JAB-IAB Fellowship Fund

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1. Aim

Based upon the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Japan Association for Bioethics (JAB) and International Association of Bioethics (IAB), the JAB-IAB Fellowship Fund, which is paid by JAB, invites one of IAB’s members to attend the annual JAB conference for the purpose of enhancing international exchange and collaboration between IAB and JAB members.

2. Intended conference

The 37th Annual JAB Conference 2025 will be held on November 22nd and 23rd, 2025 at Morioka Civic Cultural Hall (3-minutes walk from JR Morioka Station using the East-West Free Passage (Sansa Komichi). Map URL: [https://maps.app.goo.gl/eYMyJd5VwweVccXu8](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmaps.app.goo.gl%2FeYMyJd5VwweVccXu8&data=05%7C02%7C%7C0868a896ba804ef03eba08dd907467e8%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638825551810815184%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=rqcxQuBqaF9eaMu9%2FKtDPtd2%2B%2FKz67JeXz2OpAMmjpA%3D&reserved=0)) and Iwate University of Health and Medical Science (5-minute walk from JR Morioka Station West Exit, and it is next to Aiina which is the Iwate Prefecture Citizens' Cultural Exchange Center, Google map: [https://maps.app.goo.gl/kMk9NSGVS9nHkAsFA](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmaps.app.goo.gl%2FkMk9NSGVS9nHkAsFA&data=05%7C02%7C%7C0868a896ba804ef03eba08dd907467e8%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638825551810832442%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=QA%2B3j6TPFNHiPsVNuNlmL8YlmZCwNmsZysUJeXG45mM%3D&reserved=0)) located in Iwate Prefecture.

3. Application Requirements and conditions

To be eligible for the JAB-IAB Fellowship Fund, applicants must meet the following requirements and agree in writing to the following conditions.

1. Applicants must be current IAB members in good standing.
2. All IAB members are eligible, but special consideration will be given to those who received their doctorate or professional degree within the past 5 years.
3. Along with the application form, applicants must submit an abstract for the 37th Annual JAB Conference 2025 by the due date (details are in session 7 “Submission and deadline” below).
4. By submitting the application form, applicants agree to maintain IAB membership through the end-date of the JAB conference, present a paper and chair a 2-3 hours session in English at the same JAB conference, and submit a short report (500 words limit) within 30 days of the conference’s ending. (Per the MOU, IAB will verify IAB membership of applicants.)
5. All applicants will be reviewed either solely by the JAB’s existing committee for international collaboration, or jointly by the JAB’s existing committee for international and a selected member of IAB. The Fund will be granted to one applicant only.

4. Amount of JAB-IAB Fellowship Fund and Payment

1. The awardee of the JAB-IAB Fellowship Fund will be paid the actual expenses up to a maximum of 300,000 JPY (approximately 2,000 USD depending on exchange rates).
2. The fund will be paid in cash to the awardee following completion of participation at the JAB conference with a signed receipt by the awardee.
3. The fund is designated for purpose of reimburses expenses associated with preparing for and attending the 37th Annual JAB Conference 2025, including: 1) travel expenses (flight and ground transportation), 2) accommodation at the conference venue in Morioka and travel expenses to Morioka, Iwate, 3) international travel insurance fee, 4) other necessary expenses related to participation at the intended conference at the approval of JAB’s international committee. Note that the booking of flights and accommodations etc. should be made by the awardee himself/herself. The awardee is required to submit the above receipts (receipts can be sent by email in PDF format).
4. The JAB conference registration fee will be waived.

5. Obligation of Awardee

The awardee of the JAB-IAB Fellowship Fund is obliged to:

1. Present a 20 minutes paper at the 37th Annual JAB Conference 2025 in English.
2. Chair a 2-3 hours session in English at the same JAB conference, including speaker introductions and moderating the session and Q&A, and posing questions for each speaker when necessary.
3. Submit a short report (500-word limit) to the IAB Board of Directors and the JAB Boards of Director within 30 days after the conference’s end. The report should indicate how the experience attending the JAB conference might be useful for the awardee’s future research, teaching, or other professional activities.

6. Selection Policy

Evaluation of applicants will be based on the caliber of the submitted abstract, and its relevance to attendees at a future JAB conference. In addition, high marks will be granted for original and well-reasoned submission.

7. Submission and deadline

1. Applicants must submit the application form including an abstract of 300-500 words. <https://forms.gle/j4hwNEiMezEUH4SF9>
2. **The submission deadline is 23:59 JST Sunday, June 15th, 2025.**
3. All application forms will be reviewed either solely by the committee for international collaboration of JAB, or jointly by the committee for international collaboration of JAB and a selected member of IAB. The review process will be completed within 30 days after the submission deadline. Upon approval of the JAB Board of Directors, the selection committee will directly notify the result to the IAB Board first, and then the applicant. Notification to applicants will occur in writing following IAB Board notification. JAB aims to provide applicant notification within 2 months from the submission deadline.

Answers to applicant questions should be addressed to the Committee for International Collaboration of JAB office: international@ja-bioethics.jp