

National University Corporation Tohoku University
Graduate School of Information Sciences
Call for Applicants

1. Number of positions and job title: We are seeking one professor
2. Affiliation: Successful candidate will be assigned to the laboratory of Political Communication within the Department of Human-Social Information Sciences at the Graduate School of Information Sciences.
3. Duties: Successful candidate will be engaged in research and education related to political science. In particular, we will call for applicants who approach political issues arising in the modern information society by means of mathematical or quantitative methods.
4. Required Qualifications and Conditions: Candidates must possess a doctoral degree and have globally outstanding achievements and prospects in the above-mentioned specialized field. Applicants must have a strong desire to conduct research and education. All nationalities are welcome, but applicants must be able to conduct lectures and perform on-campus duties in Japanese.
5. The main areas for which the successful candidate will be responsible:
 - At Graduate School level
 - Lectures, seminars, and thesis supervision for graduate students who enrolled in master's and doctoral programs in the Graduate School of Information Sciences.
 - At Undergraduate level
 - Lectures on political science for undergraduate students in their first and second years.
6. Start Date: (the earliest possible day after) April 1, 2027
7. Salary and Benefits
 - (1) Salary: to be determined in accordance with Tohoku University's employment regulations.
 - (2) Employment status: Full Time
 - (3) Term of office: Tenured
 - (4) Hours: The discretionary labor system for professional work shall apply. The standard working hours are 8:30 to 17:15, but the actual working hours are at the discretion of each employee.
 - (5) Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays, National Holidays, New Year's Holidays (Dec. 29 - Jan. 3)
 - (6) Insurance: Admission into the MEXT Mutual Aid Association; provision of unemployment insurance and worker's accident insurance

8. Application materials:

(1) Curriculum Vitae (free format)

(2) List of Research Achievements

① Books (If co-authored, please specify your contribution)

② Journal articles

③ Presentations at International Conferences (Please specify the presenter)

④ Other Notable Achievements (Awards, acquisition of competitive research funding, academic and social activities, etc.)

Note: Please specify whether each of the achievements in ①-③ is peer-reviewed.

(3) Explanation of your research achievements and summaries of the top 5 achievements from ① and ② in (2) above (approximately 2 pages on A4 paper).

(4) Aspirations for your future research and education (approximately 1 page each on A4 paper)

Please note that your application documents will be disposed of appropriately after the personnel selection process is complete.

9. Application Deadline: Application documents must arrive by June 30, 2026 18:00 (JST)

10. Selection Process: After document screening, you may be asked to give a presentation to our staff (Please note that travel expenses for the presentation will not be provided. The presentation may be conducted online at our discretion).

11. Address to which applications should be sent: Please send materials via email to [is-kobo@grp.tohoku.ac.jp] following these instructions: Please convert each of the required documents (1) to (4) into PDF format. Then, combine them into a ZIP file and send it as an attachment. Please contact us if the file size exceeds 25MB. For books, if a full-text PDF is not available, a PDF of the initial few pages from the cover to the table of contents is acceptable. You will receive a confirmation email from the staff member in charge. If you do not receive a confirmation email within approximately 48 hours after you sent the email, please contact us.

11. Contact Details: Professor Naohito Tokugawa, Head of the Department of Human-Social Information Science, Graduate School of Information Sciences
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12. Remarks:

- Tohoku University promotes activities to increase Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) and encourages people of varied talents from all backgrounds to apply for positions at the university.

Tohoku University's website about the DEI Declaration is here:

<https://dei.tohoku.ac.jp/en/vision/about/>

- Pursuant to Article 8 of the Act on Equal Opportunity and Treatment between Men and Women in Employment, Tohoku University shall, as a measure for increasing the

presence of women among the academic staff, prioritize the hiring of women deemed qualified for each job opening, based on impartial evaluation.

- Tohoku University has published 'Tohoku University-Live as Who You Are-Guidelines for Gender and Sexual Diversity' to provide explanations and details of how those at the university should respond with respect to diverse sexuality. The purpose of the guidelines is to create an environment in which all students, faculty, and staff respect diverse sexuality in their academic, research, and professional activities.

Please see the Tohoku University Center for Gender Equality Promotion website:

https://dei.tohoku.ac.jp/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/EN_GuideLine.pdf

- Tohoku University has the largest on-campus childcare system of all Japanese national universities. This network comprises three nurseries: Kawauchi Keyaki Nursery school (capacity: 22) and Aobayama Midori Nursery school (116), both open to all university employees, as well as Hoshinoko Nursery school (120), which is open to employees working at Tohoku University Hospital. In addition, Tohoku University Hospital runs a childcare room for mildly ill and convalescent children which is available to all university employees
- See the following website for information on these and other programs that Tohoku University runs to assist work-life balance, to support researchers, and to advance gender equality, including measures to promote childcare leave among male employees.

Center for Diversity,Equity,and Inclusion,Tohoku University Website:

https://dei.tohoku.ac.jp/en/support_program/consulting/for_family/

Human Resources and Planning Department website:

<https://c.bureau.tohoku.ac.jp/jinji-top/external/a-4-kosodate/>