

AP Japanese Language and Culture Professional Development Workshop Stipend

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program[®] through a generous grant from the Japan Foundation Los Angeles is offering financial assistance to participate in a full day workshop for AP[®] Japanese Language and Culture held in conjunction with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Annual Convention in San Diego, CA. The AP Japanese workshop is a pre-conference workshop to be held on Thursday, November 19, 2009 from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Financial assistance in the amount of \$330.00 will cover fees for the AP Japanese workshop, as well as registration for the ACTFL convention November 20—22, 2009. To attend the workshop, participants must register for the convention.

About the Workshop

In this College Board workshop, participants will engage in a professional exchange of ideas surrounding the AP Japanese Language and Culture course. Participants will examine 2009 Free Response Questions, scoring guidelines, and related samples. Participants will discuss appropriate classroom materials, learn techniques and content-specific strategies that can be incorporated into the AP classroom to help students prepare to be successful in their AP course work, consider AP curriculum and syllabus development, and become acquainted with resources to support AP teachers. Portions of this workshop will be conducted in Japanese. Special Focus: Instructional Strategies to Increase Interpersonal Communication. Continuing Education Units are available for workshop participants. Further information about AP Japanese Language and Culture can be found at www.apcentral.collegeboard.com.

About the Presenter

This workshop will be presented by Dr. Hiroko Kataoka, professor of Japanese at California State University, Long Beach. Dr. Kataoka has been teaching Japanese language courses for 34 years, and Japanese teacher training courses for 20 years. She also served as chief academic specialist at the Japan Foundation Los Angeles Language Center from 1998-2001, assisting and cooperating extensively with K-12 teachers. Dr. Kataoka is the 2007 winner of ACTFL's Florence Steiner Award for Leadership. She has given numerous workshops throughout the US and in Japan on OPI, proficiency-oriented instruction, Standards for Foreign Language Learning, the AP Japanese Language and Culture Exam, and other pedagogy-related issues. She has also served on many regional and national committees and boards, including the Japanese National Standards Task Force (chair), AP Japanese Task Force, and the board of directors for ATJ, AATJ, and NCJLT.

About the Convention

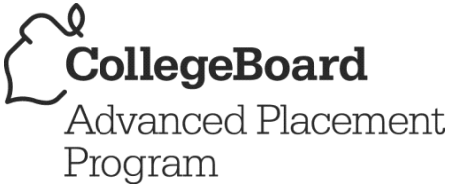
The Annual Convention and World Languages Expo of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) will be held Friday, November 20 through Sunday, November 22, 2009 in San Diego, CA with Pre-Convention Workshops scheduled on Thursday, November 19. The ACTFL Convention features over 500 educational sessions and events covering the whole spectrum of the foreign language profession. The entire selection of sessions is designed to provide attendees with an exciting array of sessions and events to further their knowledge and help them be better teachers or administrators. The convention draws approximately 6,000 attendees and is the only national event bringing together all languages, levels and assignments within the profession. Further information about the convention can be found at www.actfl.org.

Application Process

Up to 15 stipends will be awarded. To qualify you must currently teach Japanese in a secondary school. Interested individuals must submit an application packet that includes:

- a completed application form
- a current resume or curriculum vitae
- a letter of application which should include a description of the benefits of this professional development opportunity

Application packets should be sent to Keith Cothrun, Associate Director, World Languages and Cultures via email kcothrun@collegeboard.org or via fax (770) 225-4062. **Deadline for application is September 25, 2009.** No late applications will be accepted. Applications will be reviewed with award or rejection decisions made by October 1, 2009. Stipend recipients must pay convention and workshop registration fees and will be reimbursed \$330.00 upon successful completion of the workshop and submission of a short report of their professional development experience.



AP Japanese Language and Culture Workshop Stipend Application

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Applicant Information (Please print or type all information)

Name: _____

School Name: _____

School Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____

School Phone: _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Years teaching Japanese: _____ Total years teaching: _____

How many students are enrolled in a Japanese language course in your school? _____

I presently teach an AP Japanese Language and Culture course: Yes No

I am considering teaching an AP Japanese Language and Culture course: Yes No

I have previously attended a workshop or summer institute for AP Japanese: Yes No

If yes, when: _____ where: _____

I understand that to be eligible, I must currently teach Japanese in a secondary school. I also understand that submitting this application does not guarantee that a stipend will be awarded.

Signature: _____ Date: _____