

Positions for Postdoctoral Research Fellow

25 January 2010

1. Positions available:

Researcher (Global COE) or Junior Research Fellow: one to two positions

We seek post-doctoral scholars with a spirit of challenge towards incorporating into their own research a wider perspective that integrates humanities and sciences.

2. Institutional affiliation:

Successful candidates will be affiliated to the Global COE program, "In Search of Sustainable Humanosphere in Asia and Africa", sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan, and executed by the Center for Southeast Asian Studies and other related institutions and faculties of Kyoto University.

3. Period of employment:

Two years starting from April 2010. (In the Japanese system of funding of which this program is a part, the formal contract period is terminated at the end of each fiscal year (March 31) and renewed every April. Our intention is to renew the contract until 24 month period of appointment is completed.)

4. Job description:

- 1) Successful candidates will be responsible for formulating research questions and conducting research which meets the aims and purposes of the program and presenting and publishing the research findings.
- 2) Successful candidates will be responsible for managing various academic coordination tasks in running the Global COE program.

5. Qualifications:

- 1) We seek promising scholars who will be able to promote through her/his research new paradigms for "Sustainable Humanosphere."
- 2) The applicant must have a Ph.D. at the time of employment. Those who have equivalent academic achievements as a Ph.D. and outstanding research records which are relevant to this program can also apply.

- 3) The applicants must not be engaged in any full-time job at the time of employment.
- 4) The applicant must not be a recipient of JSPS Post Doctoral Fellowship or any other similar programs at the time of employment.
- 5) The applicant must reside in a place that will enable her/him to assume the responsibilities mentioned above at the time of employment.
- 6) Applicants of any nationality will be accepted, though Japanese language ability at the level of daily communication is desirable.

6. Terms and conditions:

- 1) Working hours: Approximately 40 hours per week (Monday-Friday) under discretionary work system for a Researcher (Global COE), 18 hours per week for a Junior Research Fellow.
- 2) Payment of remuneration for Researcher (Global COE) and Junior Research Fellow will be in accordance with the regulations of Kyoto University for untenured full-time employment and for employment by the hour, respectively.

The annual pretax payment to a Researcher (Global COE) will be approximately four million and two hundred thousand Japanese Yen. Researcher (Global COE) is not eligible for payment of overtime, since he/she will be employed under discretionary work system.

The annual payment to a Junior Researcher will be approximately one million seven hundred thousand Yen. In the event that a Junior Research fellow is asked to work outside of the regular working hours, he/she will be eligible for payment of overtime.

- 3) Insurance policy will be applied for Researcher (Global COE) as a faculty member of Kyoto University.
- 4) Use of the libraries on campus, access to network services and other facilities will be made available for both Researcher (Global COE) and Junior Research Fellow.

7. Documents required:

- 1) Curriculum Vitae.
- 2) List of publications (indicate whether the articles were refereed).
- 3) List of research funds obtained (indicate whether or not you were the principal investigator).
- 4) Major research publications (not more than three pieces, photocopies are accepted).
- 5) Summary of past scholarly activities and achievements (1200 words or less).
- 6) Statement of your aspiration towards a paradigm formulation for "Sustainable Humanosphere" (1200 words or less).

- 7) Names and addresses (including telephone numbers and e-mail addresses) of two persons we can contact for your references.

* Note that material submitted for application will not be returned.

8. Application deadline:

15th February 2010

9. Selection procedure and notification of results:

- 1) We will inform the details of the interview to those who have passed the document-based selection by 18th February. There will be an interview on 22nd of February. A short presentation of your research interests will be requested at the interview. The final results of selection will be notified by e-mail to all applicants in early March 2010. The appointment is scheduled to begin on 1st April 2010. However, the appointment may be delayed for procedural reasons.
- 2) For those who are residing abroad and unable to appear for interviews on the specified dates, special arrangements will be made for interviews once they have passed the document-based selection.

* The applicants must pay their own travel expenses for the interview.

10. Sending applications:

- 1) Mailing address

Office of the Global COE Program,
Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University,
46 Shimoadachi-cho, Yoshida, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto, 606-8501, Japan.

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- 2) Application documents must be sent to the office of the Global COE program by registered mail before the deadline. Please indicate "Application for Global COE positions" in red on the envelope.

11. Contact:

For further information, please contact the Global COE office indicated above.

12. Further information:

- 1) If you decide to take up another job during the term of your employment, you must notify the program leader at least one month before the appointment for the new position. In such a case, your contract will be terminated one day before the beginning of your appointment of the new job.
- 2) When publishing any academic articles based on research conducted within the Program, acknowledgement of the Program should be mentioned clearly in the publication.