

Faculty Position in the Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Osaka

Outline	The Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Osaka is now inviting applications for a professor committed to research and educational activities in the field of Architectural and Urban Ergonomics.
1. Position	Professor
2. Number of Positions	1 (One)
3. Affiliation	Graduate School of Engineering (Department of Architectural Engineering, Division of Global Architecture)
4. Work Location	Suita Campus (2-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-City, Osaka, Japan)
5. Specialized Field	Architectural Planning
6. Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research in the above fields. - Educational activities for undergraduate and graduate school students. - Administration, management and operation duties in Graduate School of Engineering and The University of Osaka. - Class subjects (in Japanese) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> in Undergraduate School: Architectural Design 1, 3, and 5, Comprehensive Design in Architecture, Basic Theory of Architectural Planning, Design by Building Type, Architectural Ergonomics and Community Facilities Planning, Building Materials, etc. in Graduate School: Exercise in Architectural and Urban Design A and B, Architectural Human Engineering Adv., Redesign of Housing and Suburb, Spatial Design(*), Exercise in Global Architecture(*), etc. (*): subjects of International Program of Maritime and Urban Engineering - From the perspective of architectural ergonomics, identify the principles of human behaviors in architectural and urban environments, and elucidate the interrelationship between spatial structures and behaviors, to conduct theoretical and practical education/research on the evaluation and design of architectural and urban spatial structures, the planning of housing and facilities, the improvement of area and residential environments, and safety planning for disaster prevention.
7. Qualifications	<p>[Essential]</p> <p>Applicants must hold:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Ph.D. degree. (2) Excellent achievements of research and education in the field of architectural planning, especially architectural ergonomics, and the ability to supervise doctoral students. (3) Japanese and English language ability sufficient to fulfill one's work duties. <p>[Preferred]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Experiences in overseas research and educational exchange with foreign countries, and international research/educational activities are preferred. (2) Deep understanding of industry-academia collaboration, and having achievements of joint research with companies and educational activities in actual fields, linked to practical work are preferred. (3) Practical experiences in the field of architecture are preferred.
8. Starting Date	April 1st, 2026 (or as soon as possible thereafter)
9. Term of Employment	No Fixed Term (Until the end of the fiscal year at 65 years of age)
10. Probationary Period	6 months

11. Employment Form	<p>Based on “6. Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html *The Discretionary Labor System, Special Work Type will be applied with the applicant’s consent. (deemed working hours: 8 hours a day)</p>
12. Salary and Benefits	<p>Based on “18. Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff Subject to New Annual Salary System” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html</p>
13. Insurance	<p>Medical insurance and employee’s pension insurance of the Federation of National Public Service Personnel Mutual Aid Associations, Employment Insurance and Industrial Accident Compensation Insurance</p>
14. Application Documents	<p>Applications must be written in English or Japanese and include the following (however, documents 7 and 8 must be written in Japanese)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Curriculum Vitae (photo attached) *Please use the university form available at the following website. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/employment/links/ 2. A list of research achievements ([1] peer-reviewed papers, [2] international conference proceedings, [3] reviews/overviews, [4] scientific reports, [5] books, [6] patents, [7] others (works, etc.), where all authors, paper title, journal title, volume number, publication date, and pages must be clarified for the above [1] to [4]) 3. Reprints of original papers (up to five, photocopies acceptable) 4. Activities in academic societies/social activities 5. A list and an outline of awards and prizes 6. Research funds such as Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research acquired in the last ten years (identifying principal investigator/co-principal investigator) 7. An outline of research and education achievements (in Japanese within two A4 pages) 8. A research plan and educational aspirations (in Japanese within two A4 pages) 9. Name, affiliation, and contact information of two professional references who are willing to be contacted about the applicant 10. Certificate(s) of Japanese language skills to satisfy the essential qualification for applicant with foreign nationality <p>* Personal information in the application documents will only be used for the purpose of screening and hiring procedures, and will not be disclosed to any third party. * Submitted application documents will not be returned.</p>
15. Sending Address and Contact Information	<p>[By E-mail] Send your application documents (10MB or less) as attachments or send the URL where the files can be downloaded to the following e-mail address. kuwa@arch.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp Please make the subject line "Application for Architectural Engineering Professor". Please ensure that all attached files are sent with adequate security measures in place. Upon receipt of your application, we will send you an e-mail notification of receipt within one week. If you do not receive it, please contact us.</p> <p>[By postal service to] Susumu KUWAHARA (Professor) Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Osaka 2-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-city, Osaka 565-0871, JAPAN 1. Please write “Application for faculty position (Professor) in Department of Architectural Engineering” on the envelope in red ink. 2. Please send application documents by registered mail.</p> <p>Contact Person: Susumu KUWAHARA (Professor) Phone: +81-6-6879-7651, e-mail: kuwa@arch.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp</p>

16. Application Deadline	Must arrive no later than November 28, 2025 (Japan Standard Time)
17. Selection Process	<p>Document screening will be followed by interviews. We may request candidates who have passed the document screening to send a letter of recommendation etc. If there are no suitable candidates, no selection will be made.</p> <p>* Travel and accommodation fees necessary for interviews are to be covered by the applicant.</p> <p>For applicants residing overseas, the applicant may request to arrange an online interview.</p> <p>* Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted.</p>
18. Additional Information	<p>Concerning work conditions other than the above-mentioned, please refer to “3. Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff” and/or related regulations. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html</p> <p>Please note the above-mentioned work conditions are as of the day this employment offer is posted, and subject to change.</p> <p>After employment, the affiliation, work location, and responsibilities may be subject to change within the limits set by the University.</p> <p>“Deemed exports” related to security export control are based on “Regulations Pertaining to Security Export Control”. Osaka University Security Export Control Regulations .pdf</p> <p>We also particularly encourage applications from female candidates.</p> <p>The University of Osaka is committed to promoting gender equality and providing various supports for female academic staff members. https://www.di.osaka-u.ac.jp/</p> <p>* The University of Osaka campuses and related facilities are smoke-free, except for designated areas.</p>
19. Recruiter	The University of Osaka