

Daiwa Scholarships 2014

Daiwa Scholarships offer young and talented UK citizens with strong leadership potential the opportunity to acquire Japanese language skills and to access expertise and knowledge relevant to their career goals over 19 months in Japan.

Since 1991, 141 graduates from over 40 universities and 50 different subject areas – from engineering to politics and from fine art to law – have taken part in this programme.

Daiwa Scholarships are awarded by the Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation, a UK charity that supports links between Britain and Japan, to encourage better understanding between both countries. No previous experience of Japan or Japanese is necessary.

The Programme:

Language study

All Daiwa Scholars undertake intensive Japanese language study in Tokyo. They are expected to reach an upper-intermediate

level of language ability and are encouraged to sit Level N2 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) whilst in Japan.

Work placements

The Foundation arranges individual full-time work placements appropriate to each Daiwa Scholar's career goals. Previous Daiwa Scholars have been based at organisations including government ministries, NGOs, universities, think-tanks, media companies, architecture practices and law firms. A high standard of Japanese is essential to benefit from a successful work placement.

Homestay

Daiwa Scholars spend one month with a family outside Tokyo at the end of the first year to improve their language ability and to enhance their understanding of Japan. Daiwa Scholarships 2014 will be awarded in March 2014 to start in September 2014 and finish at the end of March 2016.

Candidates must be:

- British citizens
- aged between 21 and 35 years of age as of 1 September 2014.

Candidates should be:

- graduates/ due to graduate by 1 September 2014
- equipped with a strong degree in any subject or with a strong record of achievement in their field.

Deadline: Thursday 5 December 2013
Applications online at www.dajf.org.uk

