

Offer of Scholarships by the *Governments of Japan and Chile*

For Studies Commencing 2019

The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago invites **ONLINE** applications from citizens of Trinidad and Tobago for scholarships being offered by the Governments of Japan and Chile for the academic year commencing 2019.

Characteristics of the Scholarship

Purpose of Scholarship	This scholarship is aimed at increasing the education opportunities to citizens in order to promote national development
Areas of Study to be awarded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masters in Structural and Geotechnical Engineering
Duration of Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 1st, 2019 to March 31st, 2020
Who Can Apply	Citizens of Trinidad and Tobago
Tenability	These scholarships are tenable at the Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile (PCU) . The programme will be instructed in Spanish
Application Process	Go to the scholarships website at www.scholarships.gov.tt and complete the prescribed application form and attach all the required documents.
Deadline date for submission	November 14 th , 2018 @ 4:00PM
Response to Application	<p><u>For Nomination</u> The range of response time is between 60 to 90 days from the closing date of the scholarship.</p> <p><u>For Selection</u> The final result will be published on the Chilean Agency of International Cooperation for Development (AGCID) website www.agcid.cl around December 20th, 2018</p>
General Conditions of Scholarship	<p>Applicants are advised of the following general conditions of the scholarship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ministry responsible for the administration of this scholarship (<i>hereafter referred to as “the Ministry”</i>) reserves the right to publish the names of candidates selected for scholarships. By applying for a scholarship, the candidate gives consent for such publication in the event that his/her application is successful. • Candidates will be given formal Notification of the scholarship award, requesting that they indicate their acceptance of the Scholarship. • Formal confirmation of the scholarship award will be issued when all conditions have been met. • Scholars will be expected to take up the scholarship award from the date stated by the Ministry in its Notification of the scholarship award.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apart from study related travel, scholars will be expected to reside in the approved country of study throughout their programme of study and for any proposed visits outside the country of study, must seek prior approval from the Ministry, except for visits to Trinidad and Tobago. Expenses for any such travel are not included in this award. • This award is for full time study. • Scholars may not undertake paid employment during their awards without prior consent from the Ministry. • This scholarship award will be used to fund the programme of study for the specified period. • Scholarship recipients must maintain satisfactory progress and good standing as stipulated by the academic institution, or the scholarship award will be withdrawn and the recipient liable to repay the Ministry for the funds expended at the date of withdrawal. • Scholarship recipients must follow the approved programme of study and abide by the rules, regulations and codes of conduct of the academic institution. Suspension from the academic institution can lead to termination of the scholarship. Allowances are not payable during the period of suspension. • Scholars will be required to sign an undertaking to return to Trinidad and Tobago and report in person to the Ministry within one (1) month of completion of the requirements for the award of the degree. The Ministry will only consider requests to extend the scholarship in instances where it is absolutely necessary. Strict conditions will apply. • The Ministry will not provide any letter of non-objection to work in a foreign country on the completion of the programme of study. • All terms and conditions of the award will be subject to the laws and practices of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. • Scholars will be required to adhere to the laws and practices in the foreign jurisdiction where they reside. • All regulations concerning immigration and visas are set by the Government of the relevant country of study and are outside of the control of the Ministry.
<p>Scholarship Procedure</p>	<p>Final award of scholarships will be made when the Cabinet approves the scholarship and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) advises of the selected candidates. Applicants will be notified as indicated above. The scholarship will be governed by a legally binding Scholarship Agreement. A duly executed Scholarship Agreement along with other scholarship policies shall be the binding authority between the recipient of a scholarship and the Trinidad and Tobago Government. Please go to our website at www.scholarships.gov.tt to review additional scholarship information. Successful applicants will also be managed by the policy and procedures of JICA.</p>
<p>Role of the GoRTT</p>	<p>The nominating Government is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disseminating information on the scholarships

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring that all applications are completed according to requirements • Ensuring that only qualified applicants are shortlisted • Nominating only the most suitable among the applicants • Assisting successful candidates in their departure and • Monitoring the candidate's adherence to the conditions as stipulated in the Scholarship Master Agreement.
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A. FUNDING

(a) The Governments of Japan and Chile will pay/provide:

- i. Tuition and compulsory fees (as indicated by the academic institution)
- ii. Monthly Accommodation
- iii. Personal Allowance
- iv. Book Allowance
- v. Equipment Allowance
- vi. Life, Health and Accident Insurance

(b) The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago will pay:

