Dear Partner,

We would like you to recommend the most suitable student for Japanese Government (MEXT) scholarship (Japanese Studies students). There is no guarantee, as you know, that the candidate will certainly be accepted as a MEXT Scholarship student even if he/she is recommended as the first candidate on the list of Shizuoka University.

Please note that a candidate must be an undergraduate student majoring in Japanese language and Japanese culture and was born between 2nd April 1988 and 1st April 2000. The students whose total academic career at your university is less than one year are excluded from possible candidates. The students not majoring the Japanese language or Japanese culture are NOT eligible to apply. The candidate is expected to be proficient in Japanese, required to have gotten good academic records, and supposed, of course, to return to home university after the program.

When it is decided by MEXT that your candidate is awarded the scholarship, his/her arrival will be in the end of September 2018 and study in Shizuoka University from October 2018 to September 2019.

The necessary documents to be submitted are as follows:

1. 2018 Application Form for Japanese Government (MEXT) scholarship (Japanese Studies students) [Five sheets]
2. Four photos (See the another introduction sheet)
3. Passport (Copy) (Register or certificate of citizenship of the candidate's native country, if candidate do not have a passport yet.)
4. Certificate of university enrollment the university the candidate is currently attending (Original)
5. Certified academic transcript from the university the candidate is currently attending (Original)
6. Letter of Recommendation from the University President the candidate is currently attending, to Shizuoka University President as the candidate's host university.
7. Proof of Japanese language ability. (JLPT Certificate of Result and Scores, if candidate has taken JLPT.)
8. Certificate of Health
9. Pledge
I. The candidate is supposed not to apply at the same time for any other scholarships, such as an overseas student support program sponsored by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), 2018 MEXT Scholarship (Embassy Recommendation) and so on. Also the MEXT scholarship students are supposed not to receive any other scholarship money from other organization than MEXT (including a government or an organization of the applicant's country.) after arrival in Japan.

II. Each of the documents should be typewritten or write neatly by pen in block letters on a sheet of paper sized A4(21.0cm × 29.7cm) and submitted to us not later than February 28, 2018. We will be appreciated if you sending scanned copies or spread sheets in advance, we will make confirm them.

III. The selection will be based on the above documents and materials. Essay, resume, or other attachments will not be considered as judgement base.

IV. [Study plan in Japan] and [Future plan in academics and career after graduation from your university] are better to describe in details with enrichment and we encourage to write in Japanese, if possible. These has great effect on the selection. Attachments are not allowed.

V. The address name of “the letter of recommendation” should be "Shizuoka University President".

VI. Those who want to study in Shizuoka University as an exchange student if he/she will be out of the MEXT candidate list, have to apply to exchange program at the same time. It would be fine to be sent one pair of duplicated materials like photos, certificate of health.

We very much look forward to hearing from you in this regard at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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