

September 18, 2026

**Job Opening for Tenure Track Assistant/Associate Professor  
Institute of Economic Research, Kyoto University**

The Institute of Economic Research, Kyoto University, invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor position.

The appointment is for a six-year term, with the possibility of promotion to a tenured position subject to a mid-term review conducted by the end of the third year and a final review conducted by the end of the fifth year. Upon successful completion of these reviews, the appointee may be promoted to a tenured position at the beginning of the sixth year. In exceptional cases, a tenure-track faculty member with an outstanding research record may be promoted before the fifth year.

For further details, please refer to Ordinance on Tenure-Track Positions of the Institute:

[https://fsv.iimc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/public/e86AQxKfPuXABZmMz76P1\\_hJH22ubVRXiB2ImlgjxgHW](https://fsv.iimc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/public/e86AQxKfPuXABZmMz76P1_hJH22ubVRXiB2ImlgjxgHW)

The selection criteria include:

- (1) a strong record of research achievement meeting international standards;
- (2) the ability to conduct advanced economic research in areas relevant to the Institute; and
- (3) a willingness to participate actively in collaborative research.

For information on the research fields of current faculty members, please see:

<https://www.kier.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/faculty/>

### **Job Description**

The successful candidate will conduct research in advanced economic theory.

### **Requirements**

Applicants must hold a Ph.D. or be expected to obtain one by the start date of employment. They should also be actively engaged in research areas relevant to the Institute's activities.

Before a final offer of employment is made, the successful candidate will be required to sign a letter of consent agreeing to comply with the Kyoto University Code on Terms of Employment for Faculty Members.

### **Evaluation Process**

All applications will be screened based on the criteria described above. Applicants who pass the initial screening will be invited to proceed to the next stage of the selection process, which will include a research presentation and interviews with faculty members of the Institute.

### **Expected Start of Employment**

April 1, 2027, or later.

### **Probation Period**

6 months.

### **Work Location**

Institute of Economic Research, Kyoto University  
(Main Building, North Building, or General Research Building No. 2)  
Yoshida-Honmachi, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto, Japan

If telework is permitted or required by the University, work may also be performed from the employee's home or another approved location.

### **Working Hours**

Under the Discretionary Work System:

7 hours and 45 minutes per day (38 hours and 45 minutes per week)

If the Discretionary Work System does not apply:

From 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m., with a one-hour break from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Overtime may be required when necessary.

Days Off:

Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays as stipulated by the Act on National Holidays, year-end and New Year holidays, and the anniversary of the founding of Kyoto University.

### **Salary and Benefits**

Salary and benefits will be determined in accordance with the applicable employment regulations of Kyoto University.

### **Social Insurance**

The appointee will be eligible for membership in the MEXT Mutual Aid Association,\* as well as employment insurance and workers' compensation insurance.

\*MEXT: Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

### **Application**

At the time of application, applicants must submit the following materials:

- (1) Completed application form: Please download the application form from:

<https://fsv.iimc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/public/J8aDQe9frJXIYAngs95tHk6E-jZ3kNqcZYYyJP6fq3R>

JEL Classifications: <https://www.aeaweb.org/jel/guide/jel.php>

- (2) Curriculum vitae and a list of publications and research papers.
- (3) A copy of one research paper that represents the applicant's research.
- (4) Three letters of recommendation.

### **Application Procedure**

Please submit the materials listed in (1)–(3) above by email to the address below. The subject line should be “Applicant's Name: Application for Faculty Position” (e.g., “Mary Smith: Application for Faculty Position”). Alternatively, these materials (1)–(3) may be submitted by post. Please write “Application for Faculty Position” in red ink on the front of the envelope.

The letter of recommendation listed in (4) should be submitted directly by the referee, either by email or by post, to the address below. If submitted by email, the subject line should be “Applicant’s Name: Letter of Recommendation for Faculty Position.” The letter must be received by the application deadline.

All personal information provided by applicants will be handled with due care in accordance with Japan’s Act on the Protection of Personal Information and the relevant regulations of Kyoto University. Application materials and information will not be made public; however, the Institute may seek additional references if necessary. Submitted application materials will not be returned.

### **Submission Address**

E-mail: [soumu-jinji@kier.kyoto-u.ac.jp](mailto:soumu-jinji@kier.kyoto-u.ac.jp)

Recruitment Committee, Institute of Economic Research, Kyoto University,  
Yoshida-Honmachi, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto 606-8501, Japan.

### **Due Date**

All materials **must** arrive at the Institute on or before November 6, 2026, 5:00 p.m. (Japan Standard Time).

### **Gender Equality**

Kyoto University is committed to promoting gender equality. Women are encouraged to apply. When candidates are deemed equally qualified based on the overall evaluation, preference will be given to female candidates.

### **Other**

To prevent exposure to secondhand smoke, Kyoto University prohibits smoking both indoors and outdoors on all campuses, except in designated smoking areas.

### **Contact Information**

For inquiries, please contact:

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