Those who meet any one of the following conditions are ineligible. If identified ineligible after being selected as a scholarship student, he /she must withdraw from the scholarship.

- ① Those who are military personnel or military civilian employees at the time of their arrival in Japan or during the period of the payment of the scholarship;
- 2 Those who cannot arrive in Japan by the period designated by MEXT or the accepting university;
- ③ Those who are previous grantees of Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship programs (including those who withdraw from the scholarship program after the arrival in Japan), but does not have educational research experience exceeding more than three years from the month following the final payment of the previous scholarship to the month when the payment of this scholarship begins. This does not apply to the past grantees of Japanese Studies scholarship nor Japan-Korea Joint Government Scholarship Program for the Students in Science and Engineering Departments who have graduated or are going to graduate from universities in their home countries and past participants in the Young Leaders Program. The MEXT Honors Scholarship is not one of the MEXT Scholarship Programs;
- (4) Those who are already enrolled in a Japanese university with a residence status of "Student," or who are going to be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in a Japanese university as a privately-financed international student from the time of application to the MEXT scholarship program in the their home country until the commencement of the period for payment of the MEXT scholarship. However, this stipulation does not apply to privately-financed international students who, even though they are enrolled, or are planning to enroll, in a Japanese university, verifiably complete their studies before the start of the scholarship payment period, return to their home country at the time of the scholarship application, and newly acquire the "Student" residence status and come to Japan;
- (5) Those who are planning to receive scholarship money from an organization other than MEXT (including a government organization of their home country) on top of the scholarship money provided by MEXT after the start of the scholarship payment period;
- 6 Those who are expected to graduate at the time of application and cannot satisfy the qualifications and the conditions related to academic background by the deadline given;
- 7 Holders of dual nationality at the time of application who cannot verify that they will give up Japanese nationality by the time of the arrival in Japan; or
- (8) Those who change their residence status to that of other than "Student" after their arrival in Japan.
- 9 Those whose main aim is to engage in fieldwork or an internship in a country other than Japan after submission of Application;
- (10) Those who have completed a doctoral course and have no intention to obtain a degree.