

Fellowship Fund Program

USD 20,000

Mainly those studying in the Humanities and the Social Sciences

For Grad Students

2026 The Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund Program (the SYLFF)

■ Desired candidates

Those who are expected to be active in the future as leaders demonstrating initiative in society, and who have a high level of education, advanced expertise, human skills and a strong will to contribute to the world.

Sylff Program : <https://www.sylff.org/about/>

■ The applicant

- Must be enrolled in a master's, professional or doctoral degree program at Waseda University and be continuously enrolled at Waseda during the period of the Sylff program;
- Must have a personal goal of proactively dealing with various pressing issues in areas such as economic development, social system design, international relations, human rights, the environment, information and cross-cultural understanding, and must have the qualifications to be such a leader in those fields in the future.

■ Period of grant June 2026 to March 2028

■ Amount of disbursement & Planned number of fellows

USD 20,000 per person, in principle (USD 10,000 in each of the first year and the second year.)
& One graduate student

■ Application documents

Applicants must prepare the documents and submit them to their graduate school administrative office by post or in person. https://waseda-research-portal.jp/en/for_graduate_students/

■ Selection method

Document review, followed by interview of those who passed the document review (tentatively in June)

■ Submission deadline

The application documents **must be submitted by April 7(Tue)16:00,2026 (strictly observed)**1st Floor of Building 51, Center for Science and Engineering

■ Result announcement

June 2026 (tentative)

■ Message from
Scholarship
Student



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