

## **Cover letter for a Working Holidays Visa in Japan**

To the officials of the Working Holidays Visa Program

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

My name is Tristan P. After working in territorial sustainable development, I have recently decided to change my career path in history and geographical teaching. Before passing the exam and doing so, I seek to live a year in Japan. This way I could properly explore the multiples aspects of this country.

A land and a people which culture has always captivated me on several topics. Like many, it all started young with video games. Curiosity led me to pursue forward and, connected it with my history interest, to discover the Japanese's world. I practiced judo for five years, watched animes, read mangas and the desire to travel there once in my life came naturally.

A few years ago a Japanese friend introduced me to the language, in order to prepare a future journey. I realized it was not just a necessary task but a pleasure to learn it, so I kept on daily. Starting to learn the Japanese further revived the interest, again I discovered Japan but with a more mature point of view: Daily cultural differences, urban and rural Japan, customs, historical and natural heritage. I also recognized I'll need multiples trips to experiment all these aspects, while my environmental convictions tell me not to take the plane too often.

For these reasons, a working holidays visa is the best way for me to appropriately immerse myself in Japanese's lifestyle. In this manner, I may slowly live for a year in great cities and countryside, share moments with locals, participate to traditional festivals and activities, hike in the mountains, feel the seasons, and also get to see what my younger me love from Japan. Moreover, this visa allows me to fund a part of the travel with some working times, which is also a side of Japanese's life.

I know living abroad is a great challenge. I'll need to enhance my Japanese, be resourceful and flexible, but I aim to prepare this trip as best as possible to help it.

I sincerely hope this letter transmits my strong will to realise this journey and my understanding of the working holidays visa's objectives.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Tristan P