

IWATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S AWARD 2015 FOR DISTINGUISHED FEMALE GRADUATE STUDENTS IN RESEARCH

APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 25TH, 2015

1. PURPOSE

President of Iwate University grants awards and scholarships to the Iwate University's female graduate students who have carried out excellent research activities for the purpose of supporting research activities of female students in graduate schools, in line with the Iwate University Plan of Actions for Gender Equality and the university's three-year program to support women scholars, adopted by Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. The awardees will be given scholarship which can be used to participate in conferences and symposiums, conduct researches, and purchase materials, equipment or books for research.

2. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Female students who belong to one of the following graduate schools of Iwate University and have carried out excellent research activities may apply regardless of her field of study or nationality. She must be a student of Iwate University in time of application, receiving award and using scholarship.

- (1) Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences (Master's)
- (2) Graduate School of Education (Master's)
- (3) Graduate School of Agriculture (Master's)
- (4) Graduate School of Engineering (Master's and Doctoral)
- (5) United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences (Doctoral)
- (6) Students in Doctoral Course of the United Graduate School of Veterinary Science, Gifu University who study at Iwate University

3. AWARD AND SCHOLARSHIP

The awardees will be given following scholarship.

(1) First Prize (1 student)

Financial support up to 150,000 YEN to be used to attend national or international conferences, conduct researches, purchase material, equipment or books for research (When the actual cost is less than 150,000 YEN, Iwate University will only give the amount of the actual cost.)

(2) Second Prizes (3 students)

Financial support up to 50,000 YEN to be used to attend national or international conferences, conduct researches, purchase material, equipment or books for research (When the actual cost is less than 50,000 YEN, Iwate University will only give the amount of the actual cost.)

*Note that scholarship will be given to the awardees through their supervisors. Scholarship will be given to cover the cost paid in the fiscal year of 2014 while the

awardee is a Iwate University student. Third Prize may be given.

4. HOW TO APPLY

Send one copy of all the following documents to Office for Gender Equality, Iwate University via email, fax, or in-campus mail delivery service (*gakunai mail bin*) or directly bring them to Gender Equality Office. Incomplete application may not be considered.

(1) Application Form

Use the form. An applicant must get her supervisor's approval before applying. Gender Equality Office may contact the applicant's supervisor when necessary.

(2) Summary of the applicant's conference presentations or researches that the applicant has already finished or plan to do in the near future

There is no form for this. It should be detailed yet brief and no longer than A4 1 page.

(3) Summary of the applicant's planned presentation at the final selection

There is no form for this. It should not exceed 300 words in English or 750 letters in Japanese.

- If the applicant plans to give a presentation which she already published or presented at other occasion, she may submit the abstract of the article or the presentation.
- If the applicant plans to give a presentation which she plans to publish or present in the future, she may submit the abstract of the article or the presentation.

(4) Impact of the research to the applicant's field of study or larger society and aspiration

There is no form for this. It should not exceed 300 words in English or 750 letters in Japanese. Please describe the impact you expect your research to have in your field of study or to larger society. Describe also future research plan, your aspiration and career plan in the research.

5. DEADLINE

Wednesday, May 25, 2015

Date and the venue of the final selection (presentation by those who pass the first selection) will be announced later.

6. SELECTION PROCESS

Selection Committee composed of the Iwate University President, Vice President (Head of Gender Equality Office), faculty members of the Office, and Research Support Coordinators will review applications. Gender Equality Committee (Chair: Iwate University President) will review and authorize the decision by the Selection Committee.

First selection - Reviewed based on the submitted application

Second selection (final) - Evaluated based on the presentation which the selected applicants give in front of the Committee (Presentation can be made in English or Japanese.)

7. NOTIFICATION OF THE RESULTS

Result of the first selection will be notified to all the applicants by mid-June, 2015. Final selection results will be informed to all those who make presentations at the selection by early-August.

8. OTHERS

Academic skills seminar will be organized in early-July, 2015 before the second (final) selection by Gender Equality Office. While all Iwate University students, faculty, and staff are eligible to participate, applicants to this Award are strongly encouraged to participate in the seminar. Details will be announced at the Gender Equality Office website <http://www.iwate-u.ac.jp/gender2013/>

9. INQUIRY AND WHERE TO SUBMIT

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