The Japanese Studies Subject Group at the University of Cambridge is delighted to announce that once again we are able to offer several Japan and the World Graduate Scholarships for full or partial funding for students beginning the PhD or MPhil course in 2019/20.

The purpose of the Japan and the World scholarships is to stimulate research that either engages one or several disciplines in the study of Japan, considers Japan in the context of a discipline, or examines Japan in the larger context of the world, broadly defined.

Only new applicants to MPhil or PhD programmes in Asian & Middle Eastern Studies (Japanese Studies) at the University are eligible, and applications need to be submitted via the University's online application process here.

The deadline for submission of applications to the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies is Wednesday 5 December 2018 and applicants should make clear in their applications that they wish to be considered for the Japan and the World Graduate Scholarship. Applicants are expected to apply for other external funding available to them but will be considered on merit. We encourage those interested to apply well before the formal official deadline and to make preliminary inquiries via email with potential supervisors. A list of supervisors in Japanese studies in the department can be found here.

The scholarships range from full coverage of the annual University Composition (tuition) Fee and an annual stipend to cover living costs of the individual scholarship recipient to partial cover. Funding will cover three years of formal study for the PhD, plus living costs to support a fourth year of writing up if substantial time is spent conducting research in Japan. For students in the one-year MPhil programme, we similarly offer full and partial funding for the duration of the programme.

All students in Japanese Studies admitted to the PhD programme for the period beginning 2019 are eligible, but preference will be given to those whose research aims to place Japan within the larger context of the world, either in a multilateral focus or through its disciplinary impact.

Candidates wishing to be considered for the scholarship must include with their application a one-page detailed statement explaining how their research embodies the Japan and the World initiative.

Successful applicants for the scholarship must have been offered admission by the University, and fulfil any admission conditions set by the University. Candidates may be of any nationality and the scholarship is tenable at any College within the University.

For further enquiries, beyond the information included on the faculty web page detailing the scholarship and application process available here, contact: Professor Barak Kushner at bk284@cam.ac.uk.

For other scholarships for graduate programmes in Japanese Studies, please go to our webpage at https://www.ames.cam.ac.uk/graduates/graduate-funding.