



2013

American College of Surgeons Traveling Fellowship to Japan

The International Relations Committee of the American College of Surgeons announces the availability of the ACS Traveling Fellowship to Japan.

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is June 1, 2012.
The successful applicant and an alternate will be selected and notified by November 1, 2012.

Purpose

The purpose of this fellowship is to encourage international exchange of surgical scientific information. The ACS Traveling Fellow will visit Japan, and a Japanese Traveling Fellow will visit North America.

Basic Requirements

The scholarship is available to a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons in most of the surgical specialties who meets the following requirements:

- Has a major interest and accomplishment in clinical and basic science related to surgery
- Holds a current full-time academic appointment in Canada or the United States
- Is under 45 years of age on the date the application is filed
- Is enthusiastic, personable, and possesses good communication skills

Activities

The Fellow is required to spend a minimum of two weeks in Japan.

- To attend and participate in the annual meeting of the Japan Surgical Society, which will be held in Fukuoka, Japan, April 11–13, 2013
- To attend the Japan ACS Chapter meeting during that congress
- To visit at least two medical centers (other than the annual meeting city) in Japan before or after the annual meeting of the Japan Surgical Society to lecture and to share clinical and scientific expertise with the local surgeons

The academic and geographic aspects of the itinerary would be finalized in consultation and mutual agreement between the Fellow and designated representatives of the Japan Surgical Society and the Japan ACS Chapter. The surgical centers to be visited would depend to some extent on the special interests and expertise of the Fellow and his or her previously established professional contacts with surgeons in Japan.

His or her spouse is welcome to accompany the successful applicant. There will be opportunities for social interaction, in addition to professional activities.

Financial Support

The College will provide the sum of \$7,500 U.S. to the successful applicant, who will also be exempted from registration fees for the annual meeting of the Japan Surgical Society.

He/she must meet all travel and living expenses. Senior Japan Surgical Society and Japan ACS Chapter representatives will consult with the Fellow about the centers to be visited in Japan, the local arrangements for each center, and other advice and recommendations about travel schedules. The Fellow is to make his/her own travel arrangements in North America, as this makes available to him/her reduced fares and travel packages for travel in Japan.

The American College of Surgeons International Relations Committee will select the Fellow after review and evaluation of the final applications. A personal interview may be requested prior to the final selection.

Applications for this traveling fellowship may be obtained from the College's website <http://www.facs.org/memberservices/research.html> or by writing to the International Liaison Section at the address listed below.



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Please send applications for this fellowship to:

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