

Recruitment of a Project-Specific Faculty Member (Associate Professor)
Faculty of Information Science and Electrical Engineering, Kyushu University

Outline:

Kyushu University is seeking an experienced individual with expertise in teaching and research for appointment as a fixed-term special project faculty member (associate professor) in the Department of Interdisciplinary Informatics, Faculty of Information Science and Electrical Engineering.

The Sub-major Program for Informatics and Digital Technology will be added new target fields (Design, Law and Politics, Communication, Agri-Food Sciences, and Industrial Applied Information Sciences (tentative name) in addition to the existing five fields (Life Sciences, Physics, Chemistry, Humanities, and Social Informatics).

In particular, the cultivation of information technology personnel in agriculture will be strongly promoted, primarily by the Faculty of Agriculture. Therefore, in this position, Candidates are expected to have responsibility to have expertise in the following scientific fields:

- 1) Education and research on the use of mathematics, data science, information and communication technology (ICT), artificial intelligence (AI), etc., in agricultural sciences
- 2) Education and research that promotes the resolution of various issues related to agricultural sciences based on these foundations.

The selection committee is also seeking for individuals who can promote education and research related to DX that contributes to the realization of sustainable agriculture.

1. Number of Positions Offered:

One Project-Specific Faculty Member (Associate Professor)

2. Institution:

Position affiliation:

Department of Interdisciplinary Informatics, Faculty of Information Science and Electrical Engineering

Education:

The appointee will join the teaching staff of the Program of the School of Agriculture as well as that of the Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences.

3. Date of Appointment:

April 1, 2027 or later.

4. Qualifications:

- (1) Ph. D. degree.
- (2) An outstanding research record in the above-mentioned scientific fields 1) and 2).
- (3) Able to work with enthusiasm for student education and research guidance as undergraduate and graduate school teachers.

5. Educational Duties:

The successful candidate will be expected to teach the following subjects and supervise research activities at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in Japanese, with some of the teaching and supervision done in English. Some of the courses are given by multiple professors.

- (1) Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences
(International Graduate Program)
AI-driven Problem-solving Exercises (Tentative name, Subject E), and other subjects.
 - (2) Undergraduate School
(Sub-major Program for Informatics and Digital Technology)
Information Agriculture (Subject J)
(International Course)
Responsible as needed (Subject E).
(Kikan Education)
Introduction to Agriculture, and other subjects.
- Note:** You will be responsible for teaching in both Japanese (Subject J) and English (Subject E).

6. Required Documentation (provide all documents either in Japanese or English):

Please use the template found in the following link for the documents (1) and (2).

https://archive.iii.kyushu-u.ac.jp/public/d-aCQB8IKhrwP-_GT7pVly_Tmh5Hhqir0nRbiMy4Nftg

(1) Curriculum vitae (Word and PDF file)

(2) List of research achievements (Word and PDF file)

I. Original papers: name of authors, title, journal name, volume, issue, pages or DOI, published year (applicant name should be underlined, and indicated by (*) just in case of a corresponding author) It is desirable to show impact factor and number of citation (database name) in each paper. Papers should be listed in reverse chronological order for each of three types:

(i) Peer-reviewed papers

(ii) Non-peer-reviewed papers

(iii) Others

For (i) Peer-reviewed papers, papers should be categorized into the above-mentioned scientific fields 1) and 2) or the other fields 3) and arranged in reverse chronological order for each field.

II. Books: name of authors, title, name of publisher, pages, published year

III. Review papers and others: name of authors, title, journal name, volume, pages, published year

IV. Patents

V. Academic awards

VI. Invited lectures in international conferences

VII. List of public and private research grants awarded

(Classify the research funds into KAKENHI (Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research), Funded Research, Joint Research with Company and Others, and then write the name, title of research project, period, amount, and whether the researcher is a representative or a co-funded researcher.)

VIII. Educational experiences

IX. Philanthropic activity

X. Others

(3) Your five most important publications (PDF file)

(4) Summary of your research activities and future research plans (less than 1000 words) (PDF file)

(5) Summary of your educational experience and aspirations for education in the future (less than 800 words). If you do not have the experience, please describe only the aspirations. (PDF file)

(6) Recommendation letter

In case of self-recommendation:

Please submit a self-recommendation letter (PDF file), and the names and contact information (PDF file) of two persons who can inquire about the applicant's education, research, etc., together with the documents (1) - (5) above (**see "10. Submission of the Application Documents"**).

In case of recommendation from a reference:

Please directly send the recommendation letter (PDF file encrypted by password) from the reference to Professor Takashi Okayasu (e-mail: kyouin_saiyou@bpes.kyushu-u.ac.jp), Office of Project-Specific Faculty Member (Associate Professor) Candidates. Please write "Recommendation letter for Associate Professor of SPIDT, Kyushu Univ. -Applicant name" in the subject line of the email, and the password of the letter file should be sent by another e-mail.

