APPLICATION OUTLINE

The following is a brief description of the eligibility requirements applicable to Research Fellowships for Young Scientists.

**Persons who are not a Japanese citizen or permanent resident of Japan**

- Doctoral Course Students (DC): **There is no nationality requirement for DC applications.** At the time of applying, the person must either be enrolled or be scheduled to enroll in a doctoral course at a Japanese university.

- Postdoctoral Fellow (PD) and Restart Postdoctoral Fellow (RPD): **At the time of applying, persons must be either a citizen or permanent resident of Japan.** Persons who have a doctoral degree but who are not a Japanese citizen or permanent resident of Japan are not eligible to apply for PD or RPD but they may apply for a JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship for Overseas Researchers. ([http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-fellow/postdoctoral.html](http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-fellow/postdoctoral.html))

**Persons who are a Japanese citizen or permanent resident of Japan**

- Doctoral Course Students (DC): At the time of applying, the person must either be enrolled or be scheduled to enroll in a doctoral course at a Japanese university.

- Postdoctoral Fellow (PD): Persons must have obtained a doctoral degree within the past five years and be or scheduled to be affiliated with a Japanese research institution at the time of application.

- Restart Postdoctoral Fellow (RPD): Persons must have obtained a doctoral degree and be or scheduled to be affiliated with a Japanese research institution at the time of application. Also persons must have suspended her/his research for a period of 3 months or longer for the purpose of childbearing and infant nursing within the 5 years prior to April of the year of acceptance

All fellowship tenures start on April 1st, with the exception of the RPD fellowship.

**Electronic Application**

Applications may only be submitted via JSPS’s electronic application system. When applying, a person should acquire in advance a system ID and password from his/her home institution.

Applicants must find their own host research institution and host researcher before applying. They are to establish close contact in advance with their host researcher and institution.

Other than the research plan, the entire application must be filled out in Japanese, so please have your applying institution assist you through your host researcher. For more details, please see JSPS's home page or the fellowship’s application guidelines. (Japanese version only)