

Job Opening for a Tenure-track Associate Professor Position

1. Type / Number of Position:

Associate Professor, Full-time (Tenure-track) / One

2. Starting Date:

As soon as possible after April 1, 2027.

3. Affiliation:

Division of Biotechnology and Life Science, Institute of Engineering, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology

4. Other Affiliation:

- Department of Life Science and Biotechnology, Graduate School of Engineering (Doctor course and Master course)
- Department of Life Science and Biotechnology, School of Engineering (Undergraduate course)

5. Research Field:

General Field of Biotechnology and Life Science

We invite applications from a wide range of fields for young faculty members who possess deep expertise and outstanding achievements in biotechnology, life science and related disciplines, and who are capable of leading original and pioneering research with a view toward social implementation in the near future. Examples of envisioned research areas include device development and novel material/substance development aimed at applications in medicine, environmental science, and food science, as well as research targeting molecules and living organisms utilizing omics analysis, synthetic biology, information science, mathematical and data science, AI, and related approaches. However, these are merely illustrative examples and are not intended to limit the fields of application.

6. Teaching:

Appointee will be required to teach courses and supervise research in the field of Biotechnology and Life Science. In cooperation with the faculty members of the Department of Biotechnology and Life Science (undergraduate and graduate schools), the successful candidate is expected to demonstrate a strong commitment to nurturing human resources who can contribute to achieving a sustainable society, which is a core mission of our university.

7. Qualifications:

Applicant will be required the following qualifications.

- holding a doctoral degree or a Ph.D.
- being within 10 years after obtaining her/his doctoral degree (Ph.D.) at the appointment time

8. Selection Policy:

TUAT's selection process emphasizes the following criteria:

- The candidate has produced internationally recognized research and has outstanding achievements in the field of biotechnology.
- The candidate will contribute to the education in our department both at the undergraduate and the graduate level. Educational duties will include classes in the international section.
- The candidate's research shall have a strong societal impact.
- The candidate is expected to contribute to international joint research and actively produce internationally co-authored high-impact papers.
- The candidate actively obtains external funding and is financially self-sufficient to run the laboratory.

9. Employment Status, Salary and Benefits:

- Discretionary work (7 hours 45 minutes/day)
- The annual salary will range from approximately 7,000,000 to 8,500,000 yen. This is roughly equivalent to the salary of tenured associate professors, and the exact amount will be determined based on the TUAT regulations, taking into account the appointee's previous career and achievements.
- As a startup fund, the appointee will be provided with 4.5 million yen.

10. Place of Work:

Koganei Campus, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology

11. Term of Employment:

Five years (Tenure-track program)

The appointee's performances will be reviewed twice during the tenure-track period: in the third and the fifth years after the appointment. The review will be carried out by intra- and extramural committees and according to the regulation for the tenure-track program of TUAT. Appointees with promising and significant research accomplishments will receive tenure based on the review.

12. How to Apply:

- Please combine the full set of application documents listed below into a single PDF file and submit it via Web application through JREC-IN Portal.

<https://jrecin.jst.go.jp/seek/SeekJorDetail?id=D126071168&ln=1>

- Applications by postal mail will not be accepted.

13. Documents to be submitted:

(1) Curriculum Vitae (with photo, contact address, E-mail address)

Link to the Curriculum vitae:

https://www.tuat.ac.jp/en/outline/kyousyoku/kyouin/curriculum_vitae.html

(2) List of publications (Journal papers, Books, International conference proceedings indicate reviewed or not reviewed. Prepare a separate list for each item)

(3) Copies of less than three selected publications

(4) Summary of previous research contributions (approximately 700 words)

(5) Research plan and educational commitment (approximately 700 words)

(6) Name and E-mail address of approximately 2 references

14. Application Deadline:

September 18th, 2026 (Deadline for receipt)

15. Selection:

- The successful candidate will be decided through the interview (at TUAT or online) for the candidates selected by the document screening.

- Travel expenses for the interview will be borne by the applicant.

- All communications regarding the selection process, including notification of results, will be sent by e-mail.

16. Method of Notification of Results:

- After reviewing the application documents, we will contact the selected candidates with details regarding the interview date and time.

- Notification will be sent by email within 10 days after the interview.

17. Contact Information:

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18. Other

Based on the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act, TUAT conducts security checks when hiring new staff. We, therefore, ask you to provide information necessary for the

security check. As a result of reviewing the information, if the applicant falls under any regulatory requirements, we may ask you to change the scope of your desired education and research. Additionally, if the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry disapproves TUAT's request to approve your acceptance, our offer to you may be canceled.

*TUAT focuses on a proactive promotion of gender equality.

See http://web.tuat.ac.jp/~dan-jo/danjo_new/index.html