

Global COE Program “Digital Humanities Center for Japanese Arts and Cultures”
Guideline for AY 2009 Postdoctoral Fellowship Application

We are pleased to announce the recruitment of “Postdoctoral Fellows” under the Global COE Program “Digital Humanities Center for Japanese Arts and Cultures” (hereinafter “DH Center”) for Academic Year 2009.

1. Responsibilities of Postdoctoral Fellows:

The fellows will be expected to conduct research, research support, and some other tasks under the instructions of the DH Center Director.

2. The Number of the Fellows to be Recruited: A few

3. Eligibility

- (1) An applicant for the fellowship must hold a doctoral degree (Ph.D.). Yet, at the time the Fellowship goes into effect, it should have been less than 7 years since he received the doctoral degree.
- (2) Or, an applicant must be a Ph.D. candidate who will submit a dissertation by the end of September and be scheduled to receive a doctoral degree by the end of AY 2009.
- (3) An applicant’s advisor must be one of the Project Members of the DH Center.

4. Affiliation

The successful candidate will belong to Kinugasa Research Organization.

5. Duration of the Fellowship

From October 1st, 2009 to March 31st, 2010

* In principle, a fellowship contract expires by the end of academic year, yet renewable yearly, to its maximum extent, until the end of the Global COE Program.

6. Terms and Conditions of the Fellowship

- (1) A fellow will be provided a six-month stipend of JPY 1,980,000 (including tax, maximum). The Center will make a final decision on this amount, after reviewing the fellow’s working conditions and achievements.
- (2) No allowances for commuting or any other conditions will be provided.
- (3) A fellow will get insurance from the Mutual Aid Cooperation for Private Schools of Japan as well as employment insurance.
- (4) A fellow’s labor terms and conditions not mentioned here are to be included in the contract between the successful candidate and Ritsumeikan University.
- (5) A fellow may be awarded with “The Center Grants for Young Researchers” and “The Center Grants for Young Researchers to Support Their Research Activities Abroad” after evaluation.
- (6) A fellow may apply for JSPS International Training Program (ITP).

7. Selection Process and Notification:

- (1) Based on the following criteria, the Selection Committee will conduct screening of applicants. The Director of the DH Center will hold the Committee as the chairperson. The criteria for successful applicants include:
 - * If the applicant has a high degree of potential for becoming an internationally prominent scholar.
 - * If the applicant has already achieved excellent research outcomes that prove his capability to carry out a research plan, as well as readiness for the research he is going to engage.
 - * If the applicant has a solid and promising research plan.
 - * If the would-be advisor for the applicant is an accomplished scholar, conducting research actively and ready to accept the applicant.
- (2) The selection process consists of screening of application forms and interview. The latter will be held on July 4 (Saturday), 2009.
- (3) Based on the evaluations by the Committee, appointment will be confirmed by the Administration Board of Kinugawa Research Organization where the successful applicant will be affiliated.
- (4) The DH Center will notify the screening results by mail.
- (5) Application forms submitted by the applicant will be used only for the selection purpose. Note that the submitted forms will not be returned.
- (6) Personal information received in the application forms will not be used for any purposes other than this selection.
- (7) Before actually applying, an applicant must arrange a consultation with your would-be advisor of the DH Center who agrees to accept him as a DH Postdoctoral Fellow.

8. Application Process

- (1) Applicants should submit the following prescribed application forms.

Application for Postdoctoral Fellowship
Curriculum Vitae, and Research Plan Proposal

- (2) Application Deadline

June 26 (Friday), 2009 by 17:00 (Please keep the deadline)

- (3) Submit to:

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Ritsumeikan University

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Kita-ku, Kyoto 603-8577 Japan
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- (4) The DH Center will notify the screening results by mail by the middle of July, 2009.