

Mexico-Japan Exchange Program for the Strategic Global Partnership

Information for applicants

1. Course Title

Conservation, Restoration and Protection of Archaeological Heritage In Situ in Mexico

2. Name of Mexican Organization:

National Institute of Anthropology and History (INAH)

3. Brief Profile of the Organization and the Department that will receive the Japanese trainees.

The National Institute of Anthropology and History (INAH) has the mission to investigate, preserve and divulgate Mexico's archaeological, anthropological, historical and paleontological heritage, to strengthen the identity and memory of Mexican society.

INAH's main objectives and aims are: to develop research excellence in order to contribute to the knowledge of national culture; to promote technical and legal protection of cultural heritage, in order to guarantee its proper preservation; to implement, monitor and enforce cultural heritage conservation policies to ensure proper preservation actions; train professionals of academic excellence that contribute to the research, preservation and divulgation of Mexican archaeological, anthropological, historical and paleontological heritage; to strengthen cultural offering and infrastructure under INAH's custody, for the benefit of citizenship; to develop a policy of information and divulgation to bring archaeological, anthropological, historical and paleontological heritage closer to society.

The National Institute through National Coordination of Cultural Heritage Conservation (CNCPC), it's also the national agency in charge of movable cultural heritage conservation (paleontological, archaeological and historical).

4. Course dates:

From August 27th to September 11th, 2018

5. Field of the Training Program:

Archaeological conservators: restorers, archaeologists and/or architects, and managers of cultural heritage.

6. Course Objective:

Instruct the participants on the context in which archaeological conservation is developed in Mexico, how we deal with the current challenges around structures and objects on site and the research lines that are being followed within CNCPC projects.

7. Tentative Course Program

- Archaeological heritage in Mexico. Current and future challenges
- Guidelines and regulations for the conservation of archaeological heritage in Mexico
- Preventive conservation in architectural and decorative finishes of archaeological sites
- Conservation treatments for archaeological heritage in Mexico
- Research lines focused in the conservation of archaeological sites

8. Tentative Schedule of the Training Program

Week 1 / Mexico City

- Welcome session (Mexico City).
- Theoretical background: presentation of case studies, lectures and discussion sessions (Mexico City)
- Visits to INAH's archaeological and conservation research facilities in Templo Mayor (Mexico City).
- Visits to archaeological sites (Mexico).

Week 2 / Mexico City and Teotihuacan-Acolman (State of Mexico)

- Theoretical background: presentation of case studies, lectures and discussion sessions (Mexico City)
- Visits to archaeological sites (Mexico).
- Farewell session (Mexico City).

9. Trainees profile (academic, professional, linguistic, others)

Academic Background	The course is suited to late phase Master students, faculty professors and academic staff of universities, directors of archaeological sites, directors of research centers, and government officials, with a medium practice in archaeology, heritage management and conservation.
Work Experience	Archaeological conservation, restoration, architectural conservation and cultural heritage management.
Years of Experience	More than three (3) years of practical experience.
Language Proficiency	English Scores: TOEIC: 700 pts TOEFL PBT: 500 TOEFL IBT: 90 IELTS: 6

10. Dress code

Casual, comfortable for walking and visiting archaeological sites and museums.