

Call for Associate or Assistant Professor in Japanese Linguistics

Tsuda University, a four-year women's liberal arts university in Tokyo, Japan, announces the following opening:

Position:

Associate Professor (*junkyōju*) or Assistant Professor (*sennin kōshi*) in Japanese Linguistics (with tenure)

Courses to be Taught:

- 1) Seminars on Linguistics in the Department of English, as well as in Linguistics in the Graduate Program in English and Cultural Studies
- 2) Lectures on Japanese Linguistics (“Comparative Study of Japanese and English,” “Survey of the Japanese Language,” “Special Studies in the Japanese Language 1,” etc.)
- 3) EFL courses in undergraduate programs

Starting Date: April 1, 2027

Qualifications:

- 1) Field of specialization: Linguistics. Applicants must focus primarily on the Japanese language and be capable of collecting and analyzing empirical data through methods such as fieldwork, corpus analysis, and experimental research.
- 2) Research achievements in fields or topics such as “Japanese as a second language,” “heritage language studies,” “language contact,” or “Japanese language pedagogy” are desirable.
- 3) Applicants must hold a Ph.D. in the above field of specialization, or be expected to obtain one by the date of appointment.
- 4) Applicants must have multiple research achievements in English (journal articles, books, conference presentations, etc.) in their area of specialization.
- 5) Applicants must have advanced proficiency in English.
- 6) Applicants must have advanced proficiency in Japanese sufficient to carry out their duties without difficulty.
- 7) Applicants must understand the founding spirit of the university and be willing to contribute actively to undergraduate English-language education as well as to the training of researchers at the graduate level.
- 8) In addition to duties within the department and graduate school, applicants must be willing to contribute actively to university-wide committees, entrance examinations, and other institutional responsibilities.

Application Documents and Submission Method:

Please complete the Google Form (<https://forms.gle/t4wddkCuTX2WRSVBA>), including the names and contact information of two references. Attach PDF files of the following documents and submit via the Google Form:

- 1) Curriculum vitae (any format; include teaching experience and courses taught)

- 2) List of research achievements (clearly indicate whether each work was peer-reviewed; list all scholarly works and mark your three major publications)
- 3) Three major publications (including at least one article written in English)
*If books or other materials cannot be submitted via Google Form, please send physical copies separately by mail.
- 4) Summary of the three major publications (for each publication: approximately 500 words in English and 800 characters in Japanese)
- 5) Future research plan (approximately 500 words in English)
- 6) Statement of Teaching Philosophy and aspirations at the Department of English, Tsuda University (approximately 800 characters in Japanese)
- 7) Proof of highest academic degree (copy of diploma, degree certificate, official transcript, etc.)
Note: Applicants who pass the first screening may be asked to submit additional documents.

Submission Address:

Submit via Google Form. Materials sent separately by mail should be addressed to:
Japanese Linguistics Search Committee
Department of English
College of Liberal Arts Office, Tsuda University
2-1-1 Tsuda-machi
Kodaira-shi, Tokyo, 187-8577

Please write in red on the envelope:

“Application Documents for Faculty Position (Japanese Linguistics)”

Send by registered mail or Japan Post Letter Pack Plus (or by EMS, FedEx or other methods with a tracking number from overseas). As a rule, submitted materials will not be returned.

Application Deadline:

Thursday, June 18, 2026, 4:00 PM, JST (Materials sent by mail must arrive by this date.)

Selection Process:

First Screening: Document review (Shortlisted applicants will be notified by mid-July, 2026)

Second Screening: Interview and mock teaching session (Scheduled for early September, 2026)

Shortlisted candidates will be asked to submit two letters of recommendation in advance. In principle, the second screening will be conducted at our Kodaira Campus. Transportation expenses are to be borne by the applicant. However, depending on circumstances, the interview may be conducted online. Final results will be notified directly to applicants after the final candidate has been selected.

Location:

Kodaira Campus, Tsuda University (Kodaira, Tokyo)

Employment Conditions:

- 1) Working hours: Estimated at 7 hours a day, under the category of Discretionary Labor System for Professional Work. Instructors of the graduate-level omnibus course *Topics in Language Teaching* may be required to hold classes during weekday evening hours.
- 2) Salary: Based on the salary of national civil servants.
- 3) Days off: Saturdays, Sundays, Public Holidays, and Days Designated by the University. However, employees may be required to work on holidays for classes, entrance exams, and other reasons.
- 4) Retirement Age: 68
- 5) Insurance: Employees will be enrolled in the Japan Private Schools Promotion and Mutual Aid Association, as well as employment insurance and workers' accident compensation insurance.

Inquiries:

Japanese Linguistics Search Committee
Department of English
College of Liberal Arts
Tsuda University

Please contact via email: jling2027@tsuda.ac.jp. Please include "Application for Japanese Linguistics Faculty Position" in the subject line.

Additional Information:

- 1) Personal information submitted in the application process will be properly managed in accordance with the university's regulations on personal data protection and will not be used for any purpose other than personnel selection.
- 2) The university promotes internationalization, gender equality, and diversity. In faculty hiring and promotion, no discrimination will be made on the basis of nationality, gender, creed, or disability.