

22 May 2025

To students (For students who entered in April 2025 and October 2024)

Trustee (Education) and Vice-President

Applications for the "Kiyoshi and Yumiko Yamaoka Noto Reconstruction Support Fund Scholarship"

We would like to express our heartfelt condolences to those affected by the Noto Peninsula Earthquake of 2024 or Noto torrential rainfall. We pray that all those affected by this disaster will be able to return to their normal lives as soon as possible.

We have now started accepting applications for the "Kiyoshi and Yumiko Yamaoka Noto Reconstruction Support Fund Scholarship", established on the basis of the "Kiyoshi and Yumiko Yamaoka Noto Reconstruction Support Fund with the aim of supporting Kanazawa University students who have been affected by the disaster and who will play a central role in the future reconstruction of Noto, as follows.

Please take advantage of these scholarships and have a meaningful student life.

*The late Dr. Kiyoshi Yamaoka conducted research on pharmacokinetics, and the analysis program MULTI(FILT) and related programs developed by him are used by researchers worldwide. In addition, the late Dr. Yumiko Yamaoka played a central role in the establishment of the six-year pharmacy education system by playing a key role in such activities as the creation of the Six-Year Core Curriculum for Pharmacy, conference of university faculty members, and workshops for the training of pharmacist advisors. The "Kiyoshi and Yumiko Yamaoka Noto Reconstruction Support Fund" was established based on the will of both doctors to "support young human resources in pharmacy" and the donation of Ms Michiko Thomas, the sister of the late Dr. Kiyoshi Yamaoka, who was deeply distressed by the Noto Peninsula Earthquake of 2024, based on her wish for the reconstruction of Noto after the disaster.

[Prospectus]

As a native of Toyama Prefecture, I could hardly imagine the images of destruction that were broadcast in the wake of the earthquake and tsunami that struck the Noto Peninsula on New Year's Day, and wondered if there might not be something I could do to provide aid to those affected areas.

My brother, the late Kiyoshi Yamaoka, and my sister-in-law, the late Yumiko Yamaoka, served on the faculties of the departments of pharmacology at Kyoto University and Kobe Gakuin University respectively. And for more than three decades my husband and I have taught at Illinois State University, during which time we have been able to sense a strong commonality between students in Japan and America. Hence, I wondered if there might be something I could do for the students. Fortunately, my cousin, Kunizo Arai, had held a faculty position for over forty years in the department of pharmacology at Kanazawa University, and following his counsel I decided to donate funds for a scholarship that I hope might be of some benefit to students from the affected area, that their future activities might contribute to the revival of the Noto region. If this scholarship can help you students realize your dreams and ambitions, nothing could bring me greater happiness.

Please give your best efforts!

Michiko Thomas (Michiko Yamaoka)

Roger Thomas

Kunizo Arai (director and advisor)

1. Recipients and amount of benefit

Regular students of the University who fulfil the following requirements are eligible.

(1) Those who enrolled in October 2024 or April 2025.

(2) Those who have suffered any of the following damages due to the Noto Peninsula Earthquake of 2024 or Noto torrential rainfall of 2024.

Details of the damage			Amount of benefit
① Financial supporter has died or is missing			400,000 yen (200,000 yen x 2 times)
② The home of the financial supporter was damaged.	Damage to buildings	Building (residential) damage ratio	
	Completely destroyed	over 50%	
	Large-scale partially destroyed	Between 40% and 50%	
	Medium-scale partially destroyed	Between 30% and 40%	
	Partially destroyed	Between 20% and 30%	
	Semi-destroyed	Between 10% and 20%	50,000 yen
	Partially damaged	Less than 10%	

2. Payment period, etc.

The grant is given only once during the student's enrollment period. However, the 400,000 yen grant will be paid in installments of 200,000 yen each semester (first or second semester).

As soon as the application details have been confirmed, the relevant applicant will be notified via the Acanthus Portal of the URL for registering a scholarship transfer account, and should follow the instructions to register.

3. How to apply

(1) Before applying, please be sure to check the "Guidelines for Scholarships for Victims of the Noto Peninsula Earthquake of 2024" at the link below.

< Guidelines>

<https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Guidelines-en.pdf>

- (2) The following documents must be submitted in paper form by the deadline.

[Application documents]

- ① Application for the "Kiyoshi and Yumiko Yamaoka Noto Reconstruction Support Fund Scholarship"

<Please download the form>

<https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Application-Form-en.pdf>

- ② A copy of "disaster damage certificate" or "official certificate" that proves the damage situation

***Applicants for the ‘ Tuition fee waiver for the first semester of 2025 for those whose family finances have suddenly changed due to a large-scale disaster’ are not required to submit this document.**

- ③ Essay (topic: Academic goals, vision for the future) Approximately 1,000 characters

<Please download the form>

<https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Essay-en.docx>

***Those whose benefits amount corresponds to 50,000 yen are not required to submit this form.**

[Submission deadline]

17:00, Tuesday 10 June 2025 (postmarked on the same day)

[Submission method]

Submission by post or at The Student Support Section's office.

[Submission address]

Student Support Section, Student Support Division, Educational and Student Affairs Department, Kanazawa University, Kakumamachi, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa 920-1192 (Administration Office, 2nd floor)

* When sending by post, please write " Yamaoka Scholarship Application Forms enclosed" in red ink on the left side of the front of the envelope.

* Students at the Takaramachi and Tsuruma campuses can also submit the documents at the Student Affairs Section of their department. However, when sent by post, it must be addressed to the Student Support Section.

4. Supplementary matters **(Those whose benefit amount corresponds to 50,000 yen are excluded.** Please agree to the following before applying.)

- (1) Include an acknowledgement of the "Kiyoshi and Yumiko Yamaoka Noto Reconstruction Support Fund Scholarship" in your dissertation (the most recently prepared bachelor's, master's, or doctoral dissertation). If you do not

write a thesis, you will be required to submit a message of thanks at the time of graduation or completion.

- (2) The essays and the message of thanks submitted to the University will be submitted to the founder of the fund. The essays may be published in book form by the founders (only if the applicant has given their consent).

5. Contact Information

Student Support Section, Student Support Division, Educational and Student Affairs Department (stsien@adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp)