Young Researcher International Training Program (ITP) "On-site Education of Practical Languages for Area Studies" Application Details for 2012 Academic Year

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The Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, jointly with the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, and under the Young Researcher International Training Program (ITP), sponsored by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, has implemented a "On-site Education of Practical Languages for Area Studies" program, one important pillar of which is support for language acquisition in overseas localities. Overseas dispatch is divided into two parts. With the cooperation of twelve overseas partner institutions, PhD program students, focusing on those who have still to write their pre-doctoral dissertation, will receive "input level" support for local language acquisition. Researchers who have completed their pre-doctoral dissertation, post doctoral students, and assistant professors, will receive "output level" support for the improvement of international communication capabilities.

Application for 2012 Academic Year will be scheduled to open April 26 (Thu.) through 12 noon of May 2 (Wed.), 2012.

*Please note ITP will complete its program at the end of October 2012. Therefore all the dispatch period must complete at the same time as the program ends.

*Please refer to the following internet page for details concerning the program.

Young Researcher International Training Program (ITP)

"On-site Education of Practical Languages for Area Studies"

http://www.asafas.kyoto-u.ac.jp/itp/

1. Overseas Dispatch for the "Input Level" (Local Language Acquisition)

(1) Outline

Graduate students enrolled in the Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies may be dispatched to one of ten partner institutions for periods of three months to six months. Financial assistance will be available for local language acquisition that is genuinely suited to Area Studies.

(2) Qualifications for Application

• Applicants should be graduate students enrolled at the Graduate School of Asian

and African Area Studies,

- In principle, applicants should be students who have not yet submitted the pre-doctoral dissertation,
- DC (doctor) and PD (post-doctoral) researchers at the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science are not eligible for this program,
- Students on leave of absence are also not eligible for this program,
- A second application for this program will be accepted, but first-time students will be given priority.
- (3) Number of students accepted Approximately ten students
- (4) Dispatch period

In principle, between two months and three months within the period of June 15, 2012 to October 15, 2012.

- (5) Partner Institutes for the 2012 Academic Year
 - (a) Indonesia: Hasanuddin University (Coordinating professors: OKAMOTO Masaaki and KOZAN Osamu)
 - Language Learned: Indonesian, Bugis, Makassarese and so on
 - (b) Laos: National University of Laos (Coordinating professor: TAKEDA Shinya) Language Learned: Laotian
 - (c) Vietnam: Vietnam National University Hanoi (Coordinating professor: ITO Masako)
 - Language Learned: Vietnamese
 - (d) India: Center for the Study of Developing Societies; CSDS (Coordinating professor: FUJIKURA Tatsuro)
 - Language Learned: Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Marathi and so on
 - (e) Jordan:Jordan Univeristy (Coordinating professor: KOSUGI Yasushi) Language Learned: Arabic*
 - (f) Ethiopia: Addis Ababa University, College of Social Sciences (Coordinating professor: SHIGETA Masayoshi)
 - Language Learned: Oromo, Sidama, Amharic, Tigre, Omotic Languages
 - (g) Kenya: University of Nairobi, Institute of African Studies (Coordinating professor: OHTA Itaru)
 - Language Learned: Swahili, Kikuyu, Dholuo, Kalenjin, Kimaasai and so on
 - (h) Botswana: University of Botswana (Coordinating professor: ARAKI Shigeru) Language Learned: Setswana, Kalahari, Kalanga, Zulu, Swahili, Afrikaans, Lingala and so on

(i) Cameroon: Yaoundé University 1 (Coordinating professor: KIMURA Daiji) Language Learned: Hausa, Fulbe, Bantu

(6) Financial assistance

- 1. Passenger air fare to the locality and costs of obtaining the necessary visa,
- 2. Living expenses* (JPY 150,000 per month, JPY 5,000 per day, including course fees)
 - *There may be some exceptional cases. Please ask ITP office.
- 3. Language qualification examination fee* (both inside Japan and overseas).
 - *The latest examination before the dispatch, during the dispatch and within one year after the dispatch will be covered.

(7) Application procedure

Please complete the application form of the Young Researcher International Training Program (ITP) input level and submit it to the ITP office by email to the following email address during the period from April 26(Thu.) through the 12 noon of May 2 (Wed.) 2012.

ITP office email address: itp app@asafas.kyoto-u.ac.jp

(8) Selection Criteria

The criteria for those who apply for the input level support are their creativity and experiences on language acquisition, their eagerness and seriousness for the research, and their capacity to plan attractive researches. The present level of the language trained in this program is not a significant criterion.

(9) Selection Procedure

Application Briefing:

April 18, 2012, 1:00 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.,

at Large Meeting Room, $3^{\rm rd}$ Floor, Inamori Foundation Memorial Hall, Kyoto University.

First stage: Application submission, Deadline for applications is at 12 noon on May 2 (Wed), 2012.

Notification of result will be made by e-mail on May 7 (Mon.), 2012.

Second stage: Interview, on May 11 (Fri.), 2012. Time schedule to be announced later.

^{*} There may be some change in partner institute studying Arabic. Please ask ITP office about latest information.

^{*}Important notice: Please note we do not dispatch for Thammasat University, Thailand this year. Since their course holds between December through March every year. We tried to adjust the schedule with the University, however there was no exceptional case.

