

# Guideline of the Application of MEXT Scholarship for 2026 in Cambodia

As of 17 April 2025

Embassy of Japan in Cambodia

The MEXT Scholarship is a prestigious scholarship for studying in Japan provided by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT). MEXT offers 4 categories of scholarship to general applicants:

- (R) Research Students
- (U) Undergraduate Students
- (NIT) National Institute of Technology (Kosen) Students
- (S) Specialized Training College Students

## 1. Outline

- (1) Applicants are required to fill in information on the designated application form and submit all necessary documents from **21 April to 23 May, 2025** for Research Students, Undergraduate Students, National Institute of Technology (Kosen) Students, and Specialized Training College Students category, as indicated in the below “**3. Application Process**”.
- (2) The Embassy of Japan will shortlist applicants for the written examination for each category of the scholarship based on the **transcript** and **research proposal** submitted by applicants in Research Students category, and the **transcript** or **record book** submitted by applicants in Undergraduate, National Institute of Technology (Kosen) and Specialized Training College Students category. The results of the shortlisted applicants will be announced on the website of the Embassy.
- (3) The Embassy of Japan will hold the written examination on **15 June, 2025** at the Royal University of Phnom Penh (RUPP) under the conditions as indicated in the below “**4. Written Examination**”.
- (4) The applicants who pass the written examination will take an interview examination in **June 2025** for Research Students category, and **July 2025** for Undergraduate, National Institute of Technology (Kosen), and Specialized Training College Students category at the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia.

## 2. Requirements

Category	Requirements
Research Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Nationality: be a citizen of Cambodia</li><li>➤ Age: Born on or after April 2, 1991</li><li>➤ Academic Background:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✧ For Master’s course: graduate from university (Bachelor’s Degree)</li><li>✧ For Doctoral course: graduate from university (Master’s Degree) <b>(including prospective graduates)</b></li></ul></li><li>➤ Transcript: At least 70% of cumulative Grade Point Average or <math>GPA \geq 2.8/4</math> (average from first year to final year) in the last university or graduate school attended</li></ul>

Undergraduate, and Specialized Training College Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Nationality: be a citizen of Cambodia</li> <li>➤ Age: Born on or after April 2, 2001</li> <li>➤ Academic Background: 12 years of formal education or expected to graduate from high school by March 2026</li> <li>➤ Transcript or Record Book: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✧ For those who have completed the grade 12 national examination, Transcript is required to be at least 70% of the total score of the examination, and in grade 12, respectively</li> <li>✧ For those who did not have grade 12 national examination due to Covid-19, Transcript or Record Book is required to be at least 70% of the total score in grade 12</li> <li>✧ For those who will complete 12 years of schooling, Transcript or Record book is required to be at least 70% of total score of both semesters in grade 11</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
National Institute of Technology (Kosen) Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Nationality: be a citizen of Cambodia</li> <li>➤ Age: Born on or after April 2, 2001</li> <li>➤ Academic Background: At least 11 years of formal education or expected to graduate from grade 11 by March 2026</li> <li>➤ Transcript or Record Book: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✧ For those who have completed the grade 12 national examination, Transcript is required to be at least 70% of the total score of the examination, and in grade 12, respectively</li> <li>✧ For those who did not have grade 12 national examination due to Covid-19, Transcript or Record Book is required to be at least 70% of the total score in grade 12</li> <li>✧ For those who completed 11 years of schooling, Transcript or Record Book is required to be at least 70% of total score in grade 11</li> <li>✧ For those who will complete 11 years of schooling, Transcript or Record Book is required to be at least 70% of total score in grade 10</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### 3. Application Process

The Embassy requires the documents listed below as the necessary documents for the application before the written examination.

(1) Applicants are required to

- Attach necessary documents using designated form(s)\* and submit to the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia during working hours to the address below:

## Embassy of Japan in Cambodia

Address: No.194, Moha Vithei Preah Norodom, Sangkat Tonle Bassac, Khan Chamkar Mon, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Tel : 023-217161～4

Reception Hours : Monday to Friday, 08:30～11:30, 14:00～16:30

Category	List of Documents
Research Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Application Form for FY2026*</li><li>➤ Academic Transcript for all academic year of university attended</li><li>➤ Field of Study and Research Plan*</li><li>➤ ID Card or Equivalent (such as Student ID Card, Passport)</li></ul> <p>Applicants are required to use designated forms for the documents indicated with “*”. Please download these forms from the following URL: <a href="https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01274.html">https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01274.html</a></p>
Undergraduate, National Institute of Technology (Kosen), and Specialized Training College Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Application Form for FY2026*</li><li>➤ Academic Transcript or Record Book of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of designated grade</li><li>➤ Grade 12 National Examination Certificate (if applicable)</li><li>➤ ID Card or Equivalent (such as Student ID Card, Passport)</li></ul> <p>Applicants are required to use designated form for the documents indicated with “*”. Please download these forms from the following URL:</p> <p>Undergraduate Students: <a href="https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01275.html">https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01275.html</a></p> <p>National Institute of Technology Students: <a href="https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01276.html">https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01276.html</a></p> <p>Specialized Training College Students: <a href="https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01277.html">https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/11_000001_01277.html</a></p>

- (2) Submission of an application does not guarantee applicants a seat in the written examination.  
The Embassy strongly advises applicants to check their eligibility, required documents, and enter information thoroughly.
- (3) **In the cases listed below, applicants will be disqualified even if the Embassy receives the application:**
1. Applicants do not fulfill all the requirements
  2. Applicants do not submit all the necessary documents
  3. Applicants do not use the forms designated by the Embassy
  4. Applicants do not follow the deadline set by the Embassy
  5. Applicants submit more than one application form

#### 4. Written Examination

- (1) Written Examination will be held at the Royal University of Phnom Penh on 15 June 2026, for all categories.
- (2) Applicants shall follow other conditions which will be released one week before the examination day.
- (3) If the applicants are late for the meeting time, they will not be allowed to enter the examination room and will be disqualified from taking the examination.
- (4) Subject of Written Examination for each category:

Category		Subject of Written Examination
Research	Social Sciences and Humanities	✧ Japanese (A), English (A)
	Natural Sciences	✧ Japanese (B), English (B)
Undergraduate	Social Sciences and Humanities – A & B	✧ Japanese (A), English (A), Mathematics (A)
	Natural Sciences – A	✧ Japanese (B), English (B), Mathematics (B), Chemistry, and Physics
	Natural Sciences – B & C	✧ Japanese (B), English (B), Mathematics (B), Chemistry and Biology
National Institute of Technology (Kosen)	Material Engineering	✧ Japanese, English, Mathematics, Chemistry
	Others	✧ Japanese, English, Mathematics, Physics
Specialized Training College		✧ Japanese, English, Mathematics
✧ Sample of Past Written Examination: <a href="https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarships/mext-scholarships/examination.html">https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarships/mext-scholarships/examination.html</a>		

#### 5. Benefits of MEXT Scholarship

MEXT Scholarship will provide the following benefits to successful applicants:

- (1) Allowance: from 117,000 yen per month yen per month for Undergraduate, National Institute of Technology, and Specialized Training College Students, and from 143,000 yen per month for Research Students
- (2) Education Fees: Fee for the entrance examination, matriculation, and tuition at designated school will be covered by MEXT
- (3) Traveling Expense: Transportation to/from Japan
- (4) Opportunity to extend the period of scholarship to higher education under MEXT Scholarship Program.