

Call for a contract assistant professor (Biology)

1. Position: One (1), contract assistant professor (term fixed)

2. Research area: Biology

3. Responsibility

Department of Biology, Institute of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Tsukuba, seeks a contract assistant professor candidate who is not restricted to the traditional field of biology, and who can take an initiative in creating a new research field in biology that will be highly regarded internationally through the development of boundary area and fusion of different disciplines.

The appointee will also be involved in teaching and administration of the undergraduate program in College of Biological Sciences, School of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Tsukuba, including laboratory training and tutorial classes. The appointee will also be responsible for developing highly skilled human resources who can play an active role in the future society with a focus on biology, by providing students with the ability to discover new issues from interdisciplinary fields based on an understanding of the characteristics of multiple fields and to explore issues from an original perspective, while delving into the expertise of various fields of biology.

4. Qualifications

Requirements

- Possession of a Ph. D. at the time of appointment.
- Ability to conduct and publish research in the field concerned at an international level.
- Ability to perform education, research, and administrative works, closely communicating and smoothly cooperating with the staff of the undergraduate and graduate schools in both Japanese and English.
- Keen interest in conducting education, research, and administration as described in the job description above.

5. Period of appointment, compensation

Start date: Apr. 1st, 2025, or later.

Affiliation: Institute of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Tsukuba. Area of responsibility is the College of Biological Sciences, School of Life and Environmental Sciences

Term: 3 years from start date up, with possible extension for up to 2 years.

Salary: Annual salary scheme. Annual salary commensurate with experience, etc. Commuting allowance provided the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology

Mutual Aid Association membership.

Place of work: Tennodai 1-1-1, Tsukuba, Ibaraki, 305-8572, Japan.

6. Required application documents

- 1) Curriculum vitae (with a portrait photo. Also, provide an e-mail address and other contact details).
- 2) List of past achievements (original papers, reviewed articles, edited books or book chapters, presentations at conference or society meetings, patents, research funds obtained, and others)
- 3) PDF copies of up to 5 principal papers (in the case of sending by post, offprints up to 5 principal papers, photocopies accepted).
- 4) Overview of research to date (max. 1,500 words in Japanese or 800 words in English)
- 5) Plan for research and statement of education you hope to provide (max. 1,500 words in Japanese or 800 words in English)
- 6) Names and contact details of two researchers able to provide references
- 7) European Economic Area (EEA) residents submit a scanned copy of the Consent for the Processing and Extraterritorial Transfer of Personal Data under the EU General Data Protection Regulation (separate form)

Information contained in the submitted documents will not be used for any purpose other than selection and employment. Application documents will not be returned.

7. Selection

Application submission deadline: Nov. 8th, 2024 (Fri), should be arrived.

Interview: To be conducted after the application submission deadline and screening of the application documents. For the interview, the applicant(s) will be requested to provide a 20 to 30-minute presentation in Japanese or English, containing the outlining his/her research to date, aspirations for research and education activities in the future, and concrete research plans. The interview will be done via web or face-to-face, dependent on the situation. When it is done by face-to-face interview, the applicant(s) will be required to cover the cost of interview-related travel.

8. Application submission and inquiries

In principle, all application documents should be submitted as a single PDF file via the JREC-IN Portal Web application. If you have difficulty submitting your application via the JREC-IN Portal, please contact us at the address below. If you need to apply by mail, please send your application by the deadline above (application documents will not be returned). Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

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