

Professor Position
at the Department of Civil and Earth Resources Engineering,
Graduate School of Engineering, Kyoto University

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Job title	Professor
Number	One person
Location	Applied Mechanics Laboratory, Department of Civil and Earth Resources Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering, Kyoto University, C-cluster, Kyotodaigaku-Katsura, Nishikyo, Kyoto Home, etc., if telecommuting is permitted or ordered by the university.
Job description	The Applied Mechanics Laboratory promotes fundamental research in continuum mechanics, specifically computational mechanics focusing on solids, fluids, and fluid-structure interaction. The research mission of this position is to conduct advanced research in computational fluid dynamics and fluid-structure interaction analysis, and to apply the results to various problems in hydraulic engineering and structural engineering. The educational mission of this position is to deliver English-language lectures within the International Course Program of Civil Engineering at the Undergraduate School of Civil, Environmental and Resources Engineering and the postgraduate level lectures in the Department of Civil and Earth Resources Engineering and the Department of Urban Management, Faculty of Engineering, Kyoto University. The successful candidate will be required to deliver the following courses offered by the Faculty of Engineering in collaboration with other academic staff: “Hydraulics I and Exercises”, “Hydraulics II”, “Continuum Mechanics”, “River/Coastal Engineering”, and “Design for Infrastructure I”. In addition, the candidate will be required to deliver lectures “Thermodynamics” in the liberal arts and general education course and “Computational Fluid Dynamics” in the postgraduate course. The research activities related to fluid mechanics within this laboratory are conducted in close collaboration with the Hydraulic Engineering Laboratories in the Department of Civil and Earth Resources Engineering and the Department of Urban Management. In the research and educational activities carried out by the International Course Program, the successful candidate will be expected to contribute to the management of school-related duties in cooperation with the Hydraulic Engineering Laboratories of both departments.

Requirements	The successful candidate must possess: (i) a PhD or Doctor of Engineering/Science degree in Hydraulics/Hydraulic Engineering or a related field, (ii) a distinguished research record aligned with the laboratory's mission, (iii) academic and/or practical experience in universities or research institutions, (iv) the ability and enthusiasm to manage the International Course Program and the laboratory, (v) strong verbal and written communication skills in English, and (vi) the capability to deliver lectures in English. The successful candidate is required to have a level of Japanese language proficiency sufficient for ordinary conversation. Furthermore, he/she must accept that meetings within the department are generally conducted in Japanese and that communication in Japanese may be required in supervising students assigned to his/her research laboratory. Furthermore, as evidence of the above item (ii), it is recommended that objective information be provided, such as: (a) experience of leading role in an international academic society; (b) a track record of numerous publications and citations in SCI-indexed journals; and (c) experience in an editorial capacity (such as an editor-in-chief, associate editor, or board member) for SCI-indexed journals.
Contract Start Date	Anticipated to be April 1st, 2027, or as soon as possible thereafter
Probation period	Six months in accordance with the regulations of Kyoto University
Business hours	Full-time employment in a discretionary work system, based on 7 hours, 45 minutes (8:30-17:15 work schedule with a one-hour break) per day, 38 hours 45 minutes per week. 8:30am ~ 5:15pm (break 12:00pm ~ 1:00pm)/ 5 days a week, when Discretionary work system for specialist staff is not applied. Overtime may be required when necessary. Days off: Saturday, Sunday, national holidays, Year-end and New Year holidays, Foundation Day.
Salary and allowance	To be determined in accordance with Kyoto University regulations
Social insurance	Eligible for MEXT* mutual aid association membership, Employee's pension insurance, Unemployment insurance and Worker's accident insurance *Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

Referral Instructions	Please submit the following documents electronically in Portable Document Format (PDF) via the JREC-IN Portal site. Please prepare all documents in English and submit them. 1) A curriculum vitae with photograph, including the following items: (a) address, (b) contact information (telephone number and e-mail address), (c) identification number of ORCID and Web of Science ResearcherID, (d) educational history from high school onward, (e) employment history, (f) experience holding a leading role in an international academic society, (g) experience in an editorial capacity (such as an editor-in-chief, associate editor, or board member) for SCI-indexed journals, (h) other qualifications, and (i) academic awards. 2) A publication list divided into sections for (a) peer-reviewed or refereed journal papers indexed in Web of Science with DOI, (b) peer-reviewed or refereed journal papers not indexed in Web of Science with DOI, (c) peer-reviewed or refereed proceedings papers, (d) published or edited books or book chapters, (e) patents. 3) Reprints or copies of five papers that best represent the candidate's research. 4) List of awards, including the year received and details. 5) Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research and other competitive research funds obtained during the last 10 years. 6) A concise personal statement (in 3–5 A4 pages) detailing the candidate's research achievements and outlining the candidate's teaching experience and professional employment. 7) A concise personal statement (in 3–5 A4 pages) describing the candidate's future research and educational vision after the assignment in the Department. 8) A list of two references with contact information whom the University may contact for opinions on the candidate's research and teaching experience.
Application Deadline	October 20th, 2026
Screening	The Selection Committee will evaluate all candidates based on the submitted documents. If necessary, an interview may be scheduled online or in-person depending. No traveling allowance will be provided to interviewees. Each candidate will be notified of the final decision regarding their application individually.

Notes	• The university will not return your application documents. Personal information contained in the application documents will be used solely for the purpose of screening applicants, and never for any other purposes. • Kyoto University is committed to fostering a culturally diverse environment. This open position offers equal opportunities to all applicants, regardless of disability. • Detailed information about all mentioned laboratory and departments can be found at the following. Applied Mechanics: https://www.ce.t.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/information/laboratory/apply_mecha Civil and Earth Resources Engineering: https://www.ce.t.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/index.html?set_language=en Urban Management: http://www.um.t.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/index.html?set_language=en • After being hired, he or she belongs to the Faculty Consort of Global Engineering and works at Department of Civil and Earth Resources Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering, Kyoto University. And he or she will be assigned to the International Course Program of Civil Engineering at the Undergraduate School of Civil, Environmental and Resources Engineering. • As part of Kyoto University's measures to promote gender equality, and in accordance with Article 8 of the Act on Securing, Etc. of Equal Opportunity and Treatment between Men and Women in Employment, women will be given priority in hiring when candidates are deemed equally qualified in the selection process. • Kyoto University prohibits smoking indoors on all campuses and limits smoking to designated outdoor areas to prevent passive smoking. • Kyoto University is committed to preventing harassment against job applicants in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and has established the following measures, including the creation of a consultation desk. https://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/ja/about/foundation/human-rights/harassment
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