

## Harvard-Yenching Institute Programs 2016-2017

**The Harvard –Yenching Institute calls for nominations from Waseda University for the Visiting Scholars Program and the Visiting Fellows Program for the year 2016-2017. Please log on to Waseda-net portal (Administration→International office→Information of Grants & Awards) for details as well as the guidelines below.**

### 1. The Harvard-Yenching Institute

Located on the premises of Harvard University campus (independent from the university), the institute has been promoting scholarly communications in the humanities and social sciences, with special attention to the study of Asian culture.

The Harvard-Yenching Institute URL : <http://www.harvard-yenching.org/>

### 2. Programs and Eligibility (summary)

※Please note that the following round will be for the year 2018-2019, as Waseda University is invited to continue nominating candidates to the program every other year.

#### I : Visiting Scholars Program

##### 1) Eligibility:

Applicants should have been serving at Waseda University for at least two years as a full time faculty (Professor, Associate Professor, or Assistant Professor [excluding Teacher (Affiliated Senior High School)]) **at the date of starting of the HYI Program (August 1, 2016).**

**\*Scholars whose affiliation with Waseda University ends at any point before or during the stay at HYI are NOT eligible for applying.**

\*Scholars who gained their Ph.D. in an English speaking institution in the past five years are NOT eligible for applying.

##### 2) Fields:

Applicants' fields of research in the humanities and social sciences to be considered:

*Anthropology, Archaeology, History (including art history, economic history and legal history), Linguistics, Literature, Philosophy, Politics, Study of Religion, and Sociology*

※Please contact the International Office in advance of the application if your research field falls out of the range mentioned above (e.g. economics, law, Education, Psychology). The International Office will check with the Institute.

##### 3) Selection Criteria:

English proficiency, academic training (including PhD degree in most cases), quality and originality of the research proposal, demonstrated depth of subject knowledge, and feasibility of conducting the research at Harvard University and/or other major universities in the US

##### 4) Period: 10 months

##### 5) Coverage:

a: Round trip economy class airfare for Tokyo-Boston

b: A stipend of US \$5,800 (for 2015-2016) per month for the period of residence in Cambridge, Massachusetts (for 10 months)

c: Health Insurance up to the amount of \$4,500

d: Funding (up to \$1,000) for hiring a Research Assistant or an editor within the 10-month research stay

e: Funding (up to \$1,000) for participation in two academic conferences in North America

6) Opportunities and Requirements:

This program offers selected scholars the opportunity to undertake 10 months of study and research at Harvard University and/or other appropriate universities. They have access to the Harvard University libraries and facilities. Selected scholars work with faculty at Harvard and/or other major appropriate universities, and are required to make at least one public presentation in English on their proposed research project during their stay at the Institute.

## **II : Visiting Fellows Program**

1) Eligibility:

Applicants must be Ph.D. candidates (doctoral students) or Research Associates (without Ph.D. degree) at Waseda University.

※ Those who receive Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarships are NOT eligible for applying.

2) Fields:

Candidates' fields of research in the humanities and social sciences to be considered:

*Anthropology, Archaeology, History (including art history, economic history and legal history), Linguistics, Literature, Philosophy, Politics, Study of Religion, and Sociology*

※Comparative East Asian Studies takes precedence on their selection.

※Please contact the International Office in advance of the application if your research field falls out of the range mentioned above (e.g. economics, law, Education, Psychology). The International Office will check with the Institute.

3) Selection Criteria:

Academic training, quality and originality of the research proposal, depth of subject knowledge and feasibility of conducting the research at Harvard University

4) Period: 3 semesters

5) Coverage:

a: Round trip economy class airfare for Tokyo-Boston

b: Payment of the Harvard Visiting Fellows fee

c: A stipend adequate for a single fellow (for 2015-2016, the monthly stipend is approximately \$2,700 per month)

d: Funding (up to \$1,000) for taking an English class or hiring an editor during the research stay

e: Funding (up to \$1,000) for participation in two academic conferences in North America

6) Opportunities and Requirements:

This program provides selected fellows an opportunity to do dissertation research at Harvard University for three semesters, with access to Harvard libraries and facilities. They are also affiliated with the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences of Harvard University. Selected fellows study under the supervision of faculty at Harvard or other appropriate university, and participate in a weekly dissertation workshop and contribute two book reviews to the Harvard-Yenching Institute website.

