

Academic Year 2024: THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES,
DIVISION OF FOREIGN STUDIES, Osaka University
- Recruitment Information for Specially Appointed Academic Staff -

The Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Foreign Studies at Osaka University is dedicated to the study of 24 languages as well as the cultures based on those languages. This pursuit is both theoretical and practical in nature with a focus on foreign studies that is founded on comprehensive research and education from the perspectives of various fields in the humanities and social sciences and through interdisciplinary approaches using high levels of language proficiency.

The Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Foreign Studies is seeking a scholar who possesses specialized knowledge of these areas and will contribute to strengthen language education at Osaka University. Please see below for the details.

1. Associated Department: The Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Foreign Studies, Osaka University
2. Place of Work: Minoh Campus, Osaka University
(3-5-10 Semba Higashi, Minoh-shi, Osaka-fu, Japan)
* Teaching classes at Toyonaka Campus, Osaka University (Toyonaka City, Osaka) may also be required.
3. Job Title: Specially Appointed Associate Professor (Lecturer) (Full-time)
4. Number of Positions: 1
5. Job Description: Engagement in education and research on Arabic language, literature and culture, which includes teaching classes offered by the Graduate School of Humanities (Division of Foreign Studies major) (herein referred to as “the Graduate School”) and the School of Foreign Studies for 10-12 classes per week (one class lasts 90 minutes). Classes are assigned by the Graduate School.

Engagement in other duties required by the Graduate School and the School of Foreign Studies will be expected.
6. Starting Date: April 1, 2024
7. Period of Employment: From the starting date to March 31, 2027. The initial contract may be renewed but not to extend beyond March 31, 2034(*).

The appointee is requested to arrive in Japan and obtain the status of residence by the day before the starting date.
* If the appointee has work experience as a Limited-term Staff Member, Part-time Lecturer, etc. at Osaka University during the term from October 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024, the limit of extension of your contract period may be altered, in accordance with ‘Regulations Pertaining to Contract Period of National University Corporation Osaka University Fixed-term Staff’. If necessary, please contact the email address mentioned in item 17 below for details.

8. Probation Period: 6 months
9. Employment Form: The Discretionary Labor System, Special Work Type will be applied (deemed working hours: 8 hours a day)
* Based on the ‘Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff.’
10. Qualifications: An applicant is deemed qualified if s/he:
(1) is a native speaker of or possesses native-like language proficiency in Arabic.
(2) has general knowledge of the cultures and societies where Arabic is spoken.
(3) has a Ph.D., M.A. or equivalent degree in a field related to the study of Arabic language or Arabic literature.
11. Application Documents: (1) Curriculum vitae (Attachment 1)
(2) List of main publications (Books, articles, etc.) (Attachment 2)
(3) Up to 3 main publications (offprints or photocopies are acceptable)
* For items (1) and (2), please use the attached forms (Attachment 1 and 2) and carefully fill in all of the necessary information.
* Applicants should also provide their current address, phone/fax number, and e-mail address, so that direct contact may be made during the administrative procedure.
* Application documents will not be returned.
12. Application Deadline: Application documents must arrive by August 29, 2023.
13. Screening Method: After the application documents have been reviewed, selected applicants will be invited for an online (Zoom) interview (including a mock lesson).

Screening will be conducted by faculty members of the Graduate School, Osaka University.

Applicants will be notified of the screening results by post (the successful applicant is expected to be notified of the result after mid-November 2023).
14. Employment Conditions: (1) The monthly salary may vary from 507,200 yen (minimum) to 558,925 yen (maximum). A commuting allowance will be provided.
(2) The appointee will be provided with furnished residential facilities equipped with electricity, gas and water services throughout the term of the contract. Please note that the appointee will be responsible for both rent and utility costs.
(3) Upon assuming the post, the appointee will be provided with a part of relocation expenses.
(4) Travel expenses to return to their home country and a part of other relocation expenses may be provided in accordance with the regulation.
(5) Any of dependent allowances, bonuses, or retirement allowance will not be provided.
15. Insurance : The appointee will be enrolled in the National Public Service Personnel Mutual Aid Associations, Employment Insurance and Workers’ Accident Compensation Insurance.

16. Where to submit applications:

[By e-mail] (Emails should be sent to both addresses below.)

(1) The General Affairs Section, Minoh Office, Graduate School of Humanities, Osaka University

jinbun-minoh-shomu[[@](mailto:jinbun-minoh-shomu@office.osaka-u.ac.jp)]office.osaka-u.ac.jp

(2) Person in charge in the Arabic department (Associate Professor Ph.D. Yoshiaki FUKUDA)

y.fukuda.hmt[[@](mailto:y.fukuda.hmt@osaka-u.ac.jp)]osaka-u.ac.jp

* When sending e-mails, please change [[@](mailto:jinbun-minoh-shomu@office.osaka-u.ac.jp)] to [@](mailto:jinbun-minoh-shomu@office.osaka-u.ac.jp) of the e-mail addresses above.

* Please write “Application for Arabic Teaching Position” in the subject line.

* Please attach the application documents (including main publications mentioned above in 11 (3)) in PDF format (with sufficient security countermeasures).

* If no reply is received within three business days, please contact the General Affairs Section, Minoh Office, Graduate School of Humanities, Osaka University (see (1) above for the email address).

[By postal service]

General Affairs Section, Minoh Office, Graduate School of Humanities, Osaka University 3-5-10 Semba Higashi, Minoh-shi, Osaka-fu, 562-8678, Japan

* Please write in red ink on the envelope “Application for Arabic Teaching Position” and submit it by a trackable delivery method.)

17. For further information:

Please contact: Associate Professor Ph.D. Yoshiaki FUKUDA

Graduate School of Humanities, Division of Foreign Studies, Osaka University

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* When sending e-mail, please change [[@](mailto:y.fukuda.hmt@osaka-u.ac.jp)] to [@](mailto:y.fukuda.hmt@osaka-u.ac.jp).

18. Recruiter:

National University Corporation Osaka University

19. Additional Information:

For other related conditions, please refer to ‘Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff’ and other regulations.

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

Osaka University welcomes applications from applicants regardless of gender, nationality, ethnicity, etc.

* Osaka University campuses and related facilities are smoke-free, except for designated areas.

* There is no parking space for cars, motorcycles, or bicycles at Minoh Campus.