

# **Preparing for Your Research Trip**

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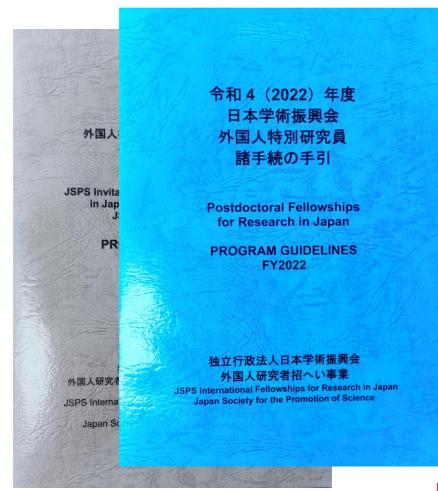
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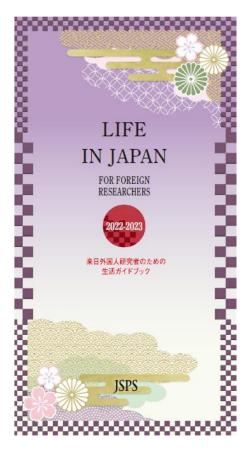


## Have you read?

#### **Programme Guidelines**



#### "Life in Japan"



https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-plaza/51\_lifeInJapan.html



### **Preparation: VISA**

### - UK passport holders can stay in Japan up to 90 days

		Summer Program	Postdoc Fellowship (Short-term)	Postdoc Fellowship (Standard)	Invitation Fellowship (Short-term)	Invitation Fellowship (Long-term)
	Application	Not required	90 days or less: Not required	Required	Not required	90 days or less: Not required
			91 days or more: Required			91 days or more: Required
	Status	-	"Researcher" "Professor"	"Researcher" "Professor"	-	"Cultural activities" "Researcher" "Professor"

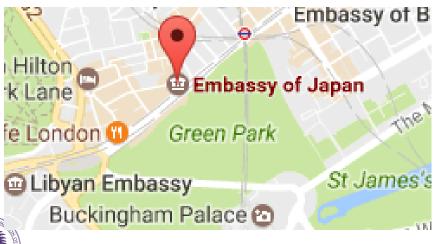
## Applying for a visa is your personal responsibility!



# VISA: Embassy of Japan in the UK

## Visa Section at Embassy of Japan in the UK, London





# Tel: 020 7465 6565

http://www.uk.emb-japan.go.jp/

# near Green Park underground station

#### Note:

For applicants in Scotland and the part of North of England, please contact the Consulate-General of Japan in Edinburgh



**Preparation: before departure** 

- You are required to provide either a valid COVID-19 vaccination certificate of three doses of vaccines or to take an approved COVID-19 test within 72 hours before your flight
- Complete information on the website, including signing a written pledge



✓ please refer to the GOV.UK website

https://www.gov.uk/foreign-traveladvice/japan/entry-requirements



All border measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 will be lifted on May 8, 2023.



# **Useful links**

Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare: https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/covid-19/bordercontrol.html **Fast Track Immigration Procedures:** https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/en/#news **Emergency Use List of the World Health Organisation (WHO):** https://extranet.who.int/pqweb/vaccines/vaccinescovid-19vaccine-eul-issued **UK Covid Pass:** https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-covid-pass **Embassy of Japan in the UK:** https://www.uk.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\_en/index\_000025.html **Consulate General of Japan in Edinburgh:** https://www.edinburgh.uk.embjapan.go.jp/itpr ja/00 000205.html



### **Residents Card**

## Residency management system (from 9 July 2012) - Fellows who will stay in Japan for 3 months or longer



- A resident card will be issued at the airport.
- You must take the card to a municipal office and notify it of your address within 14 days of the residency being determined.

## Immigration Bureau of Japan http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/newimmiact\_1/en/



### **National Pension**

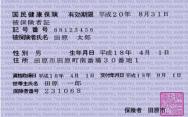
- Not required to enroll in the Japanese National Pension System if your stay in Japan is less than 5 years.
- Fellows from the UK should continue their enrollment in the UK Pension System.



HM Revenue & Customs http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/nic/japan.htm



- Fellows who will stay in Japan for 3 months or longer are obliged to join the national health insurance program.
- The insurance covers 70% of all medical expenses. You have to pay the rest, but it will be covered by another private insurance provided by JSPS from NipponKoa.
- Application for enrollment in the program is made at your local municipal office.
- Allowances of JSPS fellowship ≠ Salary



National Health Insurance Card



# **Medication**

### **Common medicines:**

You must not have medicine containing <u>pseudoephedrine or codeine</u>. (For example, Vicks inhalers, Sudafed and Beechams)

### Prescription medicines:

You are normally allowed to bring in <u>up to one month's</u> supply. NHS : https://www.nhs.uk/

### NaTHNaC: https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/

If you need prescription medicine for long-term use, please check Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare website.

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/english/policy/healthmedical/pharmaceuticals/01.html





## Preparation against natural disasters

- (1) Protecting yourself
- (2) Taking refuge





## "Be prepared in advance" "Don't panic"



## Useful information:

- Local government's website
- Please ask in advance your host researcher and institution how to evacuate and contact them in case of an emergency.
- NHK World (Live program in case of emergency) https://www3.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/



## **Tips: Living in harmony**

### **Good Manner**

### On the train



### On the road



### In your place





## Living in harmony

## **Rubbish collection**





### **Enjoy your stay in Japan!**



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