STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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DEADLINE: January 13, 2017

Please respond to the following 3 questions. **Submit one original copy.** Each essay should be submitted on a separate sheet of paper. Be sure to include your name and signature on each page. Use paper clips or clamps, NO staples. Please be sure to keep a copy for your records. You may be asked to provide an additional copy at a later date.

**Question 1:** Describe briefly your educational and career goals, and then describe an individual project concerning Japan of significance to you (for example, a research paper, a dissertation prospectus, an experience related to your professional training). (750 words maximum)

**Question 2:** Why is it necessary for you to study at the IUC to achieve the academic and/or career goals outlined above? Why is this coming year the best time for you to study at the IUC? Address briefly your plans for the two-year period following your attendance at the IUC. (250 words maximum)

**Question 3:** Evaluate a book concerning Japan that has influenced you. (500 words maximum)