(10) Requirements after return to Japan

You will be asked to submit the following documents as part of your training achievement. (Forms can be downloaded from the ITP program website.) http://www.asafas.kyoto-u.ac.jp/itp/english/dispatch/index.html

Materials must be submitted to the ITP office within one month of your return to Japan. Please note that late submission or failure to submit these materials will affect your evaluation for the "On-Site Practical Language Seminar I."

- 1. Reports
 - (a) An English or Japanese (Please use the report form from the website.)
 - (b) A version in the language of training (You are open to write any topics based on your research theme or language training etc. Please do not forget to attach the summary of this report in English or Japanese.)
- 2. Lexicon of technical terms in the trained language on your research topic (minimum 100words)
 - (a) Translation of the words may be shown in any one of the following three formats; Japanese, English or French.
 - (b) Recorded sound data files according to your lexicon
- 3. Photographs, video pictures etc.
- 4. Report at the next Practical Language Seminar etc.
- 5. Presentations at international symposiums

(11) Notes

- Applicants should consult with their advising professors concerning the language training content and period of overseas dispatch.
- Please determine appropriate dispatch timing with reference to the details of the partner institutions (available on the website or from the coordinating professors).
- Students who are eligible to apply but who are receiving / will receive other research funds should pay attention to the followings;
 - Other research funds' recipients are eligible to apply, but they are required to clearly separate the travel itinerary into another program's period and an ITP period.
 - 2. It is possible for you to return later than the end of October. However, in that case, nether living expense from November 1st on nor the airfare from your locality to Japan will not be supplied.
 - 3. Recipients of other funds have to seek the consultation with the ITP office in advance of sending an application.
- After returning from this ITP program, when you publish your thesis, academic reports or conferences, please include the next phrase in each time.

 <Example> This work was supported by the JSPS International Training Program (ITP).

2. Output Level (Improvement in International Communication Capabilities)

(1) Outline

Assistance will be extended to researchers who have completed the pre-doctoral dissertation, post-doctoral students and assistant professors in the Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies or the Center for Southeast Asian Studies to visit the three overseas partner institutes to improve their international communication capabilities.

(2) Qualifications for Application

 Applicants should be researchers who have completed the pre-doctoral dissertation, post-doctoral students, or assistant professors in the Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies or the Center for Southeast Asian Studies.

(Please ask the ITP office if you have any further questions.)

- DC (doctor) and PD (post-doctoral) researchers at the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science are not eligible for this program,
- Researchers on leave of absence are also not eligible for this program.

(3) Number of researchers accepted Approx. 1 researcher

(4) Dispatch period

In principle, between two months and three months within the period of June 15, 2012 to October 15, 2012.

(5) 2012 Academic Year Partner Institute

(a) United Kingdom: The University of London(The School of Oriental and African Studies) (Coordinating professors: OKAMOTO Masaaki, TONAGA Yasushi, TAKADA Akira)

Language Learned: English

- (b) France: Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (Coordinating professor: TONAGA Yasushi, OKAMOTO Masaaki, TAKADA Akira)
 Language Learned: French
- (c) Jordan*: Jordan University (Coordinating professor: KOSUGI Yasushi) Language Learned: Arabic
- (d) Indonesia: Hasanuddin University (Coordinating professors: OKAMOTO Masaaki and KOZAN Osamu)
 Language Learned: Indonesian, Bugis, Makassarese

* There may be some change in partner institute studying Arabic. Please ask ITP office about latest information.

(6) Financial assistance

- 1. Passenger air fare to the locality and costs of obtaining the necessary visa
- 2. Living expenses etc.
 - (a) United Kingdom: Living expense (JPY 200,000 per month, JPY 6,600 per day)
 - (b) France: Living expense (JPY 200,000 per month, JPY 6,600 per day)
 - (c) Jordan: Living expense (JPY 180,000 per month, JPY 6,000 per day)
 - (d) Indonesia: Living expense (JPY 180,000 per month, JPY 6,000 per day)
- 3. Costs of participation in international conferences that may be held in the country visited during the training period. (Please note you need the consultation with ITP office before your dispatch.)

(7) Application procedure

Please complete the application form* of the Young Researcher International Training Program (ITP) output level and submit it to the ITP office by email to the following email address during the period of **April 26 (Thu.) through the 12 noon of May 2 (Wed.) 2012**.

*Please attach the result of your recent language test along with your application. (e.g. TOFEL, TOEIC, IELTS, DELF, DALF and/or any other language test.)

ITP office email address: itp_app@asafas.kyoto-u.ac.jp

<Type of application form need to be handed in>

UK: Application form in English only

France: Application form both in English and French

Jordan: Application form both in English and Arabic

Indonesia: Application form both in English and Indonesian

(8) Selection Criteria

The criteria for those who apply for the output level support are their prospects for improving the international communication capabilities* (e.g. the capabilities to have academic discussions in international conferences). The applicants are presupposed to have language abilities for the field-work.

*Those who are applying for UK or France, will be asked to hand in the result of recent language qualification examination.

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Second stage: Interview*, on May 11(Fri), 2012. Time schedule to be announced later.

*A language examination may also be given at the time of the interview.

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- 1. Reports (English. Please use the report form from the website.)
- 2. Thesis in your language of training (Full paper is preferable, but draft is also permitted.)
- 3. Photographs, video pictures etc.
- 4. Report at the next Practical Language Seminar etc.
- 5. Presentation at international symposiums

(11) Notes

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phrase in each time.

Example> This work was supported by the JSPS International Training Program (ITP).

* Please ask the ITP Office, Ms. Nishikawa about the application.

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