

FINANCING OPTIONS TO JOIN JEMARO

ERASMUS MUNDUS JOINT MASTER DEGREES

Japan-Europe Master on Advanced Robotics: JEMARO



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1. INTRODUCTION



JEMARO, as an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree, receives hundreds of applications every year from students eager to study robotics in Europe and Japan.

However, as you may know, Erasmus Mundus Scholarships rely on grants obtained from the European Commission and those grants have an expiration date. Additionally, even when the grant period is still active, there are very few Erasmus Mundus Scholarships available, as those are limited in number and awarded on identified criteria such as academic performance, nationality, place of residence, etc.

We, as a consortium, are convinced that there are bright students deserving to join JEMARO all over the world, and want to give them all the support we can to relieve the financial investment joining such a programme represents.

You will find in this guidebook several scholarship programs or ways to finance your studies while studying in France, Italy, Poland or Japan. Please note that the incentives listed here are not guaranteed and are not meant to cover all the expenses related to the programme, their purpose is rather to be financially relieved during your mobility abroad. The information given here is non exhaustive and will be updated on a regular basis. If you know about an opportunity that is not listed here, feel free to share it with JEMARO Management Office on jemaro@ec-nantes.fr

2. WHAT BUDGET TO EXPECT?

First things first: how much money do you reasonably need to join JEMARO?

The programme is 2-year long with one year in Europe and one year in Japan, therefore depending on where you are from, there may be some variations. Ask you local coordinator if there are any **key dates** that require your presence before making any plans.

As a Management Office, we can tell you that you **are expected to arrive in September** in your M1 host country, and remain there until the JEMARO Days are over (usually **by July 15**th, dates will be communicated in the autumn).



For your M2, Keio University will advise you to arrive during the check-in periods of the residences, usually a bit before **mid-September**. You are expected to remain in Japan until your thesis defense, usually by the **end of July**.

The amounts you will find below are indicators. We took into account that as an international student you might want to experience social and cultural life in your host countries. You can of course always



live with less money than indicated if you are extra careful. For the M1, it is to be noted that the cost of life in Warsaw is more affordable than in Genoa or Nantes (here 700€/month is the budget we recommend to live in Nantes).

Regarding the indicators for travelling, they will of course vary depending on what continent your are coming from and where you are travelling to. Our Japanese students will have less travel costs during the second year as it is in Japan. A general rule of thumbs you can apply is that anticipation is key regarding travelling expenses.

The expected travelling costs given below are for one roundtrip from your place to your host country (arrival in September, departure after mid-July in M1, after thesis defense in M2).

	Description	Average amount needed		
Year	Student category	Partner country	Programme country	Students with Keio entrance examination
	Tuition fees	€9,000	€4,500	Keio tuition fees
M1	Travel	€1,000	€250	€1,000
	Cost of living	€7,700 (€700/month for 11 months)		
	Miscellaneous	€500		
	Tuition fees	€9,000	€4,500	Keio tuition fees
M2	Travel	€1,200	€1,200	€0
	Cost of living	€9600 (€800/month for 12 months)		
	Miscellaneous	€500		
M1 + M2	Total	€38,500	€28,750	€19,300 + Keio tuition fees



3. CONSORTIUM SCHOLARSHIPS

Whether or not the EU funding and Erasmus Mundus Scholarships are active, the Consortium Scholarships will be running as usual, as they are awarded directly by the Consortium, on its own funds.

The Consortium Scholarships, referred to as « CS », consist in a **reduction of tuition fees**, awarded by the EU institutions (Centrale Nantes, University of Genoa and Warsaw University of Technology) to the top selected students.

Typically, when the Erasmus Mundus Scholarships are active, the Consortium



Scholarships are awarded to the top applicants ranked right after the Erasmus Mundus Scholarship Holders. Consequently, when the Erasmus Mundus Scholarships are not active, Consortium Scholarships are awarded to the top applicants.

The amounts of the scholarships vary depending on the student category (partner or programme).

Students who passed Keio admission and examination process are not eligible to receive consortium scholarships.

Each EU institution may award one consortium scholarship of each type (see types below) per intake, so there can be a maximum of 12 CS per intake. The exact number of scholarships available per intake are determined during the selection meeting held annually.

