# Faculty Position in the D3 Center, the University of Osaka

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| Outline | In this open call for participants, the Language Education Support Research Division of the D3 Center plans to hire one professor to conduct research and education while engaging in the duties described below.<br><br>The selected applicant will lead research and educational initiatives aimed at advancing ICT-supported language education environments. This aim includes developing foreign language learning systems and materials using ICT tools and technologies, as well as creating and implementing ICT-based language learning and teaching methodologies. The applicant will also actively promote collaborative learning by forming partnerships with domestic and international educational institutions through the use of ICT. Additionally, the applicant will contribute to education and research as a cooperative member of the Division of Language and Culture within the Graduate School of Humanities. This role involves supervising and instructing graduate students in the field of second language education. The applicant will also be responsible for language courses at the Center for Multilingual Education.<br><br>As the Head of the division, the applicant will collaborate with the Cybermedia Education Research Division of the D3 Center and dedicate 35% of their efforts to university-wide educational support tasks. These tasks include designing and implementing advanced ICT-supported foreign language education environments, delivering ICT-assisted language education, and conducting faculty development to support ICT-based instruction. Please note that the nature of these university-wide support activities may evolve in response to changing circumstances. |
| 1. Position | Professor |
| 2. Number of Positions | 1 (One) |
| 3. Affiliation | D3 Center (Language Education Support Research Division) |
| 4. Work Location | Toyonaka Campus（1-32 Machikaneyama-cho, Toyonaka, Osaka 560-0043, Japan） |
| 5. Specialized Field | ICT-supported foreign language education, ICT environment development for language education, ICT-based international collaborative education |
| 6. Responsibilities | ・Research in the above-mentioned fields<br>・Teaching and advising graduate students<br>・Teaching general education language courses (assigned language will depend on applicant's background)<br>・University-wide educational support tasks (35% effort as described in the overview)<br>・Administrative duties related to the D3 Center and campus ICT initiatives |
| 7. Qualifications | [Mandatory requirements] |
| | 1) A doctoral degree or equivalent academic qualifications.<br>2) Outstanding research accomplishments in the relevant fields.<br>3) Ability to teach and supervise students at the Graduate School of Humanities and the Center for Multilingual Education; must have strong language proficiency and academic expertise in the assigned teaching language.<br>4) Sufficient proficiency in both Japanese and the teaching language necessary to effectively perform the duties outlined in point 3.<br>5) Relevant experience and capability to fulfill the management responsibilities described in the overview.<br>6) A high level of academic integrity and character that is appropriate for a professor at the University of Osaka. |
| | [Preferred requirements] |
| | 1) Expertise in the fields identified in Section 5 (listed in order of priority; expertise in multiple fields is preferred).<br>2) Ability to conduct research using ICT in the above fields and develop domestic and international collaborative research with other fields and organizations.<br>3) The position entails a diverse range of tasks, including providing university-wide support, conducting research, and delivering education, as well as collaborating with external organizations. |

| | Therefore, the candidate must be able to balance these tasks and have sufficient experience in management.. <br> 4) The capability to propose and articulate future directions for ICT-supported language education. |
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| 8. Starting Date | April 1, 2026 (earlier appointment possible depending on circumstances) |
| 9. Term of Employment | No Fixed Term (Until the end of the fiscal year at 65 years of age) |
| 10. Probationary Period | 6 months |
| 11. Employment Form | Based on "6. Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff" <br> https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html <br><br> *The Discretionary Labor System, Special Work Type will be applied with the applicant's consent. <br><br> (deemed working hours: 8 hours a day) |
| 12. Salary and Benefits | Based on "18. Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff Subject to New Annual Salary System" <br><br> https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html |
| 13. Insurance | Medical insurance and employee's pension insurance of the Federation of National Public Service Personnel Mutual Aid Associations, Employment Insurance and Industrial Accident Compensation Insurance |
| 14. Application Documents | All documents may be submitted in either Japanese or English. <br> 1. Curriculum Vitae <br> Download the designated format ("Academic Staff Application Form") from: <br> https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/ja/news/employ/links <br> 2. List of Research Achievements <br> Include peer-reviewed papers, non-peer-reviewed articles, review papers, books, patents, and domestic/international presentations. Separate the peer-reviewed items and include DOI numbers if available. Researchmap or ORCID profiles are preferred. <br> 3. PDF Copies of Five Major Peer-Reviewed Papers <br> 4. Summary of Research Achievements <br> Provide a summary within ten A4 pages, highlighting outstanding results in 5. Specialized Field. <br> 5. Summary of Experience and Accomplishments in ICT-Supported Language Education <br> This summary should be within eight A4 pages and should cover your experience in developing ICT language environments, international collaborative education via ICT, seminars, and faculty development for ICT teaching. Include concrete, itemized examples that demonstrate your capacity for university-wide support duties mentioned in the overview. <br> 6. Vision and Aspirations for Future Research <br> Describe your vision and aspirations for future research in ICT-supported language education and international collaborative ICT education, within four A4 pages. <br> 7. Proposals for the Future of ICT-Based Foreign Language Education and Research at Universities <br> Provide your proposals within four A4 pages. <br> 8. References <br> Include the names, affiliations, and contact details of two referees. <br><br> Note: Personal information submitted will be used solely for selection and personnel procedures and will not be disclosed to third parties. |
| 15. Sending Address and Contact Information | Send the application form using the Web application function from the relevant entry on JREC-IN Portal (D125081366). (Do not send it to the contact address.) <br><br> Contact Person: Professor Daisuke Furihata <br> E-Mail: apply-d3c-les-prof-2025@ml.office.osaka-u.ac.jp |
| 16. Application Deadline | September 30, 2025 (Japan Standard Time) |

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| 17. Selection Process | Document screening will be followed by interviews. Only applicants who pass the document screening will be notified within six weeks after the application deadline at the latest.<br>* Interviews will be conducted online or in person, depending on the circumstances, the applicant will be responsible for the travel expenses and accommodation expenses for the interview.<br>*Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted. |
| 18. Additional Information | Concerning work conditions other than the above-mentioned, please refer to "3. Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff" and/or related regulations.<br>https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html<br>Please note the above-mentioned work conditions are as of the day this employment offer is posted, and subject to change.<br>After employment, the affiliation, work location, and responsibilities may be subject to change within the limits set by the University.<br><br>"Deemed exports" related to security export control are based on "Regulations Pertaining to Security Export Control".<br>Osaka University Security Export Control Regulations .pdf<br><br>We also particularly encourage applications from female candidates.<br>The University of Osaka is committed to promoting gender equality and providing various supports for female academic staff members.<br>http://www.di.osaka-u.ac.jp/en_lp/<br><br>35% of your effort should be dedicated to the following education-related university-wide support work (such as establishing an advanced ICT-supported foreign language education environment, implementing ICT-supported foreign language education, and faculty development for implementing ICT-supported classes) in collaboration with the Cybermedia Education Research Division.<br>Note that the content of the university-wide support services may change over time in response to situation.<br><br>*The University of Osaka campuses and related facilities are smoke-free, except for designated areas. |
| 19. Recruiter | The University of Osaka |