

**Professor Position in the Research Section of Crustal Activity Information,
Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University**

July 13, 2026

The Disaster Prevention Research Institute (DPRI), Kyoto University invites applications for a permanent Professor position.

Location: Research Center for Earthquake Hazards, Seismic and Volcanic Hazards Mitigation Research Group, Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University, Gokasho, Uji, Kyoto 611-0011, Japan (at home or other places if University allows or orders to work remotely).

Job description and required qualifications:

The appointed professor is required to conduct research to analyze a large volume of seismic observation data and other information using innovative ideas and methods drawing on their previous research accomplishments to elucidate the seismogenic environment, including subsurface structure and stress distribution, and the earthquake source processes, with the aim of contributing to improving the dissemination of information based on the monitoring of crustal activity. The candidate is expected to be responsible for collecting seismic observation data at the Research Center for Earthquake Hazards, as well as examining the optimization of seismic observation data and information necessary for earthquake disaster mitigation. The candidate is also expected to play a leading role within the research community in the distribution of seismic observation data from across Japan, including those collected by the Center, and the open sharing of such data and information. In addition, the candidate will have responsibility for education in the Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Graduate School of Science, Kyoto University. The candidate must hold a Ph.D. or equivalent degree and be proficient in Japanese.

Anticipated start date: As soon as possible on or after April 1, 2027

Probation period: 6 months

Working time: Discretionary labor system (standard working hours: 7 hours 45 minutes per day, 38 hours 45 minutes per week). If the discretionary labor system is not chosen the working hours are from 8:30 to 17:15 with a break between 12:00 to 13:00. Overtime may be ordered. Days off: Saturdays, Sundays, Statutory holidays under the Act on National Holidays, Year-end and New Year's holidays, and Anniversary of Foundation of the University.

Salary and Allowance: To be determined in accordance with Kyoto University regulations.

Social insurance: (1) National Public Service Mutual Aid Associations, (2) Employee's pension insurance, (3) Unemployment insurance, and (4) Worker's accident insurance

Applicants should prepare the following materials:

- (1) Curriculum vitae
- (2) List of publications (divided clearly into refereed journal papers and others)
- (3) Copies of up to five relevant papers
- (4) Brief summary of research and related contributions (up to two A4 pages)
- (5) Statement of research plans (up to two A4 pages, including figures)
- (6) Recommendation letters from two references (a recommendation letter may be substituted by the name and contact information of a reference, including the postal address, and e-mail address)

The complete application package must arrive by the deadline of 17:00 JST, October 19, 2026 at the following address:

Selection Committee for Crustal Activity Information Professor
Administrative Office, Uji Campus,
Kyoto University
Gokasho, Uji, Kyoto 611-0011 JAPAN

Applicants must send the package by registered mail or direct submission. Applicants are not allowed to submit it by e-mail or through internet.

For inquiries, you can send e-mail to apply staff 'at' dpri.kyoto-u.ac.jp (replace 'at' with @)
For more information about DPRI, see <https://www.dpri.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/>.

Additional notes

- (1) 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.
- (2) Kyoto University is building a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages applications regardless of gender or disability.
The university is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer.
- (3) With regard to the evaluation of research achievements, the impact of periods of interruption in research activities due to childbirth, childcare, nursing care, etc. (blank periods) will be taken into consideration. If there are blank periods, please indicate them at the end of the list of publications.
- (4) The university prohibits smoking in all campus buildings except in designated outside smoking areas for the purpose of preventing the adverse health effects of second-hand smoke.

Current staff of the Research Center for Earthquake Hazards (as of July 1, 2026)

Research Section	Professor	Associate Professor	Assistant Professor
Crustal Activity Information	Shiro Ohmi (Will retire on March 31, 2027) <i>this recruitment</i>	Masayuki Kano	Sandra Vaiciulyte (Concurrently served as the Research Center for Disaster Reduction Systems)
			Vacant
			Vacant
Space Geodesy	Takuya Nishimura	Peiliang Xu	Bertrand Rouet-Leduc
			Vacant
			Vacant
Inland Earthquakes	Yukitoshi Fukahata	Kenichi Yamazaki	(Scheduled to take up to the post on September 1)
	Katsuya Yamori (Concurrently served and assigned to Abuyama Obsevatory)	Genta Nakano (Concurrently served and assigned to Abuyama Obsevatory)	
Marine Seismology	Yoshihiro Ito	Vacant	Ayumu Mizutani
			Vacant
Seismic Ground Response	Shinichi Matsushima	Fumiaki Nagashima	_____
Earth Observation System	_____	Tomoaki Nishikawa	Vacant
Fault Physics	_____	Hiroyuki Noda	Vacant
Earth's Interior (Visiting Professors)	Toshitaka Baba (Visiting Professor)	_____	_____