The University of Zambia - Hokkaido University, Japan International Veterinary and Conservation Medicine Education Program (IVCMEP)

Application Guideline 2024

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1. Introduction

This program is a student exchange program among Hokkaido University (HU), the University of Zambia (UNZA) and other African universities with following features.

Promotion of Conservation Medicine

This program is based on the concept of One Health, which considers environmental changes caused by human activities and associated health problems as issues not only for humans but also for animals, ecosystems, and the entire planet.

Open for all fields of students

The practice of conservation medicine requires collaboration among diverse specialties as well as international perspectives. We offer a curriculum that allows students from many academic fields to

participate.

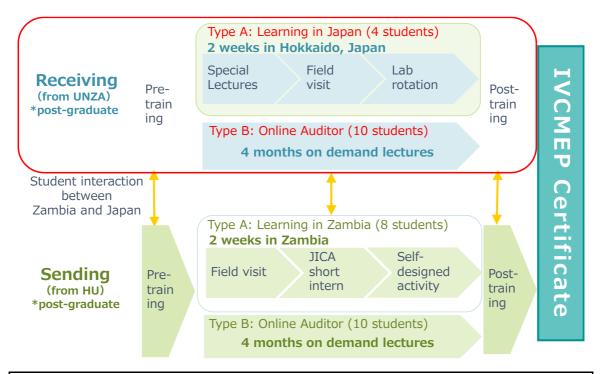
• Advanced learning of conservation medicine

Japan has experienced rapid economic growth followed by environmental and health crises and has subsequently overcome most of them with social countermeasures, science, and technology. Training and lectures to learn from the history and current advancing technologies regarding health and environmental management are offered in this programme.

• Promoting cross-cultural understanding and collaboration

We will also strive to foster an understanding of African and Japanese culture, with the aim of developing human resources who will contribute to building friendly international partnerships between Zambia and Japan, and ultimately between Africa and Japan.

2. Program Overview



NOTE

- 1) Applicants will be assigned to either Type A(travel) or B(online) in the selection process.
- 2) Both students of Type A and B are eligible to be entitled with IVCMEP certification.

Type A: Learning in Japan

① Pre-training

[Term] 3 days in total before trip during June-July 2024 [Activities]

- Japanese language and culture
- On-line workshop with students and lecturers at Hokkaido University

*Offered as a 0.5-credit exercise as a common graduate school course "Sub-Saharan Intercultural Studies I."

2 Learning in Japan

[Term] 2 weeks in July 2024 (tentative schedule July 5th-21st, subject to change)
[Activities]

- Participation in special seminars and intensive lectures at Hokkaido University
- Laboratory rotations and thematic research at Hokkaido University
- Field exercises on wildlife and eco-system conservation
- Field exercises on environmental management in mining industry

*Offered as a two-credit exercise as a common graduate school course "International Veterinary and Conservation Medicine Education Program I & II."

3 Follow-up training

[Term] 2 days in total after the trip in October 2024

[Activities]

- Achievement presentation
- On-line workshop with students and faculties at Hokkaido University
- Field exercise on conservation medicine in Zambia with Japanese students in August.

*Offered as a 0.5-credit exercise as a common graduate school course "Sub-Saharan Intercultural Studies I."

Type B: Online Special Auditor

① Pre-training

[Term] 3 days to be determined in June to July 2024

[Activities]

- Japanese language and culture
- On-line workshop with students and lecturers at Hokkaido University

*Offered as a 0.5-credit exercise as a common graduate school course "Sub-Saharan Intercultural Studies I."

② Online lecture

[Term] July to October in 2024

[Activities]

- On demand lectures provided by Hokkaido University (Free design)
 - > Chemical Hazard Control Expert
 - Special lectures on Conservation Medicine
 - > Special lectures on Zoonosis Control
 - > Special lectures on Remediation of Environmental Contamination

*Offered as a two-credit exercise as a common graduate school course "International Veterinary and Conservation Medicine Education Program I & II."

3 Follow-up training

[Term] 2 days to be determined in October 2024 [Activities]

On-line workshop with students and faculty at Hokkaido University
 *Offered as a 0.5-credit exercise as a common graduate school course "Sub-Saharan Intercultural Studies II."

3. Maximum Number of Students

- Type A Learning in Japan: 4 students
- Type B Online Special Auditor: 10 students

4. Application Qualifications

- Master's and doctoral students at the University of Zambia
- Students in any academic field of humanities or sciences can apply

5. Application and Selection Process

 Application Guideline and formats for required documents are available on our website

(https://africa.vetmed.hokudai.ac.jp/en/admission.html)

- 2) Student applications, with required documents, opens in February 2024
- Submission of required documents to IVCMEP committee at UNZA by March 19th, 2024

Person in charge: Dr. Kaampwe Muzandu, see below for details.

- 4) Student selection by the IVCMEP committee at UNZA
- 5) Notification of result to students in April 2024
- Application documents of selected students' submission to HU via IVCMEP committee in UNZA

6. Required Documents

Submit these documents by e-file to Dr. Kaampwe Muzandu <u>kmuzandu@unza.zm</u> by March 19th, 2024.

- ① Application form 【Form 1】(with your signature / scanned PDF)
- ② Curriculum Vitae 【Form 2】 (with your signature / scanned PDF)
- 3 Official transcript of your academic record in the previous academic year. If the record for the entire year is not available, submit the one for the previous term. (scanned PDF)
- 4 Recommendation letter from the supervisor at the home institution (with signature by your supervisor / scanned PDF)
- ⑤ Photograph
 (Taken within three months of the date of application. 3cm×2.4cm / JPEG or PDF)
- 6 Official document that proves your nationality (e.g. Photocopy of passport or National Registration Card / scanned PDF)
- 7 Short essay [Form 3] (Microsoft Word file)

*NOTE: The original documents for ① to ④ should also be submitted to Dr. Kaampwe Muzandu by March 26th ,2024.

7. Student Selection

Four students will be assigned to Type A, while others will be offered to join in Type B. Selection will be done based on your essay and academic record by UNZA school meeting.

8. Handling of Personal Information

Personal information provided in the submitted documents will be used only for this selection process and will not be used for any other purpose.

9. Travel Precautions

- 1) Travel expenses including airfare and accommodation will be covered by the program.
- 2) Valid passport is required to apply for Japanese VISA. Please check and obtain the necessary certificates and take renewal procedures by yourself.

10. Application opportunity for a scholarship (for Type A students who travel to Japan)

Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) is offering scholarship for IVCMEP students. Travel cost including Visa application fee and your food and dairy expenses can be covered by this scholarship. The evaluation on eligibility is done based on the submitted academic record.

11. COVID-19

Decisions on cancelation of travel and alternative program will be made according to the policies of the government of Zambia and Japan. Three doses of the vaccine and obtaining official certificate of vaccination are compulsory, as it is a condition for entry into countries or for shortening the quarantine procedure.

12. Contact

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