7. Interview:

Short-listed candidates may be invited for an interview held at Ito Campus or via a remote conference system. We do not support any expenses incurred, such as for travel or accommodation, to participate in the interview.

8. Employment Location:

Kyushu University

Motooka 744, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka, 819-0395, JAPAN

9. Application Deadline:

Completed applications must arrive at Kyushu University by 5:00 PM on October 30 (Fri.), 2026 (Japan Standard Time).

10. Submission of the Application Documents:

All the documents required for submission should be zipped all files (zip file format) and uploaded via a Proself file sharing system provided by Information Infrastructure Initiative, Kyushu University (all the file names must contain your initials). Please send email to the following Selection Committee Office by 5:00 PM (Japan Time) on October 27 (Tue.), 2026 (Please write "Associate Professor of SPIDT, Kyushu Univ. -your name" in the subject line of the e-mail). The secretariat staff will put a link for uploading documents in the reply email, so you can open the link and upload it. Please send another email to the office to inform the completion of the upload. Please send another email to our office to inform us of the completion of the upload. The secretariat staff will send an email for the completion of the submission.

Selection Committee Office for Project-Specific Faculty Member (Associate Professor) Candidates, Department of Interdisciplinary Informatics, Faculty of Information Science and Electrical Engineering, Kyushu University

E-mail: kyouin_saiyou@bpes.kyushu-u.ac.jp

11. Contact on Recruitment:

Professor: Takashi OKAYASU

Selection Committee Office for Project-Specific Faculty Member (Associate Professor) Candidates, Department of Interdisciplinary Informatics, Faculty of Information Science and Electrical Engineering, Kyushu University

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Tel: +81(Country code for Japan)- 92-802-4632

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12. Conditions of employment:

(1) Job description: Education and Research at the Kyushu University.

(Scope of Changes) None

(2) Employment Duration: 5 years from the date of hire

Contract renewal: Yes (Decisions will be based on workload and job performance at the end of the contract period, as well as attitude, ability, progress on assigned tasks, budget status, and health condition)

Maximum renewal period: Yes (up to March 31, 2033)

(3) Probationary period: A three-month probationary period.

(4) Place of employment: Faculty of Agriculture, Kyushu University Ito campus (744 Motooka, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka, 819-0395, JAPAN). (Scope of Changes) None

(5) Working hours, break time, Overtime: Based on Discretionary Labor System for professional work, it is regarded that working hours are 7 hours and 45 minutes irrespective of how much time the employee actually spends on his/her work.

(6) Days off: Every Saturday and Sunday, national holidays, and New Year's holidays from December 29-January 3 in addition to an annual leave entitlement.

(7) Salary: Appointment level to be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Salary and benefits are specified in the Kyushu University regulations. For further information, visit the following university website (in Japanese) or apply to the General Affairs Section, Faculty of Agriculture:

https://www1.g-reiki.net/kyushu-u/reiki_honbun/u437RG00000222.html

(8) Social Insurance: Employee shall enroll in: Employment insurance, Compensation Insurance, Health Insurance, Employees' pension insurance.

(9) Name of the Recruiting Organization: Faculty of Agriculture, Kyushu University

(10) Contact Information: General Affairs Section, Faculty of Agriculture (E-mail: nossyomu2@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp)

(11) Status of measures to prevent passive smoking: No smoking is permitted on the university premises.

(12) Consultation Service for Sexual Harassment During Job Searches: Kyushu University Office for the Promotion of Harassment Prevention Measures

(TEL : 092-802-6091

E-mail : syjsoudan@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp)

13. Additional Information:

(1) If you have been disciplined in the past for sexual violence, including sexual harassment, against students, please be sure to enter the nature of the disciplinary action and the specific reasons for it in your resume or other documents. False statements may result in cancellation of employment or disciplinary action.

(2) Kyushu University provides support to improve the research environment for faculty and researchers.

- Support for Securing Research Funding
 - Research Funding Acquisition Support Program
 - Support for Securing International Research Funding and others
- Support Primarily for Early-Career Researchers
 - Research Start Program
 - Development of a Shared Research Equipment and Facilities System and others
- Support for Continuing Research During Life Events Such as Childbirth and Childcare
 - On-campus childcare facilities (Himawari Nursery School, Takenoko Nursery School)
 - Babysitter Subsidy Program and others

For details on support and programs not listed above, please visit the Kyushu University website.

Kyushu University Website > About Kyushu University > Faculty and Staff Recruitment Information > List of Researcher Support Programs

(<https://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/ja/university/career/support>)

- (3) For more information about the Faculty of Agriculture, please visit our website (<https://www.agr.kyushu-u.ac.jp/>).
- (4) Personal information included in the submitted documents will not be used for purposes other than screening.
- (5) Contact Information: General Affairs Section, Faculty of Agriculture (E-mail: nossyomu2@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp)