

Applying for Financial Support

Generous funding from the Japan Foundation, the Northeast Asian Council of the AAS, and Harvard's Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies will cover the costs of presenting the seminar. The NCC will cover hotel rooms (double-occupancy) and provide a modest per diem to participants for daily meal expenses. Travel grants are also available to participants who need such support. Those who wish to apply for grants are required to seek support from their home institutions or other supplemental sources and to provide an estimate of their travel expenses as part of their program application. While the level of funding available may be adequate for most domestic transportation, international applicants may receive only partial transportation support.

General Outline of Program Schedule and Logistics

Participants should plan to arrive in Cambridge by Saturday, August 17th to take advantage of Saturday night stay-overs which allow for the lowest airfares. Sunday will be a free day for participants to get oriented to Cambridge during which time they may sightsee or visit one of the museums of Harvard University or of the greater Boston area.

The program will officially begin on Sunday evening August 18th with an Opening Session and Keynote Speech by Professor Helen Hardacre of Harvard University who will speak on the subject of *How Faculty and Librarians Can Work More Closely Together in the New Digital Information Age*. The Opening Session will also include a short briefing on the program's schedule and logistics, and will include an informal buffet supper to help trainees and lecturers become better acquainted.

Instructional Sessions will begin on Monday morning August 19th at 9:00 am and will include a series of 90 minute sessions on various topics offered in lecture format, hands-on sessions, and roundtable discussions. The program will also include a series of site visits to the Harvard-Yenching Library, the Documentation Center on Contemporary Japan, the Pusey Map Library, and the library of Harvard Law School. A full schedule of sessions and lecturers will be posted later on this site.

Generally the seminar will run from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm with a break for lunch. Evening sessions may be scheduled as needed or to afford the opportunity for broader site-visits or cultural activities. If no sessions are scheduled, the participant's evening will be free.

The program will conclude on Friday, August 23rd with a closing dinner for trainees and lecturers. Upon successful completion of the program participants will receive a Certificate of Completion and may be matched with a senior Japanese Studies Librarian who will serve as their informal mentor answering questions and providing advice informally, in the future.