

3 (2) Japanese language Program for Teachers of the Japanese-Language

Section in Charge: **Teachers Training Section, the Japan Foundation Japanese-Language Institute, Urawa** Application Form: **NC-JT**

This program is a six weeks program designed to provide an opportunity to improve their Japanese language skill which is necessary as teachers of Japanese language and deepen their knowledge of Japanese society and culture.

Eligibility

Overseas educational organizations that provide Japanese language education.

Qualified Areas: Worldwide

The following individuals are eligible to participate in the program:

(* The eligibility (1) and (2) differs for the individuals who meet the "Special condition for Teachers of the Japanese-Language for Japanese descendants". Please see p. 17)

(1) Nationality: Individuals who are nationals of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan;

* Taiwanese are eligible to apply for this program

(2) Individuals who have not completed their compulsory education [nine years of elementary and junior high school] in Japan;

(3) Teaching experience: Individuals with more than six months of experience in teaching the Japanese language as of December 1, 2018 (teaching practice and private lessons not included);

(4) Age: Individuals who are 55 years old or under as of December 1, 2018;

(5) Japanese proficiency: Individuals who have a proficiency in Japanese as either of the following at the time of application;

a. Level N4 or N5 in the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT), Level 3 or 4 of the old JLPT, or their equivalent

b. Level A2 in the JF Standard for Japanese-Language Education (JFS), or the equivalent

* Those who have an ability of Japanese language more than the level of [a.] or [b.] are not expected for this program.

(6) The participation of training programs in Japan: Individuals who have not participated in a Japanese language teacher training program conducted by the Japan Foundation or any other academic institutions in Japan for more than one month during the period from April 2013 to December 1, 2018.

Duration

May 14, 2019 - June 27, 2019 (tentative)

Description of the Program

(1) Japanese Language

Participants improve their proficiency using the Japanese language through several language activities. Participants will do activities of "Speaking", "Listening", "Reading" and "Writing" concerning subjects such as "Eating habit", "Shopping", "Travel and Traffic". Also, participants will organize knowledge about Japanese language such as vocabulary and grammar.

(2) Japanese Culture/ Japanese Society

Participants will learn and experience Japanese culture and society that could be introduced to their Japanese language classes by several ways such as lectures and workshops.

In addition, field trip, visits to local schools and cultural demonstration such as tea ceremony are planned.

Selection Policy

(1) See p. 3 for the selection policy common to all programs.

(2) Screening will be made in line with the following criteria: need for Japanese language teaching programs in candidate's region/country, application from JF Nihongo Network (Sakura Network), candidate's Japanese language proficiency, teaching experience, teaching position (full-time or part-time) and influence in and out of the institution, etc.

For JF Nihongo Network (Sakura Network), please visit the following website.

<https://www.jpf.go.jp/e/project/japanese/education/network/>

Application Deadline

December 3, 2018

Results Notification

March 2019