

Job Opening: Faculty Position at Studies in Language and Society, Graduate School of Language and Culture, Osaka University

1. Affiliation Studies in Language and Society, Graduate School of Language and Culture, Osaka University
2. Work Location Minoh Campus, Osaka University (8-1-1 Aomatani-higashi, Minoh, Osaka, Japan)
NB (1): The successful candidate may be required to teach courses offered at Toyonaka Campus, Osaka University (Toyonaka City, Osaka).
NB (2): Minoh Campus is scheduled to be transferred to Semba-higashi, Minoh, Osaka in FY2021.
3. Position Associate Professor (Lecturer) or Assistant Professor
4. Number of Positions 1 (One)
5. Specialized Field Fields related to contemporary Chinese literature, modern and contemporary Japanese-Chinese comparative culture, or modern and contemporary Chinese culture
6. Responsibilities (1) Engage in education activities, research supervision and administration duties at the Graduate School of Language and Culture/School of Foreign Studies; The successful candidate will also conduct research in his/her specialized field.
(2) Teach courses under the Center for Education in Liberal Arts and Sciences (CELAS) at the undergraduate level;
(3) Responsibilities after appointment include leading student groups on short-term fieldwork trips in Chinese-speaking countries and regions.
7. Qualifications (1) Must have a doctoral degree at the time of appointment, or equivalent research achievements;
(2) Must be specialized in fields of research related to contemporary Chinese literature, modern and contemporary Japanese-Chinese comparative culture, or modern and contemporary Chinese culture, have a track record of research output in one or more of these fields and an excellent command of Chinese language;
(3) Must possess sufficient Japanese language proficiency to teach, provide research supervision and perform administrative duties in Japanese;
(4) For non-native Chinese speakers, experience of studying in Chinese-speaking countries and regions for more than 1 year is required.
NB: The screening review for Associate Professor (Lecturer) will be

considered if the applicant has more than 1 year of experience teaching Chinese at a university prior to appointment.

8. Starting Date April 1, 2019
9. Term of Employment If employed as Assistant Professor: Three-year contract will apply. (Extension is possible, but only one time and for a period of up to 2 years.)
NB: Depending on whether a position is available, the successful candidate may be promoted to Associate Professor (Lecturer) without a fixed term during his/her appointment, based on the result of a performance evaluation.

If employed as Associate Professor (Lecturer): Permanent (until the end of the fiscal year of the successful candidate's age 65)
10. Probationary Period 6 months
11. Salary and Benefits If employed as Assistant Professor: Osaka University's annual salary system* will be applied; however, if the previous employment periods at other institutions can be included in the calculation of the period of continuous employment defined in the retirement allowance regulation at Osaka University, there will be consultation about the application of the monthly salary system**.

If employed as Associate Professor (Lecturer): Osaka University's monthly salary system will be applied. However, the annual salary system may also be applied if the successful candidate prefers.

*Annual salary system: Based on the "Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff Subject to Annual Salary System," if employed as Assistant Professor, or the "Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Subject to Annual Salary System," if employed as Associate Professor (Lecturer) (regarding Osaka University work regulations, please refer to the link listed below in item 19 "Additional Information"), annual basic salary, performance-based bonuses and allowances will be paid. Allowances for family, housing and commuting are not included in the above-mentioned allowances. Retirement allowance will not be paid in the case that the salary regulations for staff subject to the annual salary system is applied to the entire period of continuous employment.

** Monthly salary system: Based on the "Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff," if employed as Assistant Professor, or the "Salary Regulations for

National University Corporation Osaka University Staff,” if employed as Associate Professor (Lecturer), basic salary, bonuses and allowances, including family, housing and commuting allowances, will be paid. Retirement allowance will also be paid in accordance with the retirement allowance regulation at Osaka University.

Insurance: Medical Insurance and Pension of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Mutual Aid Association, Employment Insurance and Industrial Accident Compensation Insurance

12. Employment Type "Discretionary Labor System, Special Work Type"
(Deemed working hours: 8 hours per day)
NB: Based on the “Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff,” if employed as Assistant Professor, or the “Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff,” if employed as Associate Professor (Lecturer)

13. Application Deadline Application documents must arrive by August 31, 2018 (Japan Standard Time)

14. Application Documents

- (1) Curriculum Vitae (use the prescribed format)
- (2) List of research achievements (use the prescribed format)
- (3) Major publications, no more than five (photocopies acceptable, only published work)
- (4) Research and education plan after employment written in Japanese (within 1,000 - 2,000 Japanese characters, free format)
- (5) For non-native Japanese speakers: Japanese language proficiency score or other documents that can certify Japanese proficiency, if any (photocopy accepted)

- Regarding the above prescribed forms for item (1) and (2), please utilize the forms available on the following website:

http://www1.lang.osaka-u.ac.jp/ls/about_ls/employment.html

For applicants who prefer to receive the prescribed formats via postal service, please send the request to the contact address below enclosing an A4 size envelope with a 140-yen stamp (only for applicants residing in Japan). Please write “request for application forms” on the envelope.

- Application forms for item (1), (2) and (4) must be written in Japanese, except for proper nouns and specialized terminology.
- The application documents will not be returned to the applicant, except for item (3).
- Personal information in the application documents will only be used for the purpose of screening and hiring procedures, and will not be disclosed to any third party.

15. Submission of Application Documents

Write “Application for Chinese Language Faculty Position” on the envelope in red ink.

Send application documents by simplified registered mail or any other traceable delivery method. Submission by e-mail is not accepted.

Mailing address:

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16. Selection Process

- After the application documents have been reviewed, selected candidates may be invited for an interview (including a mock lecture) (travel and accommodation fees necessary for the interview are to be covered by the candidate).
- The final selection of candidates will be discussed and confirmed at a faculty meeting.
- Applicants will be notified by post of the final selection results (the successful candidate is expected to be notified of the result in early December, 2018 or later).

17. Contact Information

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18. Recruiter

National University Corporation Osaka University

19. Additional Information

For other related working conditions, please refer to: "Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff," etc., if employed as Assistant Professor, and "Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff," etc., if employed as Associate Professor (Lecturer).

http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html

Osaka University promotes gender equality. It welcomes strongly motivated applicants regardless of gender, nationality, race and ethnic origin.