The Japanese studies team at Cambridge University is delighted to announce the launch of a new multi-year graduate scholarship to support doctoral students in Japanese studies at Cambridge University. Funded jointly by the Toshiba International Foundation and the Cambridge Commonwealth, European and International Trust, the scholarship is available for a qualified student planning to start his or her doctoral studies from October 2018.

The purpose of the scholarship is to stimulate research that either engages one or several disciplines in the study of Japan or considers Japan in the larger context of the world, broadly defined.

Applicants should apply to take a PhD in Asian & Middle Eastern Studies (Japanese Studies) at the University, via the University's online application process here. The deadline for submission of applications to the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies is January 4, 2018, and applicants should make clear in their applications that they wish to be considered for the Cambridge Toshiba Japan and the World Graduate Scholarship. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply well before the formal official deadline and to make preliminary enquires via email with potential supervisors. A list of supervisors in Japanese studies in the department can be found here.

The scholarship will cover the annual University Composition (tuition) Fee and an annual stipend to cover living costs of the individual scholarship recipient. Funding will cover three years of formal study for the PhD, including potentially a contribution towards a year of field work, and also, potentially, living cost to support a fourth year of writing up.

All students in Japanese Studies admitted to the PhD programme for the period beginning 2018 are eligible, but preference will be given to those whose research aims to place Japan within the larger context of the world, either in its multilateral focus or through its disciplinary impact.

Candidates wishing to be considered for the scholarship must include with their application a one-page detailed statement explaining how their research embodies the Japan and the World initiative.

Successful applicants for the scholarship must have been offered admission by the University, and fulfil any admission conditions set by the University. Candidates may be of any nationality and the scholarship is tenable at any College within the University.

For further enquiries, beyond the information included on the faculty web page detailing the scholarship and application process available here, contact: Dr John Nilsson-Wright ihs22@cam.ac.uk

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