

1. Overview

The grant is awarded for foreign researchers as a startup project of their success in obtaining the 2022 Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (hereafter referred to as “2022 *Kaken-hi*”). Another aim of the grant is to financially support foreign researchers’ innovative and imaginative research in accordance with the university’s vision ; An institution with both local and global features that functions as an outstanding education and research hub in the Asia-Pacific region.

We, the university hope the grant contributes to medium-to-long-term financial support for foreign researchers, leading to the higher quality of both education and research in the university.

2. Research Period : From the selection date to March 31, 2022

3. Eligibility criteria

Category 1 : Applicants must be non-selected A or non-selected B in the ranking of 2021 *Kaken-hi* (Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (B), Challenging Research (Pioneering), Fostering Joint International Research (B)).

Category 2 : Applicants must be non-selected A in their ranking of 2021 *Kaken-hi* (Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C), Challenging Research (Exploratory), Early-Career Scientists)

All the applicants of two categories must meet the following conditions.

- ① Applicant must belong to the University of the Ryukyu in the spring semester of 2022 as a foreign researcher.
- ② Applicant must not be awarded any other types of Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research.
- ③ Applicant must complete Education for Research Integrity and Proper Use of Research Funds (e-learning)
- ④ Applicant cannot apply for *Kaken-hi* Incentive Grant concurrently.

*Foreign Researchers who apply for the grant are not allowed to apply for 2021 University of the Ryukyus Research Project Promotion Grant for Early-Career, Women and Women(group).

*Foreign researchers selected for the grant must apply for 2022 *Kaken-hi* with the help from those who had selected for *Kaken-hi* before.

4. Application and deadline

Following application form and documents must be submitted by 17:00 on Friday, May 14, 2021.

- ① Application Form (Form 1)
- ② A copy of the proposal for 2021 Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research
- ③ A copy of the 2021 review result for 2021 Grant-in-Aid of Scientific Research

*Form 1 can be downloaded from the Research Promotion Section Website.

URL : https://gspd.skr.u-ryukyu.ac.jp/gakusaibu/kenkyu/?page_id=16540

*All the application form and documents must be submitted to the Research Promotion Section by e-mail through the office of the faculty with which each applicant is affiliated.

Email : srpu@acs.u-ryukyu.ac.jp

5. Fund allocation :

Category 1 : up to 1 million yen per grant

Category 2 : up to 0.8 million yen per grant

6. Selection process

Pre-selection assessment of documents review and presentation by the applicants will be conducted by the Screening Committee, which is made up of those who are designated by the director of Organization for Research Promotion at the university, based on the following evaluation criteria. Then President of the university through the Board of Directors will make the final decisions regarding the selection and amount of the grant.

- ① Research theme's scientific value
- ② Validity how the research will be conducted
- ③ Capability of carrying out research (past achievement/s)

7. Selection result

The selection result with an applicant' affiliation, job title, name, research theme and the grant amount will be listed on the website.

8. Report of research

Fellows must submit an Allowance Expenditure Report (Form 2) and a Research Report (Form 3) to the Research Promotion Section within one month after the period of the grant. A hearing about research progress may be carried out. Form 3 is to be posted on the university's website.

9. About the acknowledgement

When publishing any papers by which the research is conducted with the support of the grant, it is required to include the grant acknowledgement in the acknowledgement section of your paper.

Example)

【English】 This work is supported by University of the Ryukyus Research Project Promotion Grant for Foreign Researchers (No. . . .)

【Japanese】 本研究は琉球大学外国人研究者支援研究費(No. . . .)の助成を受けたものです。

*The No. will be notified by the Promotion Section when the research is selected.