

**TITLE : Recruitment for English speaking applicants to fill position in the Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences**

For information on the Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences, please refer to the following site:

<http://www.life.tsukuba.ac.jp/en/index.html>

**Explanation of open recruitment:**

**Position**

Recruitment for excellent persons to fill a position at the level of Associate Professor or Assistant Professor, depending on the qualifications of the successful candidate, in the Faculty of Life and Environmental Sciences at the University of Tsukuba, Tsukuba, Japan. **The University of Tsukuba is a strong supporter of gender equality and nondiscrimination.**

**Term of appointment**

If hired at the level of Associate Professor the position is permanent or tenure track depending on the research field. If hired at the level of Assistant Professor the position is tenure track.

**Research duties – 40% effort**

All research topics relevant to fields of study in the Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences will be considered. The successful applicant is required to advance their own research in an independent or collaborative laboratory and take an active approach to obtain competitive research funding.

**Teaching duties – 40% effort**

Successful applicants will be in charge of research guidance of undergraduate (Colleges of Agro-biological Resources Science, Biological Science or Geoscience) and graduate students (Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences). In addition, the person will be required to conduct lectures in ENGLISH on Science Communication including presentation, writing and discussion techniques to graduate students as well as subjects related to their field of research for undergraduate and graduate students.

**Other responsibilities – 20% effort**

Successful applicants must also serve actively on various committees in the university and take leadership roles in academic and scientific programs related to the international programs of the University of Tsukuba. Also obligated to support seminars / experimental work / lectures for students.

**Application criteria**

- (1) Must have a doctoral degree
- (2) Must have sufficient experience teaching and conducting research (including post-doctoral positions) in English.
- (3) Must be able to conduct and fund an independent research program.
- (4) Must be proficient in English similar to a native speaker and able to conduct lectures and research guidance in English. Proficiency in Japanese (reading, writing and especially conversation) is highly desired.

**Application Deadline:** October, Monday 20, 2014 at 5 pm JST

**Starting date:** February 1, 2015

Salary and allowances will be provided in accordance with The University of Tsukuba guidelines.

**Application materials:**

- 1) Application form (Curriculum Vitae, Photograph)
- 2) List of past achievements (proficiency books, reviewed articles, others, presentation, research funds obtained)
- 3) Summary of previous research (2 A4-size pages)]
- 4) Plan of proposed research.
- 5) Statement of ambitions for teaching at the University of Tsukuba.
- 6) Two letters of reference or two nominees with whom we may discuss the applicant's qualifications.
- 7) Copies of up to five important scientific publications (journal articles, books)
- 8) Video of a 20 to 30 minute lecture taught in English

The above documents can be sent by registered mail to the postal address shown below. Please mark the envelope "Application Forms for Life and Environmental Sciences" and clearly indicate "Open Recruitment Life and Environmental Sciences" with a red pen.

Submission by e-mail is acceptable. By e-mail, please include the following subject title, "Application forms for Life and Environmental Sciences (your name)"

The submitted documents will not be returned to applicants.

**Selection Process:**

Interviews will be held for applicant(s) who pass the document reviews.

Travel expenses will not be disbursed. However, under extenuating circumstances interviews may be conducted by 'skype' or other similar communication systems.

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