daily life, the course exposes learners to Japanese culture through its language.

Regular courses are offered in the fall, winter, and spring with special programs offered in the summer. All classes are held at The Nippon Club, conveniently located in Midtown Manhattan.

For further information on our courses, please visit our website at www.jfny.org/language/overview.html.

Events

Throughout the year, JF Japanese Language Course organizes various events, lectures and workshops to expand your knowledge of Japanese language and culture. Many of them are open to all levels.

Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT)

The Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) is designed to evaluate and certify the Japanese-Language proficiency of non-native speakers of Japanese. It is the largest Japanese-language test in the world. For further information on JLPT, please visit website at www.jlpt.jp

Japanese Language Education Assistants Program (J-LEAP)

This program brings native Japanese language assistant teachers to K-12 educational institutions in the United States. The goal of this program is to strengthen Japanese language programs by providing a native speaking assistant teacher to team-teach with the lead teacher in their classes.

Grant Programs

The Japan Foundation, Los Angeles provides several types of grant programs to promote Japanese-language education in the United States. For further information on the grant programs, please visit website at www.jflalc.org/grants-jle.html.

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INTELLECTUAL EXCHANGE

CGP's Intellectual Exchange Program provides opportunities for a broad spectrum of individuals and institutions from Japan and the United States to collaborate and build partnerships for a more peaceful and equitable global order.



Regular Grant Intellectual Exchange Program

This program supports U.S.-Japan collaborative projects conducted by universities, think-tanks, and other nonprofit organizations. Projects foster dialogue and promote partnerships between the two countries through the exploration of policy-oriented issues. Priority is given to projects with tangible outcomes, and effective dissemination plans that have broad policy impact.

Discretionary Grants Programs

This program supports policy-oriented projects conducted by U.S. institutions including universities, think tanks, and nonprofit organizations. Projects explore contemporary issues of global concern and issues common to the U.S. and Japan.

Abe Fellowship Program

This fellowship program encourages international multidisciplinary research on topics of pressing global concern. The program fosters the development of a new generation of researchers interested in policy-relevant topics of long-range importance. This program is administered by the Social Science Research Council.

Abe Fellowship for Journalists Program

This fellowship program encourages in-depth coverage of topics of pressing concern to the U.S. and Japan through individual short-term policy-related projects. This program is administered by the Social Science Research Council.

U.S.-Japan Network for the Future

This two-year program builds and enhances the network of U.S.-based Japan specialists, with the goal of bringing diverse expertise and perspectives to the bilateral policy-making process in the mid- and long-term. This is a joint program with the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation.

Japanese American Leadership Symposium

This annual public symposium in Japan features Japanese-American leaders on the Japanese American Leadership Delegation Program; it strengthens ties and advances the U.S.-Japan relationship. This symposium is co-organized with the U.S.-Japan Council.

U.S.-Japan Public Intellectuals Network Program

This program invites leaders from the U.S. to Japan to create a network of public intellectuals spanning the two countries. Invited leaders engage in dialogue with Japanese researchers, policy practitioners and civil society leaders.

For further information, please visit our website at www.cgp.org.

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GRASSROOTS EXCHANGE &EDUCATION

CGP's Grassroots Exchange and Education Program aims to support projects that promote the understanding of Japan, strengthen networks and mutual understanding among the civil societies of Japan and the United States, and nurture the next generation who will lead the U.S.-Japan partnership.



Regular Grant Grassroots Program

This program seeks to promote an understanding of Japan by supporting organizations in the U.S. such as universities, museums and Japanese gardens, and nonprofits, of which their activities are related to Japan through exchange, networking, capacity building, program developments, etc.

Discretionary Grant

This program aims to create and strengthen networks between nonprofit organizations and citizens groups in the U.S. and Japan around common social issues.

Education Grant

This program seeks to increase awareness and understanding of Japan in the U.S. through the support of teacher training, curriculum development and community outreach efforts addressing the needs of K-12 students, teachers and the larger community.

Japan American Society (JAS) Initiative

This program aims to support the networking and capacity-building of the Japan-America Societies (JAS) across the U.S. in order to encourage their sustained growth and innovation.

Japan Outreach Initiative (JOI)

This program, which is jointly administered by CGP and Laurasian Institution, aims to promote awareness and understanding of Japan by dispatching Japanese coordinators to regions in the U.S. that have few Japan-related activities. The coordinators will volunteer for 2 years to provide community outreach activities about Japan and to foster exchange.

For further information, please visit our website at cqp.org.



The Center for Global Partnership (CGP) was established within the Japan Foundation in April 1991 with offices in both Tokyo and New York. CGP is dedicated to strengthening the global U.S.-Japan partnership and cultivating the next generation of public intellectuals necessary to sustain this partnership.

MISSION

- To promote collaboration between Japan and the United States with the goal of fulfilling shared global responsibilities and contributing to improvements in the world's welfare.
- To enhance dialogue and interchange between Japanese and U.S. citizens on a wide range of issues thereby improving bilateral relations.

To carry out its mission, CGP supports an array of institutions and individuals, including nonprofit organizations, universities, policymakers, scholars and educators, through grant programs, fellowships as well as self-initiated projects. CGP's activities fall into the two following categories: policy-oriented Intellectual Exchange, and community-based Grassroots Exchange & Education.

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