

**Japan Chapter  
Calvin Alumni Association  
2008 Scholarship Application**

**About the Scholarship**

The Japan Chapter of the Calvin Alumni Association is pleased to accept applications for its 2008 scholarship program. Through the contributions of area alumni and matching funds provided by Calvin Alumni Association, the Chapter will award scholarships (generally of at least \$1,000 each) to prospective Calvin students. Any student resident in Japan (regardless of nationality) planning to attend Calvin College for the first time in the fall of 2008, as either a freshman or a transfer student, is eligible to apply.

**Selection Criteria**

The Japan Chapter Scholarship Committee, in conjunction with Calvin's Financial Aid office, will select the recipient(s) based upon the following criteria:

- The student must be resident in Japan.
- The student must be accepted to Calvin College by March 14, 2008.
- The award will be based primarily on the following two factors:
  - Academic excellence
  - Need
- In addition, consideration will be given to demonstrated Christian service, personal character and professional promise.
- While the award is generally academic in nature, strong consideration will be given to students not receiving other academic scholarships from Calvin or other sources.

The scholarship recipient(s) will be notified by April 1, 2008.

**Application Instructions**

1. The application deadline is March 15, 2008.
2. Each applicant must ensure that the Scholarship Committee receives the following information by the application deadline:
  - The completed application form
  - Completed reference forms from persons identified in the References section of the application
  - High school transcripts (transfer students should also include college transcripts).
3. Any questions related to the scholarships or the application should be directed to Tom or Michele Postema 1-2-14 Shinkawa cho, Higashi Kurume shi, Tokyo 203-0013 Japan or *tpostema@caj.or.jp*. Completed information should be mailed to the same address.

**About the Applicant**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M F

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address (if appl.): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

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Planned Date of Calvin Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please address the following questions on a separate sheet(s) of paper (typed or printed):

- List or describe as necessary your high school activities and achievements, details of any recent work experience (past 3 years), and church activities or other non-school related activities.
- Briefly describe your educational plans and goals (i.e. profession, major, degree, etc.)
- Provide a brief statement as to why you are considering Christian higher education and Calvin College in particular
- Provide any other information or special circumstances that you believe the Committee should consider

**References**

You must provide references from two people, each of whom should submit a completed recommendation form (see example form attached—please note that this same information may be submitted in another form if more convenient for the person writing the recommendation, but must be signed). At least one of the references must come from a teacher or guidance counselor at school. The other reference may come from someone else of your choosing not related to you. Please provide a listing of references below:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Address</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____ _____ _____
2.	_____	_____	_____ _____ _____

Your references may submit their responses directly to the Calvin Alumni Scholarship Committee (c/o Tom or Michele Postema 1-2-14 Shinkawa cho, Higashi Kurume shi, Tokyo 203-0013 Japan) or references may be submitted, in sealed envelopes, with your application. References must be received prior to March 15, 2008.

**Recommendation Form**  
**Calvin College Alumni Scholarship**

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of the Calvin Alumni Association*

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide your evaluation of the above named applicant for a Calvin Alumni Association scholarship. All replies will be kept confidential.

1. Describe your relationship to the applicant:

2. Applicant's personal character:

3. Applicant's intellectual or academic ability:

Your name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please return the completed form (or submit the requisite information in any manner convenient to you, however the recommendation must be signed) by March 15, 2008 to Tom or Michele Postema, 1-2-14 Shinkawa cho, Higashi Kurume shi, Tokyo 203-0013 Japan.

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