

National University Corporation Tohoku University
Graduate School of Arts and Letters
Call for Applicants

1. Number of positions and job title: We are seeking one associate professor
2. Affiliation: National University Corporation Tohoku University Graduate School of Arts and Letters, Global Humanities (Department of European and American History)
3. Duties: Successful candidates will be engaged in research and education related to European and American history.
4. Required Qualifications and Conditions:
Applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements:
 - (1) hold a doctoral degree.
 - (2) specialize in ancient European history or medieval/early modern European history and be able to provide teaching and research guidance using Latin and French texts.
 - (3) be able to teach classes, supervise students and other university duties in Japanese.
5. The main areas for which the successful candidate will be responsible:

At Graduate School level
History of Ancient and Medieval Europe (Advanced Lecture), History of Ancient and Medieval Europe (Advanced Seminar), etc.

At Undergraduate level
History of European and American History (General Lecture), History of European and American History (Special Lecture), History of European and American History (Introductory Reading), History of American History (Seminar), etc.

Teaching all subjects in Japanese
6. Start Date: April 1, 2026
7. Salary and Benefits
 - (1) Salary: to be determined in accordance with Tohoku University's employment regulations. Allowances for transport, housing, and dependents may be provided depending on circumstances.
 - (2) Employment status: Full Time
 - (3) Term of office: Tenured/ Non-tenured (5-year contract, depending on the research achievements and teaching experience, may be hired as tenure-track associate professor)
 - (4) Hours:

The discretionary labor system for professional work shall apply.

Flexible Work Hours: 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

Application Form: Online Submission (JREC-IN Portal web application)

1) A copy of curriculum vitae with an attached photo taken within the last 3 months.

It must include the following:

a) Full name, contact address, phone number, and an email address.

b) Educational background from high school graduation to the highest academic degree obtained, including the year and month of the start and end of each educational program.

c) Employment history, including the year and month of the start and end of each employment.

2) A copy of the complete list of academic publications and other research activities. Please list books, articles, and book reviews and other shorter materials separately.

3) A copy of three major research achievement, such as a book, published paper, etc. and the summary/abstract 400 letters of each in Japanese in A4 sized paper.

4) Statement of research activity to the present and a concise summary of the candidate's perspective on education and research in related subjects (2,000 letters in Japanese in A4 sized paper).

All the submitted personal data will not be used for any other purposes except for employment screening this time.

9. Application Deadline

Application documents must arrive by September 30, 2025

10. Address to which applications should be sent

Online Submission (JREC-IN Portal web application)

11. Contact Details

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Selection committee (European and American History)

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12. Remarks

- We may ask you to interview.
- Additional submission of achievements and other matters may be requested.
- 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/vision/about/>

- Pursuant to Article 8 of the Act on Securing, Etc. of 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 Center for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Tohoku University website:

https://dei.tohoku.ac.jp/vision/consulting/for_minority/

- 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/vision/consulting/for_family/

Human Resources and Planning Department website:

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