

March 2023

16th Annual UNION BANK Scholarship
for a Japanese Language Major's Study in Japan
(Academic Year of 2023-2024)

The Japanese Language Program in the Department of Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages at San Diego State University is pleased to announce a generous contribution from **Union Bank**, as a scholarship for an outstanding Japanese language major who will participate in the SDSU Exchange Program and study in Japan for the academic year of 2023-2024. This **Union Bank Scholarship**, with a stipend of **\$1,000**, will be awarded competitively.

Requirements for application are:

1. Study of Japanese at SDSU during the academic year of 2022-2023
2. An applicant must be an officially matriculated student at SDSU at the time of application.
3. Major in Japanese
4. Minimum GPA: 2.75
5. Plans to study Japanese at an exchange partner institution in Japan during the academic year of 2023-2024

To apply:

- Go to sdsu.edu/scholarships, log in using your SDSUid, and complete the General Application.
- Go to the website of the Japanese Language Program and download (1) Essay Writing Form and (2) Information Sheet.
- **Handwrite** one essay in Japanese using the Essay Writing Form covering the following points:
 - At which Japanese university will you be studying?
 - Why did you choose this institution?
 - What would you like to accomplish while you are studying at this institution?
 - How will the experience in Japan impact your career?

You may use up to three sheets of the Essay Writing Form.

- Fill out the Information Sheet and upload it along with your unofficial SDSU transcript.
- **You must indicate that you are part of the “Japanese Language Program” by checking the corresponding box under Clubs/Activities on the general application.**

You must log in to Aztec Scholarships and make sure that all required materials are uploaded between April 10 and April 28, 2023. The Review Period will begin on May 1, 2023.

It will be your responsibility to monitor Aztec Scholarships. If you are awarded, you must **complete a thank you letter to the donor in Aztec Scholarships within 14 days** of receiving your award notification. It is imperative that you meet this deadline! There are no extensions, and the scholarship will be cancelled and awarded to an alternate if you do not complete this very important step.

For more information, please contact: Professor Yoshiko Higurashi at yhigurashi@sdsu.edu