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Research Fellowships

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Annually, the Canon Foundation in Europe grants up to 15 Fellowships to highly qualified European and Japanese researchers. European Fellows are expected to pursue a period of research in Japan whereas Japanese Fellows are expected to do their research in Europe.

Canon Foundation Fellowships are for a minimum period of three months up to maximum of one year.

We support all fields of research. There are no limitations or restrictions. Applicants do not have to be currently enrolled or employed at the time of applying.

Canon Fellows from Europe are free to choose their host institutes and hosts in Japan. The same freedom is given to Japanese Canon Fellows coming to Europe. Canon Foundation Research Fellowships may be applied for when an agreement on co-operation and on a research plan has been reached between the guest researcher and the proposed host institution.

Applications can also be submitted by members of commercial, industrial, governmental or professional organisations.

Eligibility

All Europeans are eligible to apply (including Israel, Turkey, Balkan and Baltic countries).

Europeans should have permanent citizenship in the country.

Applicants should have obtained at least a Master's degree within the last ten years of applying to the Canon Foundation. We will also consider candidates who obtained their qualification more than ten years ago as long as they provide further supporting information in their application.

Please note that priority is given to applicants going to Europe and Japan for the first time.

Application procedure for Fellowships

The annual deadline for applications is September 15. Consideration of the applications takes several months. The Selection Committee's final decisions will be emailed to applicants before the end of December of that year. Therefore, the earliest possible date to begin the Fellowship is January 1 of the following year.

It is important to note that no correspondence is entered into by the Foundation in regard to decisions taken on any individual application and in view of the large number of applicants, no negative inference should be drawn from the failure of a candidate to secure a Fellowship.

The financial support for Research Fellows ranges from 22,500 Euro to 27,500 Euro per year and pro-rata for different periods. The Canon Foundation gives priority to those who plan to travel to Europe or Japan rather than prolong a current stay.

Applications should be made through our online application form. After registering, you will be directed to the application form.

https://forms.canonfoundation.org/register.php?_ga=2.25605117.1772837848.1530512881-1812249416.1530265804

Please check here for the list of documents which need to be uploaded before your application can be submitted.

Success rate

The average success rate is around 10%. Funding decisions are based on the quality of the research plan, the reference letters and the host confirmation. The success rate is not influenced by gender, age and nationality. Between 1990 - 2016, a total of 363 Canon Research Fellowships were granted. 221 European Fellows and 142 Japanese Fellows were sponsored. European Fellows come from some 27 countries.

How to apply

https://forms.canonfoundation.org/how-to-apply.php?_ga=2.95772636.1772837848.1530512881-1812249416.1530265804

The 15 September 2020 deadline has been extended to 15 February 2021. Applicants can expect to receive a decision by mid-May 2021. This means that the earliest start date that an applicant can apply to do research will be from **September 2021 until December 2022.**

As part of the application procedure, you will be asked to upload the following:

- Your research plan including an estimate of total costs(maximum 1 A4 sheet-2 sides). There are no restrictions regarding what sort of costs which can be included in the cost estimate. For example, living costs, travel, insurance, research costs, books, etc *
- a confirmation from your host institute that research or work facilities will be made available to you. The host confirmation should state how the supervisor/host institution will help you to facilitate the project (i.e., what resources will be offered, what kind of supervision will be given, etc.). This will help the Selection Committee establish the feasibility of the project. Applicants should try to get a host confirmation letter which is as detailed as possible
- 2 reference letters from 2 persons who are in a position to comment on your academic or professional qualifications and on your previous work. The 2 referees can be different to the ones on your CV
- Your Curriculum Vitae*
- Your highest academic degree or professional qualification obtained*
- 1 passport size photograph of yourself*
- A list of your academic publications or professional achievements in chronological order containing information on all authors, place and year of publication and page references

***These documents MUST be uploaded at least before you can submit your application (1) your research plan (2) your Curriculum Vitae (3) your Doctoral/Degree or highest qualification/certificate (4) Passport-sized photograph**

Your application will be complete on receipt of the 2 reference letters AND the host confirmation letter. You can upload these documents yourself until **28 February 2021** OR they can be emailed or posted directly to us at foundation@canon-europe.com and we will upload them to your application.

After **28 February 2021**, the uploading facility will be closed for applicants so please email any other documents which still need to be uploaded, directly to our office and we will upload it for you. You will be notified about the result of your application by **mid-May 2021.**

If you already submitted your application and are uploading documents at a later date, please click again on the **SUBMIT APPLICATION** button and we will be informed that a document has been added to your application.

Because the form has been designed for applicants from the commercial, governmental and academic worlds, parts of the form may be more or less relevant. Applicants will also understand that for a proper appreciation of candidates, the information needs to be particularly comprehensive.

Please note that successful applications may not receive the full amount that they request.

DECISION

All applicants will be notified of the decision by email.

IMPORTANT

Candidates should be aware that it is not the Foundation's policy to award Fellowships to those who are already in possession of a concurrent research grant aid from another Foundation authority.

Candidates are specially invited to note that no correspondence is entered into by the Canon Foundation in regard to decisions taken on any individual application and no negative inference should be inferred.

For any questions concerning completing the application, please email the Canon Foundation at foundation@canon-europe.com

About us

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The Canon Foundation is a philanthropic, grant-making institution, active in the promotion of international culture and scientific relations between Europe and Japan.

The Canon Foundation in Europe was established on December 22nd, 1987 under Dutch law and has its seat in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The Foundation was established by Canon Europa N.V., Canon's European Headquarters.

The Canon Foundation is legally and financially an independent organisation but enjoys a close co-operation with Canon Europa N.V. which provided the initial funds.

The Secretariat of the Foundation is in Amstelveen – the Netherlands.

Programmes

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Canon Foundation Research Fellowships are open to Europeans and Japanese nationals. Europeans must want to do their research in Japan and Japanese must want to do their research in Europe.

Together with the European University Institute, San Fiesole, Italy, the Canon Foundation jointly awards one co-sponsored Canon Foundation Research Fellowship annually for post-doctoral research at the EUI. This Fellowship is open to candidates of Japanese nationality or permanent residents of Japan. The annual deadline for applications is 15 September and applicants can apply either via the Canon Foundation or the European University website.

At the end of 2017, the Japan-Africa Exchange Program was established between the Canon Foundation in Europe and Kyoto University. Grants are offered to scholars from Kyoto University who want to do research in Africa related to African Studies, and for scholars from Kyoto University's partner institutes in Africa who want to do research in Kyoto.

For further information and the application form, please visit the website of Kyoto University Africa Unit at <http://www.africaunit.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/> or send an email to africaunit@kura.kyotou.ac.jp

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