

Open Call for a Tenure-track Position

Research Institute for Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery of Niigata University invites applications for the Tenure-Track position at the Assistant Professor or Associate Professor level. We seek accomplished young individuals who can enhance the research capabilities of the university and display extraordinary leadership as new generation of leaders. The tenure-track selection process evaluates not only research skills, but also comprehensive abilities as leaders (administration, motivation, planning skills, analytical skills and internationality).

1. Institution (Research) Research Institute for Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery, Niigata University
2. Department (Education) Graduate School of Science and Technology
3. Subjects Advanced subjects related to Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery
4. Position Tenure-track position at assistant or associate professor level
5. Starting date January 1, 2017
6. Allowance Monthly salary will be paid in accordance with the pay regulations of Niigata University.
7. Employment of Conditions
 - (1) To promote academic research related to advanced natural hazards and disaster recovery (Environmental dynamics, Cascading and linked multi-hazards, Hazard mitigation, and Societal safety systems) in collaboration with other staff members of the institute. A research budget of 4,500,000 Japanese Yen is available for the first fiscal year (January 1 – March 31, 2017).
 - (2) Initial term of employment: until March 31, 2019 then renewed as an assistant professor or an associate professor of Center for Transdisciplinary Research of Niigata University until not later than April 2023.
 - (3) Permanent position at the Research Institute for Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery will be given upon tenure review for tenured assistant professor or associate professor, from the aspects of “academic achievements,” “educational activities,” “external fund raising,” “contribution to local / international exchange,” and others.
 - (4) Work space will be given in the building of the Research Institute for Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery.
8. Eligibility
 - (1) Doctoral degree conferred within the last 10 years, or an equivalent research career (Including equivalent degrees such as a PhD from an overseas university)
 - (2) Under 40 years old at April 1, 2019 (born later than April 2, 1979*)
 - (3) Able to start on January 1, 2017 or no later than March 1, 2017
 - (4) Fluent in English and be able to give lectures and research guidance in English
 - (5) The successful candidate must have ability and enthusiasm to conduct research and education in collaboration with other staff members of the institute.

*The Tenure-Track System Promotion Program, funded by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), follows the project policy of MEXT

*Applications from overseas researchers are especially encouraged. Among applicants with equal achievement levels, overseas researchers may have

- priority.
9. Application documents
- (1) A curriculum vitae with a photograph of the applicant's face and with his/her signature, including name, date of birth, gender, postal address, telephone number, e-mail address, details of doctoral degree, awards/punishments, academic background, and professional career.
 - (2) A list of academic publications: Books and book chapters, doctoral (Ph.D.) thesis, refereed journal papers, journal papers and reports without referee, and international conference papers. Authors, title of paper, journal, volume number, pages, and year should be included in the list. The journal covered by the Science Citation Index should be denoted by '*' in the list. Reprints or copies of significant refereed journal papers (no more than five papers) should be attached to the list.
 - (3) A list of scientific research funds/grants awarded during last five years. Type of the fund, title, specifying the role (principal or co-investigator), and period of funding obtained, should be included in the list. A list of patents and utility models should be presented similarly.
 - (4) A list of awards received. Name of the award, title, name of the awardee, and date of the award should be included in the list.
 - (5) Summary of the research achievements (two pages) and the five-years plan for research and education (five-pages) on A4-size or US letter size sheets.
 - (6) Two contact persons are required to whom we can inquire questions about you. A list of his/her name, affiliation, telephone number and email address should be given.
- Notes:
- i) All submitted material including reprints of papers will not be returned.
 - ii) Information on submitted applications will be strictly confidential. Personal information will be protected appropriately in accordance with the Personal Information Protection Law and Rules of Niigata University.
10. Deadline for application
- 17:00 (Japan Standard Time = GMT+9) of October 31, 2016
(All of the documents must arrive by email)
11. Selection process
- Initial screening and shortlisting of candidates will be carried out through the evaluation of the application documents. Shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview in mid-November 2016. The candidates are expected to make an presentation on their research achievements, future research plan, etc.
Please note that travel expenses for the interview will not be provided by the university.
12. Mailing address and contact address
- (1) Mailing address for submission of application documents:
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email: kenkyushien@adm.niigata-u.ac.jp
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*Please write "Application for Tenure-Track position" in the subject of the email.

(2) For any further information, please contact:
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13. Additional
information

Niigata University promotes actions for gender equality.
Submission of the application from female researchers is welcomed. Further
information can be obtained from URL.
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Center for Transdisciplinary Research
 <http://www.niigata-u.ac.jp/transdiscipline/>
Research Institute for Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery
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