

Recruitment Information for Associate Professor or Lecturer of Asian Studies

Associate Professor or Assistant Professor/Lecturer (sennin koshi) level, Department of Pioneering Asian Studies, Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, The University of Tokyo [Research field: Asian Studies]

The Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia at the University of Tokyo plans to employ an Associate Professor or Lecturer starting April 2026 to promote excellence in Asian Studies across regions and disciplines and to strengthen the Institute's Department of Pioneering Asian Studies.

There is no specific geographical or disciplinary focus requirement for this appointment, but applicants must hold a Ph.D. in Asian Studies or a related field at the time of application. In addition, applicants will be required to have the competencies needed to carry out the duties listed below.

Position	Associate Professor, Assistant Professor/Lecturer (sennin koshi) level
Number of hired	1 person
Starting date	April 1, 2026. (the start date can be negotiated.)
Employment type	Regular employee
Trial period	6 months from the date of employment.
Work location	The University of Tokyo, 7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan ※Scope of change: The University will assign the faculty member to a designated location (in principle, the faculty member will not be ordered to be reassigned or transferred against their will. For details, please refer to Article 4 of the Regulations Concerning the Employment of University of Tokyo Faculty Members).
Job Details	1) Engage in innovative research on the Asian region. 2) Teach classes and provide research guidance in English at the undergraduate and graduate levels. 3) Japanese language ability to perform the duties of a faculty member of the University of Tokyo. ※Scope of change: The University will assign the faculty member to a designated location (in principle, the faculty member will not be ordered to be reassigned or transferred against their will. For details, please refer to Article 4 of the Regulations Concerning the Employment of University of Tokyo Faculty Members)
Working Hours	Discretionary Labor System: Based on the starting time (9:00) ending time (17:30), allocation of working time shall be determined at the discretion of the Employee (Deemed work day : 7 hours 45 minutes).
Days Off	Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, year-end and NewYear s (from December 29 to January 3 of the following year).

Wages	Annual salary range: 6.19 million yen-9.42 million yen The annual salary will be set based on such factors as work and teaching experience, and academic achievements.
Insurance	Appointees will be enrolled in the Mutual Aid Association of Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology as well as employment insurance.
Required Qualifications	[Details of official qualifications, requirements (e.g., education, degrees), experience (years or more), and expertise in the specific field required for the work] 1) Outstanding research achievements in multiple countries or regions in Asia, fluency in the languages of the focused countries and regions, and the ability to conduct innovative, cross-disciplinary research that goes beyond traditional area studies. 2) Publication record of at least one single-authored book (already published or confirmed to be published) or a set of academic articles of equivalent quality and quantity. 3) Ability to conduct classes and research instruction in English at the undergraduate and graduate levels. 4) Japanese language ability to perform duties required as a faculty member of the University of Tokyo.
Application documents	1) Curriculum vitae (please also include complete contact details). 2) A list of research achievements (including books and papers, oral presentations, classes taught, and any external or competitive research funds the applicant has obtained as a principal investigator). 3) PDF files or originals or copies of three representative works, including books and papers. However, each should be accompanied by an abstract of approximately 800 characters for Japanese or 400 words for English. 4) A copy of the doctoral degree certificate. 5) Two letters of recommendation. 6) An outline of research plan for the next five years (maximum 1,500 words in English). *How to submit the application documents: In principle, the documents should be submitted by e-mail as an attachment or a link that allows the file to be downloaded (the title of the e-mail should be “Application for Associate Professor or Lecturer, Department of Pioneering Asian Studies”). 7) Declaration (form available below) regarding past criminal penalties, administrative actions, and disciplinary actions due to sexual harassment and sexual violence against students. ‘Download the form here’

Application method	The application file should be addressed to: Search Committee (Associate Professor or Lecturer, Department of Pioneering Asian Studies), Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, The University of Tokyo 7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113-0033 It should be sent by email to koubo04@ioc.u-tokyo.ac.jp [Selection/Notification of result] First screening: By application form Final selection: By online interview [Notification of result] Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by email and informed of the date of the interview.
Contact	Search Committee (Associate Professor or Lecturer, Department of Pioneering Asian Studies), Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, The University of Tokyo 7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113-0033E-mail: koubo04@ioc.u-tokyo.ac.jp ※If you do not receive a receipt confirmation e-mail within 2-3 days, please contact us.
Application period	May 1, 2025- July 31, 2025 (Deadline for receipt)
Employer	The University of Tokyo
Others	• Status of measures to prevent passive smoking: No smoking on the premises (smoking areas are available outside) • Personal information obtained will not be used for any purpose other than this personnel selection process. • In accordance with the “the University of Tokyo Declaration of Gender Equality Acceleration,” women are actively encouraged to apply. • If, at the time of employment, a person is under contract as an individual with a foreign corporation, foreign government, etc., or is receiving money or other significant benefits from a foreign government, etc., the sharing of certain technologies may be restricted by the provisions of the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Law, and as a result, the person may have difficulty in accomplishing his/her duties as a faculty member of the University. In such cases, such contracts and benefits should be limited to the extent that they do not interfere with the sharing of technology necessary for job duties.