

Application to the DOST-JSPS Joint Scientific Cooperation Program

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The DOST - JSPS Joint Scientific Cooperation Program is an inter-institutional cooperative arrangement initiated on 15 March 1979 through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Scientific Cooperation between the then National Science Development Board (now the Department of Science and Technology) and the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS).

This bilateral program aims to establish sustainable collaborative relations for the advancement of the mutual benefits of the Philippines and Japan under the principle of reciprocity. It also aims to promote scientific researches and exchanges thorough exchange of scientists, holding of scientific seminars, and conduct of dissertation and degree researches under the joint guidance of Filipino and Japanese advisers. The Program is designed to create high potential research nuclei in the fields of natural sciences, social sciences and humanities. The Program fosters and looks after the next generation of leading researchers in the country.

A. Application to the RONPAKU (Dissertation PhD) Program

The JSPS RONPAKU (Dissertation PhD) Program provides tutorial and financial support to promising researchers in Asia and Africa who wish to obtain their PhD degrees from Japanese universities through the submission of a dissertation without matriculating a doctoral course.

WHO MAY AVAIL OF THE SERVICE:

Filipino researcher not over 49 years of age who (1) has no PhD degree from any Japanese University, (2) has a number of publications under his name in his field of specialization, and (3) has already made a headway in his/her field of research/specialization.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Interested applicants must already have contacted a prospective Japanese adviser and discussed with the potential adviser the possibility of applying for the RONPAKU fellowship.
2. Photocopy of the accomplished application form (JSPS Form 2)
3. Photocopy of the recommendation from home institution (JSPS Form 3)

If requirements are complete, this transaction may be completed from seven to eight months. The application period is from July to August of every year.

HOW TO AVAIL OF THE SERVICE:

Step	Applicant	Activity of the Office-in-Charge	Duration of Activity
1	Submits photocopies of JSPS Form 2 and the application letter to the DOST-JSPS Secretariat	Conducts initial screening based on Forms 2 and 3	5 working days
2	Submits original copy of completed Forms 2 and 3 to his/her prospective Japanese professor		
3	The Japanese Advisor	submits Form 1 along with original copies of Forms 2 and 3 to the DOST-JSPS Secretariat	
		Submits list of qualified applicants to the DOST-JSPS Secretariat	
	Evaluates/screens applicants endorsed by DOST-JSPS		
	Informs DOST and the Japanese professor of the results of selection, and also the successful applicant		
	Informs all applicants and the Japanese advisor of the result		
4	Receives notification and informs the applicant of the result	Informs the applicant of the result	2 working days

B. Application to the Joint Research Program

WHO MAY AVAIL OF THE SERVICE:

All Filipino researchers from universities and research institutions that plan to establish or that have already existing scientific collaborations with Japanese researchers by submitting research proposals for funding consideration. For Filipino researchers requiring DOST funding, the five priority areas include: Alternative Fuel, Biotechnology, Information and Communication Technology, Environment, and Pharmaceuticals/Medicine.

If requirements are complete, the processing of application may take a year.

Note: Only one project will be selected yearly and project requiring DOST funding must not be more than Japanese counterpart.

REQUIREMENTS:

Step	Applicant	Activity of the Office-in-Charge	Duration of Activity
1	Submits DOST-GIA Form	Receives the completed DOST-GIA Form	1 day

If documents are complete, prioritize projects for review by Sectoral Councils.

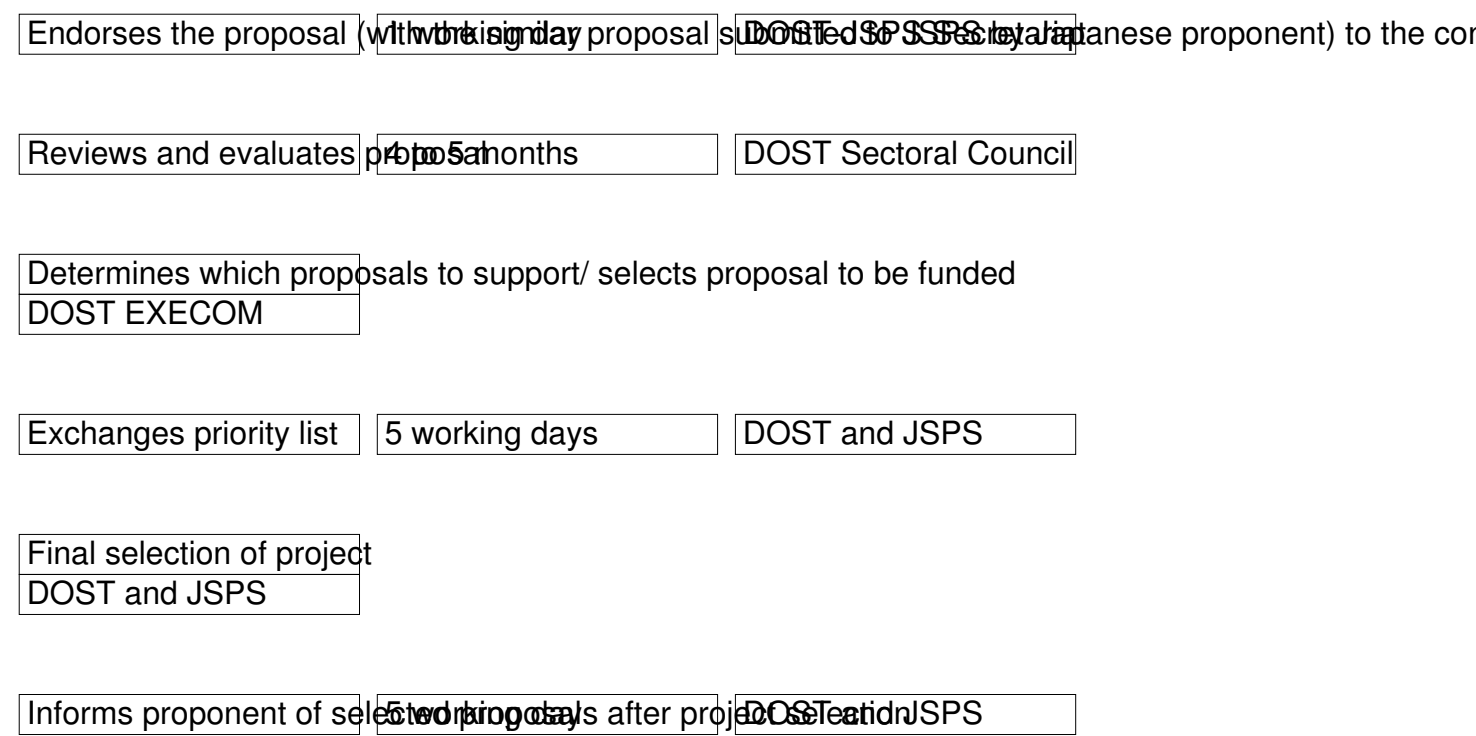
If incomplete, informs the proponent.

3 days per proposal

1 working day

DOST-JSPS Secretariat

Exchanges list of submitted proposals to verify if the DOST and JSPS submitted by the counterpart proponent



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