## Open positions for RCIES Assistant Professor, SOKENDAI

Job title and number of people to be recruited	Assistant Professor, 1 person
Affiliation	Research Center for Integrative Evolutionary Science (Hayama Campus), SOKENDAI.
Field of research	All fields that study the relationship between science and society, Science and Technology Studies (including neighboring fields such as Environmental Sociology, Biological Resource Conservation, Science Policy, Bioethics, Environmental Ethics, and Philosophy of Science, etc.)
Job description	This position is open to individuals who will conduct practical and original research on science and technology, taking into account the diversity of science and the complex relationship between science and the social and natural environment. In particular, we seek candidates who can conduct research on themes (preferably on biological and environmental subjects) that are in line with the aims of the Division of Evolutionary Studies of Complex Adaptive Systems, a division of the Research Center for Integrative Evolutionary Science.  The successful candidate will be responsible for research, teaching, and university and center administration. Teaching duties will include supervising doctoral research in the Integrative Evolutionary Science program, supervising sub-thesis research, and giving lectures. Courses include both those for students in natural science (mainly biological) fields and those for students in the "Science and Society" fields.
	* The Graduate University for Advanced Studies (SOKENDAI) is an umbrella organization of national research institutes and provides doctoral education, in close collaboration with the affiliated research institutes.  * The Center for Integrative Evolutionary Science aims to establish "Integrative Evolutionary Science" as a new research field that studies biological evolution and the development of scientific activities from a broad perspective, with the aim of solving various problems in human society. <a href="https://rcies.soken.ac.jp">https://rcies.soken.ac.jp</a> * The Integrative Evolutionary Science Course has a subthesis system, and submission of a subthesis on a Science and Technology Studies theme is included as one of the requirements for a doctoral degree for students in the field of biology. For past sub-thesis themes, see: <a href="https://ies.soken.ac.jp/archives.html">https://ies.soken.ac.jp/archives.html</a>
Qualifications	The candidate must hold a Ph.D. degree at the time of appointment or expect to obtain it within the fiscal year of 2024. Additionally, the candidate should demonstrate the ability to independently conduct unique and outstanding research. Proficiency in both Japanese and English is essential for conducting research and teaching.
Period of Employment	From the earliest possible date after the 2024 August.

Term of office	Five years from the date of appointment. Renewal is possible only once if the applicant passes the review.
Place of employment	The Graduate University for Advanced Studies, SOKENDAI. Research Center for Integrative Evolutionary Science (Hayama Campus) Measures to prevent passive smoking: No smoking on the premises (smoking areas are available outside)
Benefits and conditions	Working Hours: Discretionary work system for specialized work (deemed working hours: 7 hours and 45 minutes per day) Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, year-end, and New Year holidays Salary: According to the University's employment regulations for specified fixed-term employees Insurance: Mutual aid association of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology, unemployment insurance, workers' accident compensation insurance Vacation: Paid vacation system Probational Period: 6 months from the date of employment Other: Details are in accordance with the university's regulations.
Requirements and selection process	Following the initial screening based on the documents provided below, a secondary screening through an interview (including a public seminar) will be conducted. Applicants should compile their application materials into a single PDF file (within 5 MB) and directly send it to the email address rcies_jinji@soken.ac.jp. In case the file exceeds 5 MB, please contact rcies_jinji@soken.ac.jp, and we will provide an upload link.  (1) Cover Letter: Free format. Include the following information: Name, current position, names of two recommenders (individuals who can provide opinions), their affiliations, contact information (email), and the relationship between the applicant and the recommenders. (2) Curriculum Vitae: Free format. Include educational background, work history, records of awards and penalties, a list of achievements, and an external funding list. (3) Research History and Post-Appointment Research Plan (around 1500 words). (4) Educational History and Aspirations for Post-Appointment Education (around 1500 words). (5) Copies of up to five major publications. (For books and dissertations, include a table of contents and a representative chapter(s). If it's not published yet, the final version of the manuscript submitted to the publisher is acceptable.) (6) Any other materials deemed relevant for the selection process (optional).  *If the applicant does not hold a doctoral degree at the time of application, an explanation of the requirements for the doctoral degree at his/her university, the number of preliminary examinations and review panels, as well as the status of their achievement, should also be provided in the application document.

	diverse talents, encouraging the hiring of young faculty, female faculty, and foreign faculty. In cases where achievements and personal evaluations are deemed equivalent, priority will be given to the aforementioned groups.  *Submitted materials will only be used for the selection process of this public offering and subsequent personnel procedures. After the selection process, we will responsibly dispose of the submitted materials.  *In case of false information regarding disciplinary history, employment cancellation, or disciplinary action may occur.
Application deadline	2024 Jun. 30
Selection process	Applicants will undergo screening based on submitted documents, followed by an interview (in Japanese). Applicants will be notified of the interview schedule by e-mail.  Transportation expenses for the interview will be borne by the applicant.
Employer	President of National University Corporation SOKENDAI
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