

Call for Applications: Tenured Position at College of Informatics, Shizuoka University

Type of Position/Number

One Assistant Professor or Lecturer (tenured position, annual salary as per Shizuoka University pay scale norms)

Affiliation

College of Informatics, Department of Socio-Information Studies

Date of Employment

On or as soon as possible after 1 April 2022

Research Specialty

English Education, Communication Studies, Linguistics, Cultural Anthropology, or other Humanities-related Fields

Teaching Duties

- (1) General Education: English for other faculties' students; Freshman Guidance Seminar; Liberal Arts; Interdisciplinary Subjects
- (2) Undergraduate Level Specialized Courses: Communication Skills; Specialized English Subjects; Intercultural Communication; Globalization and Culture; and others
- (3) Graduate Level Specialized Courses: Practical English; and others

Qualifications

Candidates should:

- (1) hold a doctorate (or be in the finishing stages of acquiring a doctorate), or possess an equivalent level of professional accomplishments;
- (2) be able to teach General Education English courses;
- (3) be able to lecture and conduct other types of classes on specialized subjects in English.
- (4) be able to perform key administrative and organizing tasks for our English program, including: course teaching assignment management; and helping to consolidate and expand our English curriculum;
- (5) demonstrate research achievements in the field of humanities and social sciences related to language, culture, society, history, and/or literature of the English-speaking world with an eye toward the effects/impact of globalization;
- (6) demonstrate interest in informatics research and willingness to conduct research in this field
- (7) demonstrate an ability to enthusiastically and actively participate in committee duties and other work related to the administration/management of the Faculty of Informatics;
- (8) demonstrate Japanese language ability (if Japanese is not the candidate's native language) sufficient for communicating with university staff and performing faculty duties competently.

Selection Method

- As a general rule, face-to-face interviews will be conducted primarily in Japanese for a select number of applicants who are judged to be qualified after review of documents. (note, candidates will not be reimbursed for travel expenses; also, depending on the COVID-19 situation at the time or other special circumstances, there is a possibility that interviews will be conducted online). On this occasion, each

candidate will be asked to give a presentation in Japanese explaining their research work and also to present a model Communication Skills lesson/lecture in English (Q+A following presentation will also involve questions in English and Japanese) based on our current syllabus for Communication Skills I, which is available for review at:

http://syllabus.shizuoka.ac.jp/ext_syllabus/referenceDirect.do?nologin=on&subjectID=213700090298&formatCD=1&enSearchFlag=

- As part of our university's policy for promoting gender equality in employment opportunity and workplace participation, in the event that a male and a female candidate are found to be otherwise equally qualified for the position, priority will be given to hiring the female candidate.
- As part of our university's internationalization policy of promoting greater workplace participation by people from non-Japanese backgrounds, priority will be given to hiring a non-Japanese candidate and/or a candidate with degrees from non-Japanese universities.

Application Documents to be Submitted

- (1) Academic curriculum vitae
- (2) List of research accomplishments (On this list, please indicate with a circle mark next to the entry for each of what you consider to be your five [or fewer] most significant research accomplishments, and for each of these, provide a summary description of about 200 Japanese characters in length; also, for all entries in the list, indicate if the academic journal articles, international conference papers, conference presentations, etc., were refereed or not.)
- (3) A PDF file copy for each of the entries you indicated with a circle mark in your list of research accomplishments
- (4) An essay (in Japanese) of about 2000 Japanese characters in length explaining your personal aspirations/goals regarding the following: Education/Pedagogy; Research; Administrative/Management Work; and Contributions to Society/Community Outreach.
- (5) The names, institutional affiliations, and email addresses of two individuals who can provide professional references for the candidate.

Note 1: Please save items (1) through (5) on a USB flash drive to be included in the package you send to the Address for Application Materials Submission listed below. For this flash drive, please ensure that items (1), (2), (4), and (5) are saved as password-protected PDF files. Please inform the Contact for Additional Information faculty member listed below of the password to unlock these files by way of a separate email, letter, etc. (n.b. item (3) files do not have to be encoded)

Note 2: If any of the item (3) materials are too large/unwieldy (e.g., a book) to provide in PDF file format, you may send an actual printed version.

Note 3: While we do not, as a policy, return application materials, if you wish such materials to be returned to you, please include in your application package a self-addressed stamped envelope of sufficient size and paid postage to cover mailing costs for this purpose.

Application Deadline

All applications must be received by October 1, 2021.

Address for Application Materials Submission

Please address the application materials package/envelope to:

Dean, Faculty of Informatics
Shizuoka University
Johoku 3-5-1
Hamamatsu-Shi Naka-Ku
432-8011 JAPAN

Underneath that address, please write the following in **RED** ink and ALL CAPS:

**APPLICATION MATERIALS FOR FACULTY OF INFORMATICS (ENGLISH
EDUCATION) POSITION**

Please send the application materials package/envelope by REGISTERED MAIL.

Contact for Additional Information

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- For more information on the organizational structure, educational activities, and research activities of the Faculty of Informatics and the Graduate School of Integrated Science and Technology, Department of Informatics, please visit our website at: <http://www.inf.shizuoka.ac.jp>
- If the candidate has experienced a period of interruption in their research activities due to childbirth and/or childcare leave, please indicate as much in application materials, and this will be taken into consideration when assessing the candidate's research achievements.