

To International students studying in Japan

# 6th ESSAY COMPETITION 2019

● In English or Japanese

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY & GUIDELINE

Nationality, Student status, and Ceremony Attendance Requirements.

For more details, please refer to FALIA website

1st Prize ¥500,000 for one piece

2nd Prize ¥300,000 for one piece

3rd Prize ¥100,000 for several pieces

Effort Award ¥50,000 for several pieces

Ten applicants will have a chance to receive a ¥5,000 bookstore gift certificate.

**THEME : Any topics that are relevant to life insurance.**

We expect that many students who study insurance schemes or even those who are unfamiliar with insurance will challenge themselves to enter this competition with their rich imaginations and free ideas.

We accept a wide variety of viewpoints and methodological approaches when it comes to the essays.

## DEADLINE

12-Sep-2019 at 1:00pm

### ABOUT OUR FOUNDATION

Our foundation was established in 1962 supported by The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company.

We provide life insurance seminars mainly in Asia.

Total number of past participants in Japan exceeded 3,900.

In 2014 we started this new program "Essay Competition for international students in Japan".

# 懸賞論文募集



**FALIA** 公益財団法人 国際保険振興会

The Foundation for the Advancement of Life & Insurance Around the World  
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Check our website

<http://www.falia.or.jp/>



**APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

1. Must be an undergraduate or a graduate international student living in Japan whose status of residence is "Student" (留学)
2. As a general rule, must be a national of a country that sends participants to FALIA seminars.  
(Countries which have sent participants to FALIA include Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, South Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Uzbekistan, and Vietnam. For more details, please refer to the FALIA website or inquire directly.)
3. Must still be a student when we hold the award ceremony and must be able to attend it.  
(The award ceremony is scheduled in the beginning of 2019, we will announce the fixed schedule later on our website.)

**GUIDELINES**

1. **Essay must be written in English or Japanese.**
2. Essay must be original and unpublished.
3. Co-authored essays will be accepted, but each member must satisfy the applicant eligibility requirements explained above.
4. Essay must be 4000 words to 5000 words in English, or 4000 to 12000 characters in Japanese.
5. An application form must be sent with the essay.
6. When quoting others, please properly indicate the source. For more details, please refer to FAQ section on our website.  
In case your essay is found to be written in inappropriate manner such as plagiarism, it will result in the cancellation and required reimbursement of the prize.
7. The copyright for all essays entered will be assigned to our foundation.
8. We may introduce winning essays, including details about the authors (name, nationality, university) on our website or by some other method.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Prize winners will be informed directly in December 2019 and publicly announced on our website after the award ceremony in the beginning of 2020.

**JUDGES**

|                         |                     |                    |                          |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| • Chair                 | Professor           | Takau Yoneyama     | Tokyo Keizai University  |
| • Committee members     | Professor           | Haruko Amano       | Japan Women's University |
|                         | Associate Professor | Jin Abe            | Hitotsubashi University  |
| (in alphabetical order) | Professor Emeritus  | Soichiro Moridaira | Keio University          |

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Structure(Format/Style)
  - Clarity of theme and/or research topic
  - Structural development and validity of conclusion
  - Analytical strength
  - Use of appropriate methodology/approach
  - Logic and reasoning
- Contents
  - Originality
  - Academic integrity (no plagiarism)
  - Intangibles (e.g., societal relevance)
- Technical
  - Citations and referencing
  - Readability and presentation (clarity of expression & word choice; language mechanics)

\*We may interview the candidates for the prizes.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. We may use personal information received via this competition solely for our foundation's use.
2. For the award ceremony, we will cover the transportation expenses and accommodation expenses in Japan.

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**CONTACT**

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