

**Job Opening for Tenure-Track Associate Professor
with International Project for Humanities Studies
Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University**

August 15, 2012

The Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University, invites applications for a tenure-track appointment as Associate Professor who will participate in the International Project for Humanities Studies.

The term of the position of tenure-track Associate Professor shall be six years. Promotion to a permanent tenure appointment is envisaged subject to mid-term evaluation conducted before the end of the third year and final evaluation conducted before the end of the fifth year. With positive evaluations, promotion may generally occur at the beginning of the sixth year, and, could occur even earlier with outstanding research achievement. For more details, please refer to the Institute for Research in Humanities Tenure-track Faculty Appointment Regulations:

http://www.zinbun.kyoto-u.ac.jp/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/tenuretrack_naiki.pdf

This tenure-track position recruitment is part of the tenure-track program operated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology:

<http://www.jst.go.jp/tenure/index.html>

The selection criteria for the tenure-track faculty member are as follows:

- (1) Distinguished research achievements meeting international standards
- (2) Demonstrated ability to conduct research in line with the area of studies at the research divisions and attached research centers of the Institute for Research in Humanities
- (3) Willingness to direct future collaborative research activities at the Institute for Research in Humanities
- (4) Adequate Japanese language skills

The tenure-track Associate Professor is eligible for consideration of permanent tenure appointment as Associate Professor. The evaluation criteria for receiving tenure will be discussed at the interview with the successful candidate.

Research Area

Comparative studies of environment or life (living organisms) with special reference to Japan and East Asia

For more information, please see the Institute for Research in Humanities website: <http://www.zinbun.kyoto-u.ac.jp/>

Qualifications

Applicants should be within 10 years of receiving their Ph.D.s or have equivalent research careers, and should currently be engaged in researches related to the above-mentioned area. The newly-appointed tenure-track Associate Professor is expected to assume his/her duties no later than March 31, 2014. The successful candidate will be required to sign a letter of consent to comply with the Kyoto University Code on Terms of Employment for Faculty Members.

Screening Process

Screening of required documents will be conducted based on the above-mentioned criteria, and an interview will be conducted with short-listed applicants (scheduled in early December). Transportation and accommodation expenses for the interview will be provided.

Starting Date

Starting date negotiable between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014

Required Documents

- (1) Curriculum Vitae and a list of research achievements (either in Japanese or in English)
- (2) Two selections of your major academic publications: an authored work and a research paper, which are not necessarily in a form of a printed book or a journal, each with a summary of either up to 1,000 letters in Japanese or 400 words in English
- (3) Research project plan to be implemented by a collaborative research group you would direct at the Institute for Research in Humanities. The plan should include the subject and the planning for a period of approximately three years. The form of the document is not specified.

Application Method

Please send three copies each of the documents listed in (1) to (3) above by mail to the mailing address below. On the front side of the envelope, please write in red ink “Application for Tenure-track Position (Environment or life).”

All information provided by applicants will be handled in conformity with the personal information protection law in Japan and Kyoto University’s regulations. The fact of your application will be kept confidential. Please include SASE if you want your materials returned.

Mailing Address

General Affairs Section
Institute for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University
Yoshida-Honmachi, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto, 606-8501, Japan

Due Date

No later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, October 15, 2012

Other

Kyoto University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications from women researchers are strongly encouraged.

Notification of Result

The result of the screening of documents will be notified by mail and e-mail.

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