

Application Information for the Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) (AY2023)

I. PURPOSE

Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) has been established at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University thanks to the kindness of The Tokyo Foundation for Policy Research's The Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff). This scholarship aims to cultivate future leaders who will be active both domestically and internationally by providing a scholarship to postgraduate students in APU whose research fits with the basic principle of "Issues and Opportunities Facing the Asia-Pacific Region: Rapid Transformation amid Accelerating Globalization," and is related to the Sylff policy of taking a cross-disciplinary approach to tackle global issues and overcoming differences of nationality, language, religion and political systems.

<APU requires Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) scholars to possess the following leadership qualities.>

A person who holds the principles of freedom, peace, and humanity; who links the Asia-Pacific region and the world to address global social issues; and who will change the world with inclusive and sustainable solutions.

II. OVERVIEW

1. Scholarship amount: ¥1,500,000/ annually*

* Payment: ¥187,500/ month from August 2023 to March 2024.

* Cancelled if the candidate takes a leave of absence or loses their registration at APU (withdrawal, expulsion, etc.)

2. Number of awardees: Two (one from each of the two graduate schools)

III. Application Eligibility

Applicants must meet all of the following conditions to be eligible for this scholarship.

1. APU Graduate School students in the following semester as of AY2023 Spring Semester:
 - Master's Program students: 2nd or 3rd semester (Excluding IMAT Program students)
 - Doctoral Degree Program students: 2nd to 5th semester
2. Students who have cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above as of AY2023 Spring Semester.
3. Students who clearly have demonstrated and will continue to:
 - ① Take a cross-disciplinary approach to tackle global issues and the overcoming differences of nationality, language, religion and political systems.
 - ② Propose research content that is consistent with the basic theme of "Issues and Opportunities Facing the Asia-Pacific Region: Rapid Transformation amid Accelerating Globalization".
 - ③ Conduct research that is for the benefit of the general public and contributes to social development, freedom, peace, humanism and international mutual understanding.
 - ④ Have a strong sense of initiative towards their chosen issue or problem, and have the determination and potential to take a leading role on the domestic and/or international stage.
4. Students who have not been receiving or have not been recommended for any external scholarships*
 - * APU funded scholarships such as the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship are not classified as external scholarships.
 - * You are not eligible to receive other external scholarships for AY2023 if selected for this scholarship.
5. Students who have undergone a periodic health check-up arranged by APU.
6. Students who have been subject to disciplinary action in the past or are otherwise not suitable are not eligible.

IV. About The Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) Program

Please visit websites for more information about the scholarship.

- Sylff official website <https://www.sylff.org/about/#ancNav-anc02>
- APU Student Office website <https://en.apu.ac.jp/studentsupport/page/content0359.html/>

V. SCREENING SCHEDULE

1. First Screening

【Required Documents】 Application Form (Online Survey), Application Essay (Attached Word document)

【Deadline】 June 26, 2023. 1:00 p.m. (Afternoon/JST)

【Submit to】 Submit via survey

(<https://cw.apu.ac.jp/campusweb/SVA40D0.html?key=LNG20230523151031285805016>)

2. Second Screening (APU Interview: Online / In person)

【Date and Time】 Sometimes between July 13 (Thur.) to July 19 (Wed.), 2023 *Details will be provided at a later date.

3. Announcement of awardees

Friday, July 28, 2023 (via personal message over Campus Terminal)

NOTE: Cases involving false applications or other cases not suitable for receipt of the award will result in the application being revoked.

V. Responsibilities of Scholarship Recipients

- (1) React promptly when you receive a message regarding the scholarship.
- (2) Meet the requirement of Fellow Development Programs such as attending orientation for new fellows, submitting quarterly reports, giving research presentations, etc.
- (3) Pursue academic opportunities related to your research such as presentations, publications, etc.

VI. CONTACT INFORMATION

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