

Program-Specific Researcher position at the Research Center for Climate Change Adaptation
Strategy, Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University

26 February 2026

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| Type of Position | Program-Specific Researcher (Postdoc) |
| Number of Positions | 1 |
| Affiliation and location | Research Center for Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, Disaster Prevention Research Institute (DPRI), Kyoto University, Gokasho, Uji, Kyoto 611-0011, Japan (at home or other places if the University allows or orders to work remotely). |
| Job description | <p>The JST-commissioned research theme, "Advanced Data and Methods to Improve Hazard Resilience for Underrepresented Groups: Labor Shortages and Immigrant Workers in Small and Mid-Sized Businesses" focuses on small and medium-sized enterprises, and aims to conduct research and development related to: Building a database to support the rapid recovery of local economies from disasters; Quantifying resilience using economics and statistics; and Deriving support measures for businesses vulnerable to disasters.</p> <p>We are looking for researchers who can oversee the following research and development (any of them is acceptable) in carrying out this research:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research modeling disaster recovery processes using business establishment survey data through statistical and econometric approaches - Research analyzing business recovery processes utilizing alternative data such as satellite imagery and probe data - Research conducting field surveys on the social vulnerability of businesses to derive useful policy insights |
| Required qualifications | <p>[Indispensable condition]</p> <p>(1) Applicants must meet either of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Hold a doctoral degree (or be expected to obtain one by the time of appointment) or possess equivalent research or professional experience. ii) Hold a master's degree and demonstrate a strong commitment to pursuing a doctoral degree <p>(2) Have research and/or practical experience in statistics, econometrics, spatial data analysis, and practical sciences related to socio-economic activities.</p> <p>[Desirable condition]</p> <p>(3) Have experience in data analysis using econometric models and deep learning models, as well as experience in database development through field surveys and remote sensing</p> <p>(4) Have a strong motivation to reduce the socio-economic impacts of disasters and support people in vulnerable situations.</p> |
| Contract period | 1 st April 2026~31 st March 2027 (1 year) |
| Trial period | 6 months |
| Working hours | 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. |

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| | Days off: Saturdays, Sundays, Statutory holidays under the Act on National Holidays, Year-end and New Year holidays, and Anniversary of the Foundation of the University. |
| Salary | 300,000 JPY /month (for PhD holder) · 250,000 JPY /month (for Master's degree holder) (Determined based on the university's payment standards, according to ability and experience) |
| Allowances | Any allowances, such as commuting expenses, housing expenses, bonuses, etc., are not provided. |
| Social Insurance | (i) MEXT Mutual Aid Associations, (ii) Employee's pension insurance, (iii) Employment insurance, (iv) Worker's accident insurance |
| Referral instructions | Please submit the following documents in PDF-format by email, with the subject "Job Application to the Program-Specific Researcher (Postdoc) Position" (i) Complete CV, (ii) Research achievements (iii) Summary of Scientific Achievements (iv) Certificate of graduation for the highest level of education achieved or a copy of said diploma |
| Application address / Contact | Research Center for Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University, Gokasho, Uji, Kyoto 611-0011, Japan Prof. Hirokazu TATANO / Ms. Ayuna MATTHEWS Phone 0774-38-4651 (Ms. Matthews) E-mail: matthews.ayuna.5n * kyoto-u.ac.jp (* should be replaced by@) |
| Application deadline | Wednesday, 11 March 2026 (Open until the position is filled) |
| Screening | After the first screening (examination of application documents) successful candidates will be contacted for an interview. *Please note that any travel expenses incurred will not be reimbursed. |
| Note | We cannot answer questions about the selection process or provide reasons for acceptance or rejection. The submitted documents will be used only for recruitment screening. We will not disclose, transfer, or lend these data to a third party without a justifiable reason. Please note that application documents will not be returned. |