### 3. Application Procedure

1) Application Documents:

Please prepare the following documents required by the Harvard- Yenching Institute.

#### I . Visiting Scholars Program

- Research Plan (3-5 pages, in English)

What is the subject of your research plan? Scholarships are intended for original, publishable research (It is not necessary that the research be completed during the year at Harvard). The scholarship is not intended for the compilation of textbooks or the writing of general surveys of your field. Give a description in English in about 3-5 pages, explaining your research plans at Harvard University and/or another major university.

- A CV(curriculum vitae), in English, including  
Honors (previous fellowships, scholarships, grants and other honors)  
Employment (All positions held, academic or other, in chronological order, with dates. Include the date from which you have held your present faculty position)  
Publications (please list titles in the original language as well as English)

#### II .Visiting Fellows Program

- Dissertation Description (2-3 pages, in English)  
What is the subject of your Ph.D. dissertation? Please provide a 2-3 page description, indicating how far you have progressed in writing it. Explain how a Visiting Fellowship at Harvard University would contribute to your dissertation.
- A CV(curriculum vitae), in English, including  
Honors (previous fellowships, scholarships, grants and other honors)  
Employment (All positions held, academic or other, in chronological order, with dates. Include the date from which you have held your present faculty position)  
Publications (please list titles in the original language as well as English)
- University Transcripts (English version)  
Only for graduate level (undergraduate and other transcripts not required).  
Unofficial transcripts are accepted, but official transcripts are preferred.

2) Submission:

Please submit the application documents to the office of your department at Waseda.

(The International Office will receive them from each office and work as a coordinator for nomination within Waseda. )

3) Deadline:

Each office sets the deadline before the International Office's.  
(Deadline at the International Office: Friday, July 17, 2015)

4) Others: Helpful Information for applicants

<http://www.harvard-yenching.org/helpful-information-fellowship-applicants>

### 4. Selection at Waseda

Documentary selection for both applicants for the Visiting Scholars Program and the Visiting Fellows Program, and an interview for applicants for the Visiting Fellows Program will take place in late July. Maximum three scholars and two fellows will be selected as candidates at Waseda. The results of the internal selection at Waseda will be announced to all applicants in early August.

## 5. Nomination to the Harvard-Yenching Institute

- 1) Each candidate selects three persons (applicant's advisor or a person the most familiar with his/her scholarly work) and asks them to write a recommendation letter for him/her.
- 2) Three recommendation letters (in English) must be sent directly from the writer to the International Office via post mail or PDF file by September 25, 2015.  
Post mail: *HYI Program at the International Office, Waseda University*  
*1-7-14, Nishi-Waseda, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 169-0051 JAPAN*  
E-mail: [wint-americas@list.waseda.jp](mailto:wint-americas@list.waseda.jp)
- 3) Each candidate must complete the online application by September 30, 2015.  
\* After the internal selection, the International Office will inform each candidate of a URL and application guide for the online application system .
- 4) The International Office will upload an Institutional Approval Form and recommendation letters for each candidate to the online system.

## 6. Selection at the Harvard-Yenching Institute

- 1) Documentary selection at the Institute
- 2) An interview will be held by Harvard-Yenching faculty and/or staff after the documentary selection in mid-January, 2016.
- 3) Candidates will be notified of the selection results in mid-February, 2016

## 7. Others

- 1) Applicants are required/must visit the following website of the Harvard -Yenching Institute to check the details of the programs.:
  - Visiting Scholars Program <http://www.harvard-yenching.org/visiting-scholars-program>
  - Visiting Fellows Program <http://www.harvard-yenching.org/visiting-fellows-program>
- 2) The applicant (faculty member) should consider the effect of the absence due to participating in the Program on his/her duties at Waseda, and must obtain informal approval from the dean of his/her department prior to the application.

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