

Position Opening for Associate Professor or Lecturer

1. Affiliation: Advanced Practice of School Education (School Subjects Education), Japanese Language Education Course
2. Job type and the number of positions: One full-time Associate Professor or Lecturer
3. Field of research: Studies in Japanese Language Education
4. Qualifications:
 - (1) Doctoral degree or the equivalent research achievements, and educational abilities
*It is desirable to be able to take charge of the research guidance of the United Graduate School doctoral course in the future.
 - (2) Applicants must hold a teaching license for either elementary school, junior high school (Japanese language), or high school (Japanese language).
 - (3) Teaching experience (as a full-time teacher) at an elementary, junior high, or high school is preferred.
 - (4) Individuals who are able to visit the University's affiliated schools and state schools and conduct educational research in collaboration with school teachers.
 - (5) Individuals who can actively engage in university administration, social contribution activities, and other related duties.
 - (6) Nationality is not a factor. However, applicants must possess the Japanese language proficiency necessary to perform their duties at this university.
5. Courses to be Taught:

Graduate School:

 - Seminar on Materials Development in Japanese Language Education (Developing Thinking Skills)
 - Instructional Methods and Lesson Design in Japanese Language Education (Speaking and Listening)
 - Inquiry into Educational Issues
 - Seminar in Educational Practice
 - Various Types of Fieldwork, etc.

Undergraduate School:

 - Theories of Elementary Japanese Language Education
 - Studies in Teaching Materials for Secondary Japanese Language Education
 - Advanced Lecture on Japanese Language Education
 - Seminar in Teaching Practice
 - Pre- and Post-Guidance for Educational Practice
 - Graduation Research, etc.
6. Expected Date of Appointment
April 1, 2027
7. Term of Employment
Five years (under the Specified Annual Salary System).
Upon successful tenure review, the position will be transitioned to tenured (unlimited-term) employment.
8. Application Deadline (Tentative)
5:00 PM on Monday, July 27, 2026 (Japan Standard Time, strictly enforced)

9. Documents to submit:

- (1) CV/resume (using the designated form with the applicant's photo attached)
- (2) List of professional achievements (using the designated form)
- (3) Three principal publications (books and/or articles); originals, offprints, or photocopies
A summary of each of these in Japanese (approximately 200 characters) is required.
- (4) Aspirations for the new post (approximately 1,000 characters in Japanese)

NB: The forms designated by the university (CV/resume and List of Achievements) can be downloaded at the university website (<https://www.naruto-u.ac.jp/jobs>).

10. Mailing address:

To: President SAKO Hidekazu

Naruto University of Education

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NB: The application documents should be sent by registered mail (electronic submissions will not be accepted), with "Application for the position of Japanese literature (Modern literature)" written on the envelope in red.

11. Contact Information:

[For Inquiries Regarding the Position and Academic Matters]

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[For Inquiries Regarding Salary, Benefits, and Employment Conditions]

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12. Additional information:

- (1) It is suggested that the successful applicant should dwell in the vicinity of Naruto after employed.
- (2) As a rule, submitted documents will not be returned. If the applicant wishes to have them returned, he/she must request so beforehand. The personal information the university has acquired in the selection process will be treated confidentially according to the Act on the Protection of Personal Information.
- (3) In principle, finalists will be invited for interviews with a teaching demonstration at Naruto University of Education. Finalists' expenses for travel and accommodation for interviews will not be reimbursed.
- (4) Naruto University of Education has a policy for recruitment in which the decision is not to be influenced by applicants' nationality or gender. In cases where two or more finalists are equal in qualifications and achievements, the university will give preference to female applicants.
- (5) Even if the successful candidate is a local government employee prior to employment at the university, the university will not count his or her years of service as a local government employee in the calculation of his or her retirement allowance from the university.