

Trinidadian Student Awarded 2025 MEXT Scholarship

The Government of Japan, through the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, (MEXT), offers scholarships to international students desirous of pursuing postgraduate or research studies at Japanese universities each year. This year, one Trinidadian national has been awarded the prestigious MEXT Scholarship to pursue graduate-level studies in Japan. Ms. Bridget Francis will undertake her studies in the field of Agriculture at Kyoto University with a focus on research related to Sargassum seaweed.

On March 25, 2025, His Excellency Dr. Akima Umezawa, Ambassador of Japan, met with Ms. Francis to congratulate her on receiving the scholarship. During their meeting, they discussed her field of study, and Ambassador Umezawa encouraged her to enjoy her time in Kyoto and experience traditional Japanese culture. Furthermore, he provided valuable advice on navigating Japan's intricate transportation systems to Ms. Francis as she adjusts to her new life.

The MEXT Scholarship Programme continues to provide students with opportunities for exchange, growth, exploration, and academic development. Successful applicants receive round-trip airfare, school fees exemptions, and a monthly allowance. The Embassy of Japan in Trinidad and Tobago is proud to recognize the MEXT Scholarship Programme's role in strengthening the bilateral relations between Japan and Trinidad and Tobago, as well as fostering continued cooperation and exchanges between the two nations.

Please visit the Embassy of Japan Website for more information on the MEXT Scholarship Programme and our daily activities: https://www.tt.emb-japan.go.jp/itprtop_en/index.html



Ambassador Umezawa with Ms. Bridget Francis, 2025 MEXT Scholarship Recipient



Ambassador Umezawa and Ms. Bridget Francis in discussion