

April 16, 2024

Hokkaido University Faculty of Environmental Earth Science

**Position Open: Specially Appointed Assistant Professor**  
**Location: Sapporo, Japan**

Faculty of Environmental Earth Science, Hokkaido University invites applications for the academic position of Specially Appointed Assistant Professor.

**Available position:** Specially Appointed Assistant Professor, full-time (fixed-term employment).

**Number of vacancies:** 1

**Institution:**

(Immediately after employment) Group of Atmosphere-Ocean Physics, Section of Earth System Science, Faculty of Environmental Earth Science.

(Extent of change) No change expected.

**Job description:**

(Immediately after employment) The successful candidate will participate in the research project "Quantifying and understanding the compound weather and climate extremes regarding future projection for Japan and the Asia-Pacific region", an Environment Research and Technology Development Fund project (see Remarks).

(Extent of change) No change expected.

**Research field:**

Meteorology.

**Qualifications:**

The applicant must have a doctoral degree (including whom obtains a doctoral degree by the date of appointment).

**Job starting date:**

The earliest day of convenience after or on the day of October 1, 2024.

**Term of office:**

Until March 31, 2027.

**Contract renewal:** No contract renewal.

**Probationary period:** 1 month.

**Working hours:**

The discretionary working system in the type of professional work (upon consent)\* or Fixed working hours system

\*The working hours for a day are deemed as 7 hours and 45 minutes.

**Salary and allowances:**

Compensation based on the National University Corporation Hokkaido University Specially Appointed Academic Staff Working Regulations and National University

Corporation Hokkaido University Internal Regulations on the Application of Annual Salary System.

**Social insurance:**

Employees' Pension Insurance (Kousei Nenkin), MEXT Mutual Aid Association Health Insurance, Employment Insurance, and Industrial Accident Compensation Insurance.

**Employer:**

Hokkaido University.

**Measures to prevent second-hand smoke:**

No smoking on the premises except in specified outdoor smoking areas.

**Required application documents:**

(1) A full curriculum vitae.

Applicants who have been employed at Hokkaido University since April 1, 2013 (in any positions, such as part-time lecturers, teaching assistants, teaching fellows, research assistants, or short-term support staff) should list the details.

(2) A list of scientific publications (it should be classified into original peer-reviewed papers, reviews, and others).

(3) Reprints or copies of up to three representative papers.

(4) Outlines of research history and perspectives for the position (about 700 words).

(5) Two references with their contact information.

(6) A storage medium, such as a CD, DVD or USB flash memory, containing PDF files of the above documents (1) – (5).

**Closing date for application:**

The application must reach us no later than June 14, 2024 (Japan Standard Time).

**Selection process:**

After screening by application documents, interview is conducted.

Travel expenses for the interview will not be covered.

**Address for application:**

Submit all documents described in the above "Required Application Documents" by post\* to

Masanobu YAMAMOTO, Section Head

Section of Earth System Science, Faculty of Environmental Earth Science

Hokkaido University

Kita 10 Nishi 5, Kita-Ku, Sapporo 060-0810, JAPAN

Email: myama@ees.hokudai.ac.jp

\* The application documents should be sent to the above address by registered postal mail (Letter Pack Plus or recorded delivery in Japan and EMS from overseas). Please mark "CV Enclosed – Specially Appointed Assistant Professor" in red on the envelope. Submitted documents will not be returned but carefully discarded after the review process.

Please make initial contact in advance if you want to apply by email because of difficulty to send postal mail.

**Inquiry:**

Should be sent to  
Takeshi HORINOUCI, Professor  
Section of Earth System Science, Faculty of Environmental Earth Science  
Hokkaido University  
Kita 10 Nishi 5, Kita-Ku, Sapporo 060-0810, JAPAN  
Email: horinout@ees.hokudai.ac.jp

**Remarks:**

The project “Quantifying and understanding the compound weather and climate extremes regarding future projection for Japan and the Asia-Pacific region” (lead: Takeshi Horinouchi; Fiscal year 2024-2026) is carried out by five universities and two research institutes in Japan, and it consists of four sub-themes. The project will conduct novel research on extreme events by using atmospheric reanalyses and future simulations based on meteorology and climatology, and it provides information for climatic impact studies. The successful candidate is expected to work proactively based on his/her strengths. Inquiry on the project should be sent to Prof. Horinouchi.

To actively join discussion in the project and collaborate with participants across organizations, it is desirable that the candidates can communicate in Japanese. It is expected that those who have not done studies on the project’s theme can still conduct good collaborative studies and broaden perspectives if they have strong background in meteorology. The Environment Research and Technology Development Fund has a support system to promote self-motivated activity of early career researchers (up to 20% of one’s effort; available to apply for external funds), and this project will encourage to use it.

The annual salary will be approximately from 6,500K to 7,000K yen.

Hokkaido University promotes gender equality and strongly encourages females to apply. In accordance with the aim of the Basic Act for Gender-Equal Society, when candidates’ achievements (as in research, education, social contribution) and evaluations are deemed nearly equivalent, female candidates will be prioritized.

The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Hokkaido University, (<https://www.dei.hokudai.ac.jp/en/>) conducts initiatives such as the “Support for Substitute Staff to Balance Research Activities and Women’s Leadership” and the “Support for Substitute Staff to Balance Research Activities and Life Events”.

Further information on the faculty/graduate school and the group is available at:

<https://www.ees.hokudai.ac.jp/?lang=en>

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