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Faculty Recruitment Announcement

The Faculty of Letters, Ryukoku University, invites applications for the position of a full-time tenured position (*Sennin kyōin*). The Faculty would appreciate your sharing this announcement with interested parties.

1. Main Courses to be Taught

Introductory Seminar in Cultural Heritage Studies, Seminar in Cultural Heritage Studies,
Special Topics in Intangible Cultural Heritage Studies

2. Affiliation

Faculty of Letters

3. Prospective Employment Status

Full-time tenure (*Sennin kyōin*)

4. Job Title to be Filled

Professor, Associate Professor, or Lecturer

5. Number to be Hired

One

6. Expected Date of Employment

April 1, 2027

7. Salary and Benefits

To be determined by employment rules and regulations of the Ryukoku University Educational Corporation.

8. Qualifications

- 1) Specialization in Intangible Cultural Heritage Studies.
- 2) A doctoral degree or equivalent academic qualifications.
- 3) At least three years of teaching or research experience at a university, museum, cultural heritage research institute, or a comparable institution, including part-time positions.
- 4) No restriction on nationality. Non-native speakers of Japanese must have sufficient Japanese proficiency to conduct classes and perform administrative duties smoothly.
- 5) Respect for the founding spirit of this university, understanding of its educational policy and the faculty's educational philosophy and objectives, and a strong commitment to its educational and related activities.

9. Required Documents

- 1) Curriculum Vitae (including a photo taken within the last six months) (University-prescribed form) 4 copies
- 2) Educational and Professional Achievement Record (University-prescribed form) 4 copies
 - ※ When completing the Educational and Professional Achievement Record, please ensure that the contents reflect your relevance to the qualifications or the main courses to be taught.
- 3) List of Publications (University-prescribed form) 4 copies
 - Specify solo and co-authored works, including authors' names, titles, publishers, journal names, publication dates.
 - Provide a brief abstract of approximately 200 characters in Japanese for each research achievement.
 - Indicate your three primary research achievements with a checkmark.
 - When listing papers or other publications, indicate the page numbers and whether they are peer-reviewed.
- 4) Copies of the three primary research achievements (photocopies allowed) 4 copies
 - For books, a chapter or section equivalent to one paper will be treated as one item. Photocopy each item and attach the table of contents and the colophon (publication details page).
- ※ Additional educational and research achievements may be requested if necessary.
- 5) Personal Statement 4 copies
 - Please describe, in separate sections, your aspirations for research and for education in the humanities, with specific details. (Japanese only; approximately 1,200 characters, A4 size, horizontal format.)
- 6) Copy of diploma or documents verifying highest academic degree 1 copy
- 7) A stamped, self-addressed envelope for notification of results (a Long Size 3 envelope)

1 envelope

※ Forms can be downloaded from: <https://www.ryukoku.ac.jp/employment>

※ Applicants must submit one original of documents 1), 2), 3), and 5); photocopies are acceptable for the remaining required copies.

10. Application Deadline

August 21, 2026 [Must be received by this date]

11. Where to Send Applications

Academic Affairs Office, Faculty of Letters, Ryukoku University

125-1 Daiku-cho, Shichijo-dori Omiya Higashi-iru, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto 600-8268, Japan

12. Contact Information:

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※ Inquiries should be made via email.

13. Selection Schedule:

- (1) The selection process consists of a document screening (First Stage), followed by an interview and a teaching demonstration (Second Stage).
- (2) Applicants will be notified of the results of the first stage and the final hiring decision as soon as they are determined.
- (3) The second selection process (interview and mock teaching) is scheduled to take place on September 14, 2026.
- (4) Submitted documents will, in principle, not be returned.

14. General Notes:

- (1) Any personal information submitted for the application will be strictly managed in compliance with university regulations. It will be used solely for the purposes of selection and employment, and will not be disclosed or used for any other objective.
- (2) Ryukoku University promotes a gender-equal society in accordance with the legislative intent of the Basic Act for Gender Equal Society. Priority will be given to women when they are recognized as having equivalent competence for the position based on a fair evaluation.