- i. Salary Allowance (applicable to **Permanently Appointed Public Officers Only**)
- ii. Round Trip Economy Class Air Ticket
- iii. Supplemental Allowances intended to bring a scholar up to par with other scholars studying locally and/or abroad

B. ELIGIBILITY:

To apply for this scholarship, applicants must:

- (a) Be citizens of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and must not be a permanent resident of any other country.
- (b) Possess the following:
 - i. An Engineering Bachelor's degree with Second Class Honours (Upper Division) or a GPA of 3.00 in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI, or equivalent
 - ii. At least two (2) years related working experience
- (c) Provide proof of acceptance to Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile (PCU)
 - i. Have attained Grades I or II in CAPE Spanish (Units I & II) or Grades A or B in GCE A-Level Spanish, or equivalent

- ii. Possess at least a B2 – C2 Level in Spanish from the Common European Framework of Languages
- (d) Be between the ages of 18-55

C. REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Applicants must ensure that two (2) Recommendations are submitted **electronically** by their Recommenders:
 - (i) One must be an academic recommendation;
 - (ii) One must be from an employer attesting; and
 - (iii) Recommenders must attest to the candidate's ability to perform and to succeed as a scholarship recipient by providing relevant and practical examples where applicable. They must also describe the contribution and likely impact the candidate will have on the institution/community/country.

Recommenders must sign, scan and upload their recommendations to the candidate's online application.

- (b) Applicants for this degree programme must prepare and submit a Study Plan **electronically** of no more than **750 words**, which:
 - (i) Demonstrate that you have knowledge of the industry/sector
 - (ii) Justify how this programme will be of benefit to the country
 - (iii) Demonstrate how your educational background and experience can help you maximize the benefit of being exposed to this programme of study
 - (iv) Discuss how your exposure to the programme of study will allow you to make an impact (medium and long term) on the goals and objectives of Trinidad and Tobago's National Development Plan – Vision 2030

D. SELECTION CRITERIA:

- (a) Applicants will be assessed and recommended for a scholarship based on the following:
 - (i) Academic Merit
 - (ii) Quality and content of Study Plan
 - (iii) Work and Volunteer Experience
 - (iv) Interview

Candidates must attain a minimum score of 50% at the interview in order to be considered for selection for a scholarship.

E. EXTRA INFORMATION

(i) **Chilean Agency of International Cooperation for Development – AGCID:**

Website: www.agcid.cl

Email: agencia@agci.gob.cl

(ii) **Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile**

Online Application: www.masterieg.puc.cl

Kindly note that the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago is responsible for the nomination of suitable candidates and this does not in any way guarantee selection or placement for this scholarship.

Applicants must upload the following documents to their ‘Online’ application:

- Copies of Academic Certificates, Degrees or Diplomas
- Proof of acceptance to the Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile (PCU)
- Copy of Birth Certificate (with affidavit where necessary)
- Copy of Proof of Change of Name (where necessary)
- Copy of relevant bio data page from valid Trinidad and Tobago Passport. If this is not available, a copy of Electoral Identification Card (back and front)
- Persons born outside of Trinidad and Tobago must provide evidence of citizenship (copy) and residency
- Applicants who are Public Officers must upload a signed letter from their Permanent Secretary/Head of Department indicating that they have no disciplinary matters pending
- Any further documents which you prepared and which provides greater insight into your research proposal

Please Note:

- All originals must be produced upon request.
- Applicants must ensure that their information on the attached/uploaded documents are legible at a zoom ratio of 100%. Applicants **must not submit documents in ‘Zip Folders’**. Each document should be uploaded in the relevant field on the upload page. Please ensure that your documents are legible by opening and checking the quality of the document before submitting your application online. Applications with documents which are illegible, cannot be verified and will therefore not be processed.

Applicants must ensure that their transcripts are sent directly to the following address:-

**Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Education
(Scholarships and Advanced Training Division)
Level 10, Education Towers
5 St. Vincent Street
Port-of-Spain**

Attention: Selections Secretariat

Applicants who wish to hand deliver their transcripts must ensure it bears the seal of the academic institution and submitted to the Selections Secretariat.

Transcripts must be received before the closing date of the scholarship for your application to be considered:

DEADLINE DATE FOR APPLICATION: November 14, 2018 @ 4:00PM

For further information please go to our website at www.scholarships.gov.tt or contact the office at telephone numbers 622-2181, ext. 1943, 1912, 1945 or email scholarshipenquiries@moe.gov.tt

[Click here to access the application](#)

Important Notice:

If you are returning to your application, please go to the scholarships website at www.scholarships.gov.tt and click on SATIS Login to continue your application