

Hiroshima University (HU) herewith makes an open international job offer and seeks to appoint Associate Professor with tenure; Associate Professor/Assistant Professor on Tenure Track System in the research area of Comparative Studies of Japan and Other Culture.

This position is based on the 'Policy for recruiting/cultivating excellent faculty members'. The university introduced this policy to create a secure environment in which junior-positioned faculty members can concentrate on their research/education.

The post above has been newly created at HU to enable the promotion of the applicant to the senior position of Associate Professor on the condition that he/she passes the tenure-track review before the tenure-track period expires. Such a system assumes that the recruited person will settle down in one place so that he/she can dedicate himself/herself to research and education in accordance with his/her proposed research.

Therefore,

Date: December 25, 2024

Faculty Open Position(s)

1. Affiliation (Appointment)

Academy of Hiroshima University (Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences)

2. Work location

Higashi-Hiroshima Campus 1-2-3 Higashi-Hiroshimashi Kagamiyama
Other places of work designated by the University.

3. Position(s) and the number of opening(s)

Associate Professor or Assistant Professor, one (1)

(Depending on the result of the performance reviews of the applicant at the time of employment, he/she may be decided on any of the following titles: Associate Professor with tenure; Associate Professor/Assistant Professor on Tenure Track System)

4. Commencing date of employment

October 1, 2025

5. Terms of employment

Tenure-track position(s) Period of employment

- 7 years (in case that tenure-track Associate Professor gets promoted to tenured Associate Professor)
- 5 years (in case that tenure-track Assistant Professor gets promoted to tenured Associate Professor)

- (1) Tenure-track faculty members will undergo a tenure review at least six (6) months or more in advance of the expiration date of appointment, and those who have successfully passed the review process will be granted tenure along with promotion either to associate professor.
- (2) Granting a candidate for tenure is subject to two reviewing processes: an intermediate and final review. If a candidate is not granted tenure in final review, he/she will be dismissed from the university upon completion of the term of appointment.
- (3) If a candidate has taken a leave because of some life events such as delivering a baby,

6. Field of specialization

Comparative Studies of Japanese and Other Cultures (Visual Culture Studies)

7. Teaching responsibilities

- (1) Undergraduate level (general education courses): Peace Studies Courses (Visual Representation and Peace), etc.
- (2) Undergraduate level (discipline specific courses): General Introduction to Human Science, etc.
- (3) Graduate level (master's programs): Comparative Studies of Japanese and Other Cultures, Lecture/Seminar on Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies, Special Research, etc.
- (4) Graduate level (doctoral programs): Special Research, etc
- (5) In addition to the courses listed above, he or she may be asked to teach other general education courses and/or discipline specific courses in other department(s) and graduate school(s).

8. Qualifications

Applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements:

- (1) Hold a doctorate or an equivalent degree by the time the appointment begins
- (2) ● Hold more than one book (monograph) published and/or more than published ten academic papers (including more than three refereed papers) (in the case of Associate Professor)
- Hold more than published three academic papers (in the case of Assistant Professor)

In addition to each position requirement described above, the applicant has to fulfill the Hiroshima University minimum standard, depending on the relevant field.

* For each specialized field of faculty, Hiroshima University has defined Minimum standards for

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their responsibilities and administrative duties effectively.

- (7) At least one year of experience studying at a university abroad.

9. Application materials required

- (1) Resume (see attached file)

If you have a history of being employed by Hiroshima University (as a TA, RA, researcher, etc.) in the past five years, be sure to state all positions you have held.

- (2)

12. Selection procedure

- (1) Selection will be made based on all application documents submitted.
- (2) Interviews will be conducted as needed. As a general rule, we will conduct simulated lessons in English. In such cases, please note that travel expenses will be the responsibility of the applicant. Applicants who pass the initial document review will be informed of interview date, time and format.
- (3) Hiroshima University promotes a gender-equal society in accordance with the legislative intent of the Basic Law for a Gender-Equal Society.

13. Employment status

- (1) If you are agreeable to the application of the Discretionary Labor System for Professional Work, you are deemed to work for 7 hours and 45 minutes a day. If not, working hours are from 8:30 to 17:00 (from Monday to Friday) and break time is from 12:00 to 12:45.
- (2) Workdays are from Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) in principle.
- (3) Holidays are Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays in principle.

14. Salary, etc.

- (1) The annual salary system (II) which enforced in October 2021 will be applied to the successful candidates.
- (2) Successful candidates may be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred for the trip from their home or former place of work to the new place of work to assume their post in accordance with the relevant regulations of Hiroshima University. For more information, please contact us.

※Hiroshima University has introduced a system whereby researchers' personnel expenses are paid out of direct expenses such as competitive research grants and joint research grants, and the obtained research financial resources can be used to improve the treatment of researchers themselves (additional Salary) and to improve the research environment.

15. Evaluation

We conduct individual performance evaluations for all Hiroshima University faculty members after their employment, numerically rate their performance, and salary and benefits are commensurate with performance indicators.

16. Employer

Hiroshima University

17. Miscellaneous

- (1) Probationary employment period: six (6) months
- (2) Personal information obtained from application documents will not be used or provided to any third party for purposes other than the necessary procedures related to personnel affairs, salary, and welfare. Application documents of applicants whom we have decided not to employ will be returned to those applicants in an appropriate manner, after the completion of relevant selection processes.
- (3) The retirement age is 65 years old.
- (4) All the faculty members of Hiroshima University belong to the "Academy", which is the single university-wide faculty organization, and each faculty as a member of the Academy of the University is appointed to educational and/or research organizations such as an individual undergraduate school, graduate school, research center and institute.
- (5) Faculty members may also be assigned to teaching and/or research activities in other organizations of Hiroshima University and university-wide projects.
- (6) For each specialized field of faculty, Hiroshima University has defined Minimum standards for hiring new faculty ("the minimum standards"). We use the minimum standards for the initial screening process of the applicants, and only those who have cleared the minimum standards will qualify as the candidates for the post concerned. The minimum standards used for this international job offer can be viewed by clicking the following URL link.
<https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/employment/kyoinkobo/>
- (7) HU provides other employment information (research job, desk job and etc.). If your spouse wishes to work for HU, please refer to the following URL link.
employment information: <https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/employment/>
- (8) Hiroshima University has been entirely smoke-free from January 2020.

18. Contact (Japanese only)

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