

The Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation

Introduction to our work and support



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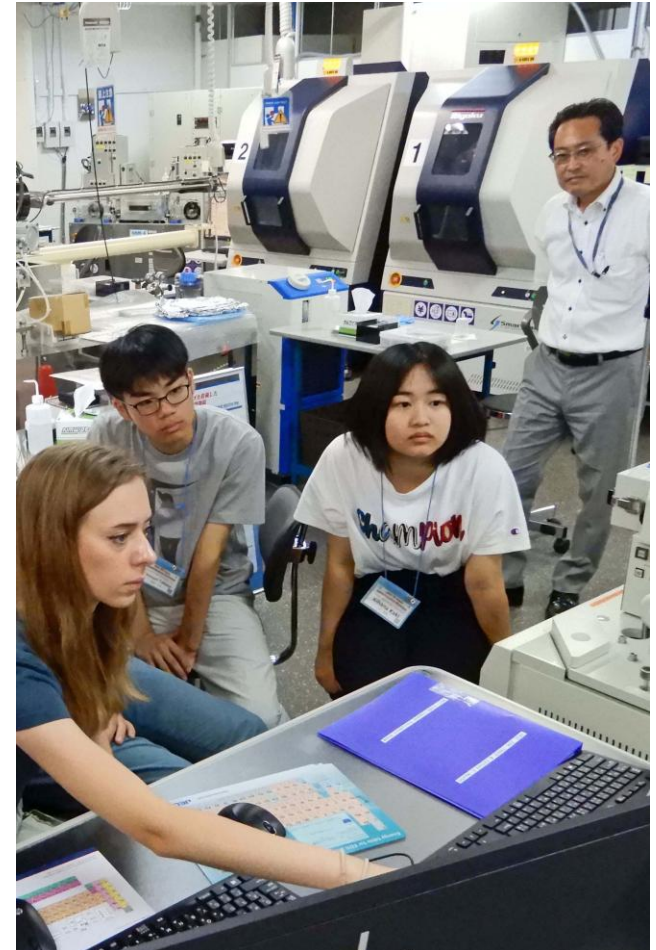
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Foundation overview

- We are forty!
- Promote UK-Japan exchange and understanding
- Independent, non-governmental charity with offices in London and Tokyo.

Our support

- Core grants programme
- Medicine & health grants
- Studentships
- AMR research



2024 at a glance

- Grants: 225 grants awarded
- Grants: over £1m
- Japan office: 30 awards total £107k
- Butterfield Awards: 8 awards, £111k
- Studentships: 30 (£15k, per year)

And also

- Anti-microbial research programme
- School tour to Japan (JEST)
- Translation prize



Our general grants

Very broad remit: culture, society, Japanese, health, science, sport, youth & education



Seed funding

To fund activity

£2-2.5k for travel

Exchange visits, new projects, continuing collaborations



Core funding

Consumables, salaries, fees, materials

No maximum or minimum

www.gbsf.org.uk/grants/overview/



PhD travel grants

Part of our regular awards programme

- Supports PhD travel to Japan for **research or fieldwork**
- Conference participation in Japan considered if **networking is included**
- Applications must include a **supervisor's supporting letter**
- Standard grant: **£2,000** (or **£2,500** for stays of 2+ weeks)
- Up to **£5,000** for longer-term fieldwork (6+ months)



Butterfield Awards

High-level collaboration in medicine & health

- Exchange visits, workshops, conferences and publications covered
- Typically £10k, up to three years
- Early career applicants welcomed
- Must be supported by referees

15 Dec deadline / March decision

<https://www.gbsf.org.uk/grants/butterfield-awards-in-medicine-and-health/>



Postgraduate Studentships

- About to enter its 13th year
- Funded by The Nippon Foundation
- Up to 30 postgraduate studentships each year, £15,000 each
- For Japanese Studies at UK universities
- Nominations are made by institutions via our *tantosh*a network
- Active community – biennial Studentship Day and alumni network



To bear in mind

- **General grants / Butterfield Awards / studentships**
- Check eligibility and fit with fields and current priorities via our website
- Prepare a clear UK–Japan link, budget and evidence of additional funding
- Applications via our website

UK awards made three times a year

Application	Decision
15 December	March next year
31 March	May
15 September	November

Japan awards made twice a year

Application	Decision
28 February	April
30 September	October