

# Reason for applying for a Japanese Working Holiday Visa

I travelled to Japan on a tourist visa in May 2013 for one month. I entered Japan from South Korea via the Busan to Fukuoka ferry and I left Japan and headed to Russia one month later via the Sakaiminato (near Yonago) to Vladivostok ferry. While in Japan I visited Fukuoka, Dazaifu, Beppu, Hiroshima, Osaka, Kyoto, Tokyo and Sakaiminato.

I would like to continue being a tourist and visiting new parts of Japan on a Japanese working Holiday Visa but also take advantage of activities that I can do during a longer stay.

For example I am currently studying Japanese and have registered to take the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) N5 at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) in London. In Japan I want to continue practicing Japanese and apply to take the JLPT N4.

I am a web developer and would like to experience living and working in Tokyo for a Japanese web development company.

I would also like to do the Tokyo Marathon in 2015.

I am fond of skiing and want to base myself in Nagano during the ski season. I'd like to do some kind of work there and go skiing most days.

I also made a couple friends in Fukuoka during my last trip and would be keen to visit them.

Over the past few years I have been keen to experience living abroad. When I visited Japan last year I started thinking Japan would be a great place to do it. Japan is a very intriguing place to me and I am keen to learn more about the language and culture.

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