

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

Outline	The Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Osaka established the Frontier Research Base for Global Young Researchers in 2006, with support from the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), Japan, in order to implement the tenure-track system. The Base is currently inviting applications from around the world for tenure-track positions at the rank of Associate Professor (Lecturer) or Assistant Professor in the specified fields. The Frontier Research Base for Global Young Researchers aims to: 1. Recruit talented, highly qualified researchers who are distinguished within the international research community; 2. Support researchers who have pioneering ambitions for both research and education, and who have the potential to become leaders of future generations; and 3. Promote strategic management of research staff to enhance major academic disciplines and create new scientific fields. Applicants must have the ability to conduct research and development based on physical chemistry and organic or inorganic materials chemistry. The successful applicant will be responsible for playing not only an active role in cutting-edge research but also in the education of undergraduate and graduate students in Japanese and English. Each researcher will be provided with a research budget as follows: 1st year - 2 million yen, 2nd year - 1 million yen, 3rd year - 1 million yen, and 4th year - 1 million yen. The contract will be for five years. In principle, at least six months before the end of the term, each appointee will be evaluated by the review committee. If approved, the appointee will be granted a tenured position. http://www.cfi.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/scps/
1. Position	Associate Professor (Lecturer) or Assistant Professor (tenure-track)
2. Number of Positions	1 (One)
3. Affiliation	Graduate School of Engineering
4. Work Location	Suita Campus (2-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-City, Osaka, Japan)
5. Specialized Field	Physical chemistry, energy-related chemistry, functional materials chemistry
6. Responsibilities	· Research in the areas described above. · Educational activities for undergraduate and graduate school students in Japanese and English. · Administrative duties for the courses and research groups of the Division of Applied Chemistry.
7. Qualifications	[Essential] An applicant needs to have a Ph.D. degree, which has been granted not more than approximately 10 years before April 1, 2026, or is expected to be granted before March 31, 2026.
	[Preferred] Applicants should be familiar with and have excellent achievement on physical chemistry, energy-related chemistry, and organic or inorganic materials chemistry
8. Starting Date	April 1, 2026 (or as soon as possible thereafter)

9. Term of Employment	The contract will be for five years. *In principle, at least 6 months before the end of the term, the appointee will be evaluated by the review committee. If recognized for excellent performance, quality and ability, the appointee will become an employee with no fixed term of employment. If deemed necessary, the term of employment may be renewed for up to 3 years (1 time only), upon approval of the review committee. If the appointee passes the evaluation, in principle at least 6 months before the end of the new term of employment, the appointee will become-an employee with no fixed term of employment. *The maximum cumulative contract term is 10 years from the starting date, based on “Regulations Pertaining to Contract Period of National University Corporation Osaka University Fixed-term Staff, etc.”
10. Probationary Period	6 months
11. Employment Form	Based on “38. Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term 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)
12. Salary and Benefits	Based on “47. Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff Subject to New Annual Salary System” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html
13. Insurance	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
14. Application Documents	Submit password protected PDF files of the following documents by e-mail. Please send the password in a separate e-mail. 1. Curriculum vitae Please use the university form for educational/research positions available at the following website. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/employment/links 2. List of achievements 3. Offprints or photocopies of five major papers 4. Grants acquired during the past five years 5. Plans and aspirations for future research and education (up to 2 pages) 6. Names, affiliations, and e-mail addresses of three references (including at least one non-Japanese researcher belonging to an institution outside Japan) *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.
15. Sending Address and Contact Information	< Sending Address > Frontier Research Base for Global Young Researchers E-mail: scp202604chem@wakate.frc.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp Center for Future Innovation, Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Osaka 2-1 Yamada-oka, Suita, Osaka 565-0871, Japan < Contact Information > Prof. Akinori Saeki E-mail: saeki@chem.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp

16. Application Deadline	Must arrive no later than December 24, 2025 (Japan Standard Time)
17. Selection Process	Document screening is followed by interviews. Selected applicants will be notified within 3 weeks after the application deadline. Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted. *Travel and accommodation fees necessary for interviews are to be covered by the applicant. For applicants residing overseas, the applicant may request to arrange an online interview.
18. Additional Information	Concerning work conditions other than the above-mentioned, please refer to “36.Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff” and/or related regulations. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html Please note the above-mentioned work conditions are as of the day this employment offer is posted, and subject to change. In principle, there will be no changes to the affiliation, work location, or responsibilities after employment. “Deemed exports” related to security export control are based on “Regulations Pertaining to Security Export Control” Rules and Regulations – The University of Osaka We also particularly encourage applications from female candidates. 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/en_lp/ *The University of Osaka campuses and related facilities are smoke-free, except for designated areas.
19. Recruiter	National University Corporation The University of Osaka