

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

Outline	The laboratory of Architecture and Urban Ergonomics conducts education and research on spatial design and social systems aimed at creating enriched and secure living environments. The laboratory does this by consistently placing “people” at the center of its work, examining human behavior, psychology, and actual living conditions from multiple perspectives, and elucidating the interrelationships between architecture, local communities, urban, and conurbations. The laboratory is seeking academic staff who possess flexible attitude and an international perspective and can advance education and research in our field to the level of urban and conurbation. The successful candidate will be responsible for research, as well as teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, and administrative duties.
1. Position	Associate Professor
2. Number of Positions	1 (One)
3. Affiliation	Graduate School of Engineering (Division of Global Architecture, Department of Architectural Engineering)
4. Work Location	Suita Campus (2-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-City, Osaka, Japan)
5. Specialized Field	Architectural Planning and Urban Planning
6. Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Research in the areas described above. · Educational activities for undergraduate and graduate school students · Courses to be taught: Liberal Arts: Building and Town Watching Undergraduate: Architectural Design I, Architectural Design III, Comprehensive Design in Architecture, Urban Planning, Design by Building Type, Architectural Ergonomics and Community Facility Planning, Building Materials, etc. Graduate: Architecture and Urban Design B, Architectural Human Engineering Adv., Spatial Design (*), Exercise in Global Architecture (*), etc. (*) Courses for the English-language track of the Division of Global Architecture(International Program of Maritime & Urban Engineering) · Administrative duties in the laboratory and Graduate School of Engineering and the University of Osaka
7. Qualifications	[Essential] Applicants must have: (1) A doctoral degree or equivalent professional expertise and/or achievement in the above field/s (2) Excellent research achievements in the related field/s (3) Business level or above Japanese and English language proficiency
	[Preferred] (1) Experience of supervising students at the undergraduate and graduate level (2) Extensive experience in international research and education
8. Starting Date	October 1, 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 Type	<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</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Curriculum Vitae *Please use the university form for educational/research positions available at the following website. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/news/employ/links 2. A list of research achievements (categorize them into [1] Peer-reviewed research papers (journals, etc.), [2] international conference papers (specify whether they are peer-reviewed in full), [3] reviews and commentaries, [4] technical reports (specialized journals, etc.), [5] books, [6] patents, and [7] others (works, etc.). For [1]-[4], clearly list all authors, titles, journal names, volume numbers, publication years, and pages.) 3. Reprints of five major original papers (photocopies acceptable) 4. Status of activities in academic societies and organizations 5. A list and an outline of awards and prizes, including the awarding organizations 6. Status of obtaining various research grants such as Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research, for the past 10 years (specify whether the researcher is a representative or a co-researcher) 7. An outline of research and education achievements (within two A4 pages) 8. A research plan and educational aspirations (within two A4 pages) 9. Name, affiliation, and contact information of two professional references who are willing to be contacted 10. Documents to prove Japanese language proficiency (required only for non-Japanese). <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.</p>
15. Sending Address and Contact Information	<p>Please submit by e-mail: kashiwa@arch.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp</p> <p>*Write “Application for the Assoc. Prof. in Architecture and Urban Ergonomics Lab” in the subject line. *Attach the application documents in PDF format (with full security countermeasures).</p> <p>If there is any difficulty in submitting by e-mail, please submit by postal service:</p> <p>Attention: Professor Hisatoshi Kashiwa Graduate School of Engineering, the University of Osaka 2-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-city, Osaka 565-0871 JAPAN</p> <p>*Please write “Application for the Assoc. Prof. in Architecture and Urban Ergonomics Lab” on the front of the envelope in red ink. *Applications should be sent by registered mail . *Submitted application documents will not be returned.</p> <p>Contact Person: Professor Hisatoshi Kashiwa Tel: +81-6-6879-7634 E-mail: kashiwa@arch.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp</p>

16. Application Deadline	Thursday, 11th, June.2026 (Japan Standard Time)(must arrive by this date)
17. Selection Process	<p>After the initial screening of documents, a second round of selection will be conducted as necessary, and candidates may be asked to participate in an interview. Notifications regarding the interview screening will be sent only to those who have passed the document screening within two weeks of the application deadline.</p> <p>*Travel and accommodation expenses necessary for interviews are to be covered by the applicant. For applicants residing overseas, the applicant may request 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.</p> <p>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”.</p> <p>Rules and Regulations – The University of Osaka</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.</p> <p>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