

What is ABE Initiative and SDGs Program?

ABE Initiative Program offers opportunities for young and eligible people in Africa to study at the Master courses in the Japanese universities and to experience internships at the Japanese enterprises in order to develop effective skills and knowledge in various fields for contributing to the development of industries in Africa. This Program aims at developing human resource in both private and public sectors of Africa, as well as cultivating strong business network between Japan and Africa. More than 1,200 participants from all the 54 countries have joined the program since 2014.

SDGs Program was launched in 2019. There are still many challenges to achieve SDs in Africa, it is thus vital to develop human resources that can contribute to tackling the challenges in the respective field through policy decision and implementation.



ABE Initiative 4th Batch Arrival Reception in Japan



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<https://www.jica.go.jp/southafrica/english/office/others/abe.html>

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program

Master's Degree and Internship Program of

African Business Education Initiative for YOUTH

(**ABE** Initiative Scholarship Program)



SDGs Global Leadership Program



Eligible Applicants

ABE Initiative Program

(1) Private Sector

Those who have work experience and wish to contribute to the industrial development through cultivating strong network with Japanese companies.

(2) Government (Related to areas of interest of Japanese companies)

Those who take part in formulation and/or implementation of industrial policies and wish to contribute to Africa's development through government activities.

SDGs Program

Young or middle Government officials or academics who wish to contribute to policy formulation or implementation for tackling political and developmental issues.

Qualifications and Requirements

1. Citizens or Permanent Residents of South Africa
2. Between 22 and 39 years old as of April 1st 2020
3. Have work experience
4. Have good health condition, both physically and mentally, to complete the program
5. Not serving in military



Educational Requirements

(1) ABE Initiative Program & Master's in SDGs Global Leadership Program

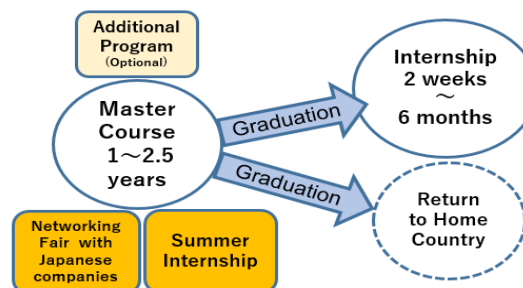
- Bachelor's degree (B-Tech included) with honors or equivalent to NQF8 or above
- Minimum average of 65% in academic transcripts

(2) Ph.D. in SDGs Global Leadership Program

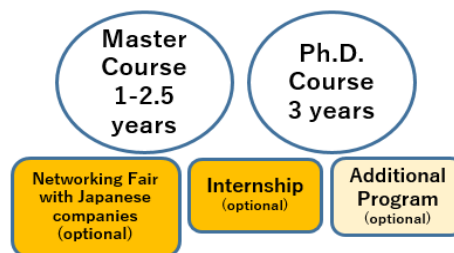
- Master degree (NQF9)
- Minimum average of 65% in academic transcripts

Duration of Programs

ABE Initiative Program



SGDs Program



Selection Process

1st Selection (Sep-Oct 2019)

Document Screening by JICA

2nd Selection (Oct-Nov 2019)

Interview by JICA and SA Government Officials

3rd Selection (Dec 2019-Feb 2020)

Document Screening by Japanese Universities

4th Selection (Feb-Jun 2020)

Interview by Japanese Universities

Arrival in Japan (Aug-Sep 2020)

Please submit the original application to the following address:

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Application Deadline
30 September 2019

No late application will be accepted.