EDWIN O. REISCHAUER INSTITUTE OF JAPANESE STUDIES HARVARD UNIVERSITY

2019 Undergraduate Summer Japanese Language Grant

The Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies (RIJS) will award competitive grants for Harvard undergraduates who plan to enroll in a summer Japanese language study program in Japan. The grant will provide funding towards tuition, travel, and living expenses. Students in any concentration are eligible to apply, but must be in good academic standing and intend to return for the fall semester as full-time students. **Preference will be given to those students whose concentrations either require or give credit for language study, or who plan a senior thesis project that makes use of the language to be studied.** Grants up to \$7,000.

Application Process:

- 1) Apply using CARAT, Harvard's web-based application tool, at: https://apps2.registrar.fas.harvard.edu/carat/
 After logging in with your Harvard credentials, select "Reischauer Institute Undergraduate Summer Language Grant" to start your application. This application requires:
 - 1. Two letters of recommendation
 - 2. Proposal of 750 words or less
 - 3. Itemized travel budget sheet
 - 4. Current one-page résumé
 - 5. Current unofficial transcript
- 2) Submit your completed application on CARAT by Monday, February 4, 2019, 5 PM.
- 3) Announcement of the awards will be made directly to the student by the first week of April. Students have 1 week from the date of the acceptance letter to accept or decline the offer.

Application Instructions to the RIJS Undergraduate Summer Japanese Language Grant:

- Application must be supported by **two letters of recommendation, including one from a language instructor**. When requesting a recommendation from a Japanese language instructor, please provide the instructor with the "Language Instructor Reference" sheet (available on the website). Letters of recommendation must be uploaded to CARAT by the recommender or his/her proxy.
- In your **750-word proposal**, please indicate the summer language program(s) to which you have applied (e.g. HIF, IUC, KCJS, PII). Your proposal should explain your degree of preparation for studying Japanese in Japan and how such an opportunity will fit into your overall course of study at Harvard.
- You may apply for other funding sources (e.g. Office of Career Services), but you must inform the RIJS if you receive any other awards for this proposal after you submit this application. Should you be awarded the maximum funding from the Office of Career Services, your application to the RIJS will be withdrawn automatically.
- Any incomplete applications, or those that do not follow the instructions above will not be considered.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Monday, February 4, 2019, by 5:00 PM on CARAT.

For more information, please contact the Program Coordinator: Jennie Kim (jennie kim@harvard.edu).