

[Open call] Kyushu University Faculty of Design Strategic Design Department  
Faculty (1 Associate Professor or Assistant Professor)

The Kyushu University Faculty of Design Strategic Design Department is now recruiting faculty members as follows.

1. Job title: Open call for Associate Professor or Assistant Professor (Design intellectual property field)

2. Institution: Kyushu University, National University Corporation  
(URL <http://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/ja/> )

3. Department name: Faculty of Design Strategic Design Department (URL <http://www.design.kyushu-u.ac.jp/> )

4. Positions available: 1 Associate Professor or Assistant Professor

5. Subjects to be taught:

School of Design (Media Design Course)

Intellectual property law, Intellectual property management seminar, Introduction to media design III, Media design comprehensive project I & II, Graduation research I & II, etc. (including sharing)

Graduate School of Design (Strategic Design Course)

Intellectual property law 1 & 2, SD special project I, II, III & IV, Art and design seminar, Art and design special research I, II, III & IV, Strategic design project I, II, III & IV etc. (including sharing)

(For "other", we are assuming studio projects)

6. Place of work: Kyushu University Ohashi Campus

4-9-1 Shiobaru, Minami-ku, Fukuoka 815-8540

(However, depending on the subject, work may take place at other campuses such as Ito Campus.)

7. Employment period: Not specified

8. Start date: Scheduled for April 1, 2026

9. Qualifications (specific requirements for the position):

One who have a deep interest and understanding in design and can teach and conduct research that meets the following conditions:

1) Have research achievements in intellectual property at educational or research institutions such as universities in Japan or abroad.

Or have practical experience in intellectual property strategy consulting at companies or local governments in Japan or abroad.

2) Be able to provide practical education related to innovation creation from intellectual property, related to design, and their management.

3) Have a doctoral degree.

Or have equivalent achievements, or are expected to obtain a doctoral degree within a few years of assuming the position.

4) Preferably a track record of obtaining competitive external funds as a representative, such as Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research.

5) Be able to participate cooperatively in the management and operation of undergraduate schools, graduate schools, and departments.

#### 10. Benefits:

1) Salary: Annual salary system (introduced on April 1, 2020) will be applied.

The amount of annual salary will be determined in accordance with the relevant regulations of the university based on experience, etc.

2) Working hours: 7 hours and 45 minutes will be considered as working hours according to the professional discretionary work system.

3) Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, and New Year's holidays (December 29th to January 3rd)

4) Insurance: Employment insurance, Workmen's accident insurance, Health insurance, Employee's pension insurance

11. Documents to submit: Please prepare and submit the following 12 types of documents.

\*Forms 1) to 8) can be downloaded from the URL below.

<https://storage.design.kyushu-u.ac.jp/public/r3qQwA4J2UtAL4ABiXNo8QhaESk0dmLlpxsUKdcvrsw>

1) Profile

2) Education and Research Achievements

3) Achievements Relating to Research Supervision

4) Status of Education-Related Activities

5) Activities within Japanese or Overseas Academic Societies

6) Activities Contributing to Society

7) Receipt of Competitive Research Funds (as a Principal Investigator)

8) Receipt of Competitive Research Funds (Co-investigator)

9) Reprints of major papers (up to 5 papers, one copy each, copies accepted)

10) Names, affiliations, and contact information of at least two people who can provide opinions on the applicant (no format)

11) Summary of research to date (no format: approximately 2,000 characters on A4 paper)

12) Aspirations for educational and research activities in design and engineering (no

format required: approx. 2,000 characters on A4 paper)

\*If you have any other documents in addition to these application documents, please send them together.

\*Please process your work into a photograph, etc.

\*As a rule, application documents will not be returned.

\*Personal information contained in application documents and documents will not be used for any purpose other than the selection of this faculty member.

12. Address for documents and inquiries:

4-9-1 Shiobaru, Minami-ku, Fukuoka City, Kyushu University Faculty of Design,  
Yoshitaka Sugimoto

Email: [sugimoto@design.kyushu-u.ac.jp](mailto:sugimoto@design.kyushu-u.ac.jp)

\* The submitted documents should be converted into PDF format and all documents should be uploaded in a single folder containing all documents, uploaded to the following URL. The name of the folder should be 'Application for Position\_FullName'. At the same time, please inform us of the upload by e-mail. The subject line of the e-mail should be 'Application for Position in the Department of Strategic Design '.

[https://archive.iii.kyushu-u.ac.jp/public/fUZLwFSI1A9MhQmRi1VrK\\_V0\\_C5gwhqnUFYdY66xwEz](https://archive.iii.kyushu-u.ac.jp/public/fUZLwFSI1A9MhQmRi1VrK_V0_C5gwhqnUFYdY66xwEz)

\* If you do not receive a reply acknowledging receipt of your application, please contact the General Affairs Section ([gkssyomu@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp](mailto:gkssyomu@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp)), Faculty of Design, Kyushu University.

13. Application period: July 1, 2025 to August 15, 2025 (must arrive by 5 p.m.)

14. Selection method: Document screening

Selection will be based on application documents.

Interviews may be conducted during the selection process, and applicants will be responsible for transportation costs

15. Remarks:

1) Kyushu University conducts recruitment in accordance with the spirit of the Basic Act for Gender Equal Society. Please refer to the URL <http://danjyo.kyushu-u.ac.jp/active/index.php> for the Gender Equality Promotion Office.

2) Priority will be given to women if their educational and research abilities and achievements are considered equivalent.

3) Faculty members at Kyushu University may be required to conduct classes in English from the perspective of promoting internationalization.

4) Kyushu University conducts recruitment in accordance with the spirit of the “Basic

Act for Persons with Disabilities (Act No. 84 of 1970) “and the” Act on Promotion of Employment of Persons with Disabilities (Act No. 123 of 1960)” and “Act on Promotion of Elimination of Discrimination on the Basis of Disability (Act No. 65 of 2013)”.

5) From July 2017, Kyushu University introduced a spouse-accompanied employment system.

6) If you have been subjected to disciplinary action in the past for sexual violence, including sexual harassment, against students, please be sure to state the nature of the disciplinary action and the specific reasons for it in your CV or other documents. False statements may result in cancellation of employment or disciplinary action.