

# JSUM Fellowships Call for Applicants/Applications for 2020 The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine

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The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine invites candidates to apply for the JSUM Fellowship for the year 2020, as explained in the enclosed *Guidelines for the JSUM Fellowship*. The Guidelines are also available at the JSUM website: <http://www.jsum.or.jp/english/index.html>.

The period of research or training in Japan will be from April 2020 through March 2021.

Individual members of each affiliated society of AFSUMB are requested to submit applications to JSUM no later than June 1, 2019. Applications should be accompanied by (1) a completed Application Form, (2) a photocopy of passport showing photograph and identification information, (3) a written pledge from the candidate, (4) evidence of being a member of each affiliated society of AFSUMB (or verification/recommendation letter from secretary/president of each AFSUMB affiliated society), (5) recommendation letter from the superadvisor of same institution, (6) certificate of TOEFL/TOEIC score, and (7) a Letter of Provisional Acceptance by a Japanese supervisor stating that the applicant will be accepted by the supervisor's institution if a fellowship is offered. Each applicant need to choose a Japanese supervisor on your own preference on [the JSUM website: http://www.jsum.or.jp/english/index.html](http://www.jsum.or.jp/english/index.html).

Applicants must be 40 years of age or under as of April 1st of 2020.

We decided to request a letter of recommendation by the president of the affiliated society of AFSUMB in the country of the trainee to the application documents. So please do not forget to enclose it in the application documents.

In addition, in order to know the motive of the application and ability of English of the trainee, we ask him/her to talk with the supervisor directly by telephone or skype before the decision of the acceptance is made.

The number of candidates from each society is not limited.

Please note that applications arriving after the deadline cannot be accepted.

We will mail the names of selected Fellowship recipients to the secretary of each society by the end of December 2019.

For inquiries or more detailed information, please contact Dr. Masatoshi Kudo, Chief of the International Exchange Committee, JSUM, at the above address.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,



Masatoshi Kudo, MD, PhD  
President of JSUM

## Guidelines for the JSUM Fellowship The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine

### 1. Objectives

The JSUM Fellowship was established to promote the training of Asian specialists in medical ultrasound at academic and medical institutions in Japan and in the use of medical ultrasound in medical research. Candidates must be members of societies affiliated with AFSUMB, be nominated by their respective societies, and be willing to contribute to the dissemination and improvement of medical ultrasound in Asia, thereby encouraging mutual understanding and scientific cooperation.

### 2. Administration of the Fellowship

The Fellowship will be administered in accordance with the rules accepted at the meeting of the JSUM Administrative Council. They are as follows:

#### (1) Responsibilities of JSUM

JSUM will be responsible for the following aspects of research or training of Fellows in Japan:

- Selection of recipients.
- Guarantee of recipients' immigration status during their stay in Japan.
- Donation of a grant for the Fellowship.
- Certification of completion of research or training after the submission of a related report by the recipient.

#### (2) Responsibilities of Affiliated Societies

Affiliated societies nominating recipients will be responsible for the following:

- Guarantee of immigration status of recipients.
- Advise applicants to submit application forms to the JSUM office in Japan before the prescribed deadline and ensure that the following items and information are included: (1) full name of candidate, (2) age, (3) career, (4) current position and specialty, (5) ability of Japanese and/or English language, (6) name of Japanese supervisor issuing letter of confirmation, (7) term of research or training (inception through completion), (8) itinerary after completion of research or training, (9) comments, if any, (10) portrait photograph of candidate, (11) list of publications and other relevant items, (12) a written pledge, (13) evidence of being a member or recommendation/verification by the president or secretary, and (14) recommendation letter from the superadvisor of same institution.

### 3. Institutional Providers of Research Opportunities or Training

National, public, or private institutions in Japan, including universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, to be eligible to accept the candidates, must have a Senior Fellow (SJSUM), a Fellow (FJSUM), or an Engineering Fellow of JSUM (EJSUM) on their staff to train the Fellowship recipients.

### 4. Term and Period of Research or Training

- (1) The term for research or training shall, in principle, be 6 months. However, training must be completed by the end of March, the end of the fiscal year.
- (2) The term and period of research or training shall, in principle, not be changed. However, the international exchange committee can decide the termination of training before 6 months when supervisor evaluates trainee is not adequate in learning behavior.

### 5. Field of Research or Training

- (1) Research and training shall be limited to the field of medical ultrasound.
- (2) Foreign medical doctors can perform medical practice (Advanced Clinical Training) in Japan if applicants submit the necessary

documents to the Japanese government (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare) according to the Japanese Law concerning the Exceptional Cases of the Medical practitioner's Act, Article 17.

### 6. Number of Recipients

Up to three recipients will be accepted during any calendar year.

### 7. Requirements for Recipients

- (1) Age: Not more than 40 years as of April 1st of the training year.
- (2) Career: Recipients must be specialists who have sufficient training and experience in medical ultrasound and who have graduated from a university, college, institution of an equivalent level.
- (3) Language: Recipients must speak Japanese or English well enough to complete their research or training.
- (4) Evidence of being a member of each affiliated society of AFSUMB (or verification/recommendation letter from secretary/President of each AFSUMB affiliated society).
- (5) Recommendation letter from the superadvisor of same institution.
- (6) Certificate of Acceptance: Candidates must obtain a letter confirming provisional acceptance. This letter must be issued by the Japanese supervisor in charge of the accepting institutional department and, further, must submit one copy of this certificate with their original application for a Fellowship. (The Japanese supervisor's name is available at <http://www.jsum.or.jp>)

### 8. Duties of Recipients

- (1) Recipients must obey Japanese laws during the period of their research or training. They are also expected to cooperate with their instructors and related personnel, and should make every effort to achieve the objectives of the Fellowship.
- (2) At their earliest convenience upon completion of the period of their research or training, recipients should submit a report concerning their research or training achievements to the Journal of Medical Ultrasonics, the official journal of JSUM.
- (3) Recipients are obligated to leave Japan to return to their home country immediately upon completion of their research or training, where they should endeavor to contribute to the general improvement of medical ultrasound.

### 9. Grant

JSUM will grant the sum of ¥1,200,000 (¥200,000 per month) to each recipient to help cover the cost of lodging and transportation in Japan. Any additional expenses must be borne by the recipient.

### 10. Societies in Charge of Reception and Administration

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In the recipient's home country: The respective Affiliated Society. JSUM and the Affiliated Society shall each appoint one individual to oversee the Fellowship, and see that the training or research proceeds smoothly and in a responsible manner. The responsible party in Japan will be a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of JSUM.

### 11. Addendum

Any problem or issue not covered in these Guidelines shall be resolved by amicable and mutual discussion between both parties.

Please refer to [the JSUM website: http://www.jsum.or.jp/jsum-e/](http://www.jsum.or.jp/jsum-e/) for more details and an application form.