	Partner country student tuition fees : €18,000	Programme country student Tuition fees : €9,000
Consortium Scholarship (top 3 students)	€9,000 tuition fee discount <i>Type 1</i>	€5,000 tuition fee discount <i>Type 2</i>
Consortium Scholarship (next top 3 students)	€5,000 tuition fee discount <i>Type 3</i>	€3,000 tuition fee discount Type 4



4. EXISTING OPPORTUNITIES AT CENTRALE NANTES

Campus France

First step is to go on Campus France Scholarship Catalogue to see if your local French Embassy has scholarship programs to study in France https://campusbourses.campusfrance.org/#/catalog

You can also contact directly your local Campus France Agency (they are often based in the Embassies/consulates or local Institut Français of your country): https://www.campusfrance.org/en



Examples of scholarship programs managed by Campus France: PTDF (Nigeria), Charpak master (India)...

Centrale Nantes Foundation support programmes

You will have more information about these programmes on the student Intranet, after your arrival in Centrale Nantes.

The Centrale Nantes Foundation's 'international mobility' grant, for students who already receive a subsistence grant, is awarded according to the student's academic and financial situation and the type of mobility.

The Foundation determines each calendar year the amount of the grants that can be awarded, and the type of payment, in one or several instalments.

Applications are generally submitted between 1 November (n-1) and 30 April (n) for a mobility commencing on 1 July (n).

Erasmus+ mobility funding

During your M1, you will have the possibility to apply for Erasmus+ mobility funding at Centrale Nantes International Relations Office to support your M2 mobility in Japan. After your arrival in Nantes, you can contact international@ec-nantes.fr about the procedure to apply.

Teaching Assistant Positions (to be confirmed in 2024)

Teaching Assistant Positions will be opened to the top students of some courses. These TA will support the professors during the second semester lab and group project, in exchange of remuneration. You may enquire about those to your programme supervisor when the courses start in September.



5. EXISTING OPPORTUNITIES AT UNIVERSITY OF GENOA

ALISEO

ALISEO is the Regional Agency for students and guidance of Liguria (the Italian region where Genoa is located). As a University of Genoa student, this Agency can support you in different ways, for instance with economis benefits or University Scholarships for students, application timeframe is usually between June and July. More information on: https://www.aliseo.liguria.it/foreign-students/

6. EXISTING OPPORTUNITIES AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

NAWA

One of the basic objectives of **NAWA** is initiating and supporting student mobility. This objective is to be implemented by means of founding programmes aiming at enhancing the level of internationalisation of the Polish higher education institutions, as well as enabling Polish students to gain international experience.

NAWA offers both **outgoing** (for Polish students) and **incoming** programmes (for non Polish students). More information on: https://nawa.gov.pl/en/students





7. EXISTING OPPORTUNITIES AT KEIO UNIVERSITY

7.1. For non-Japanese students:

At the end of your M1, you will be in touch with your administrative contacts at Keio University, they can help you to get more information about the following scholarships that can be applied for in English and were obtained by JEMARO students from previous intakes (as of 2023):

Keio Graduate School Scholarship

500,000 JPY per year

MEXT Top Global University Scholarship

145,000 JPY per month for half a year

Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship offered by JASSO for Privately Financed International Students

48,000 JPY per month for half a year

7.2. For Japanese students:

Your local contacts at Keio will guide you about the existing financial aids to support your mobility in Europe. Over the previous intakes, the following scholarships were obtained by several students (as of 2023):

JASSO scholarship will be available for 2024 based on the applications submitted by Keio University. Many other scholarships that can be applied for in Japanese are also open for application.

JASSO Scholarship

80,000 JPY (70,000 JPY for Poland) per month

Keio ST Global Fund

400,000 JPY per year





8. GENERAL ADVICE AND DISCLAIMER

The consortium members are always keen on helping out the students. Make sure you always maintain good communication with your local contacts, of course by email, but also at their office. You should always feel free to reach out to your local administrative contacts if you have doubts or would like guidance on scholarship or funding opportunities.

When it comes to funding, **anticipation is always the key!** Make sure you plan ahead and that you seek for information early enough not to miss any scholarship application deadline.

As explained in the introduction, the list of opportunities listed here is neither exhaustive, nor is it guaranteed. This guidebook purpose is to raise awareness about some incentives, but in the end, you are, as a student, responsible for planning a budget and your two years in the programme.

