

Hawaii United Okinawa Association

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TO: Okinawa Prefectural- Foundation Scholarship Applicant
FROM: Chikako Nago, Scholarship Committee
RE: Application

Thank you for your interest in the Okinawa Prefectural Government-Foundation Scholarship. Attached for your review and completion are the forms are required to begin the application process.

Attached are: General Information Sheet
Preliminary Application Form (pages 4-6)

For consideration for this scholarship applicant must:

1. Submit completed Preliminary application form to the:
Hawaii United Okinawa Association
94-587 Ukee Street
Waipahu, Hawaii 96797
2. Submit official transcripts from the last school or institution attended.
3. Meet all eligibility requirements set forth by Okinawa International Exchange and Human Resources Development Foundation.

DEADLINE FOR DOCUMENTS: September 19, 2009

As the recommending agent, the Hawaii Okinawa Association emphasizes the following:

- Recipients shall return home after the term of the scholarship is over.
- Recipients will actively participate in HUOA functions in order to fulfill the purposes of this scholarship.

I look forward to receiving your application, please contact the HUOA Office at 676-5400 or contact me at 371-2570 should you have any questions. If you wish to email your application, send to: huoa@huoa.org.

Okinawa Prefecture Emigrant Descent Student Program Requirements

Set forth by the Okinawa International Exchange & Human Resources Development Foundation

Objective

This student program is designated to provide superior students of Okinawan descent a scholarship to study at accredited institutions (universities) in Okinawa Prefecture. Through this program, students will enhance their understanding of Japanese culture, industry, education and society and will have opportunities to interact with local Okinawans. The program is geared to produce human resources who will contribute extensively to their home countries and act as an intermediary for Okinawa and their home country.

Host Institution

Students will enroll as auditors or research students at nationally-ranked, University of the Ryukyus, Meio University or Okinawa Prefectural University of Arts.

Duration of Study

Scholarship students for the year 2009 will study or research at host institution for a one year period, April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010.

Scholarship - Expenses

Okinawa International Exchange & Human Resources Development Foundation will cover the following student expenses for their studies at host institutions in Okinawa.

Classification	Expense	Specification
Travel (International)	Actual expenses Incurred	Includes international airfare to/from home country and Naha airports, and transportation fees between airports in Japan.
Enrollment	Actual expenses Incurred	Includes fees for application, examination, entrance, and tuition.
Room & Board	96,000 yen/month	Students are required to live at university dorms.
	135,500 yen/month	For universities without dorms.
Health & Welfare	51,000 yen	Health and accident insurance during duration of study
Miscellaneous		Other expenses approved by OIHF Director General

* Please note that above expenses is subject to change. Students are responsible for expenses for passports, visas, airport taxes and others not listed above. Room & Board expenses for April (first month) will be calculated on a daily basis from your first day of arrival.

Scholarship - Cancellation of Scholarship

If a student takes a leave of absence, is suspended or leaves school for personal reasons or breaking oath during his/her duration of study in Okinawa, the scholarship may be revoked entirely or partially.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

1. Be of Okinawan descent and recommended by the Kenjinkai president. Applicants must have a sound mind and body and be recognized as a person capable of playing a leading role at work or in communities.
2. Have completed twelve years of education in his/her home country or hold higher academic knowledge and meet the requirements of host institutions.
3. Be born after April 2, 1979 (under 30 years old).
4. Possess Japanese language skills sufficient enough to study at host institutions.
(holder of the 3rd grade Japanese language proficiency)
5. Hold a Japanese Language Proficiency First Level qualification (for research student candidates only).
6. Have financial support to cover any expenses that exceed the scholarship provided by OIHF.
7. Have relatives in Okinawa who can assist him/her during his/her stay and act as guardian.

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NAME	DATE
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Applicant's Name	(Japanese Kanji)	(Block Letters)	Age
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Birth Date and Place of Birth	Citizenship
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Present Address	Sex	M	F
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Home Phone No.	Mobile Phone No.
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Email Address	Name of HUOA Club
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Ancestral Village in Okinawa	Name of Parents	Father	Mother
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Acquaintance in Okinawa	Name	Address
	Occupation	Phone No.

Immediate Family	Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Remarks

EDUCATION
(list school names)

Date (yy/mm)	Name of Institution
	Entered/Elementary School
	Graduated/Elementary School
	Entered/Middle School
	Graduated/Middle School
	Entered/High School
	Graduated/High School
	Entered/School
	Graduated/School

WORK EXPERIENCE
(employer's name & job description)

(yy/mm)	
(yy/mm)	
(yy/mm)	

AWARD
(title of award & description)

(yy/mm)	
(yy/mm)	
(yy/mm)	

Goals for study abroad	Please write Essay in English or Japanese and attach to the application.		
Plans after return home	Please write Essay in English or Japanese and attach to the application.		
Specialization			
Major/Field you wish to study in Okinawa			
Japanese proficiency	Score of Japanese proficiency test		Date and place of test
	Last Japanese course you took		
	Date and name of school of institution		
Experience in foreign countries	Countries you lived or visited		
	Date and Duration		
Skills and licenses			
Hobbies			

I CERTIFY THAT ALL THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

DATE: _____

本人署名 _____
(Applicant signature)