

## Job Opening: Professor

Title: One position for a professor in the field of Cognitive Science (Department of Psychological and Cognitive Sciences, Nagoya University)

Institution: Nagoya University (URL: <http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/>)

Unit and Department:

Cognitive Science Unit, Psychological and Cognitive Sciences, Graduate School of Informatics

(URL: <https://www.i.nagoya-u.ac.jp/en/gscps/>)

Job descriptions:

(Immediately after hiring)

- 1) To conduct research and provide education on Cognitive Science
- 2) To actively participate in the management of the Graduate School of Informatics and contribute to achieving the mission of the Graduate School
- 3) To teach and supervise undergraduate and postgraduate students.

(Scope of change)

Duties designated by the Tokai National Higher Education and Research System

Research field:

Field: Cognitive Science

Specific classification: psychological and cognitive science related to cognition, emotion, learning, development, and social behavior, using various methods, including psychological experiments, physiological and brain activity measurements, behavioral assessments, and computational modeling, with the main goal of clarifying human cognitive activities.

Job type and the number of positions:

1 Professor

Rank:

Full-time

Contract period: No fixed term

Trial period: 6 months from the date of employment

Address:

(Immediately after hiring)

Department of Psychological and Cognitive Sciences  
Graduate School of Informatics, Nagoya  
University, Furo-cho, Chikusa, Nagoya 464-8601,  
Japan

(Scope of change)

Workplace designated by the Tokai National Higher Education and Research System

Qualifications:

- 1) Applicants are required to hold a Ph.D. degree before the commencement of employment and have expertise and outstanding research achievements in social informatics.
- 2) Individuals with significant research accomplishments in areas such as cognitive science, experimental psychology, artificial intelligence, or educational technology. These individuals must be capable of conducting or supervising empirical research in psychological and cognitive science related to cognition, emotion, learning, development, and social behavior, with the main goal of clarifying human cognitive activities.
- 3) Ability to promote interdisciplinary research and to establish and lead international collaborative research initiatives.
- 4) Strong commitment to education at both undergraduate and graduate levels, with a sense of responsibility and a collaborative attitude.
- 5) Willingness to actively contribute to the administration and management of the Graduate School of Informatics.
- 6) Proficiency in Japanese communication skills necessary for performing the required tasks is also needed.

Salary: Salary and benefits will be determined as per the rules of the Tokai National Higher Education and Research System.

[https://public1.legalcrud.com/thers\\_ac/act/110001585.html](https://public1.legalcrud.com/thers_ac/act/110001585.html) (in Japanese)

Deadline for applications: June 22, 2026 - July 31, 2026 (Japan Standard Time (JST))

Date of commencement of employment: April 1, 2027, or later at the earliest convenience

Application materials (All requested documents should be compressed into one zip file):

1. Curriculum Vitae (any format, with photo attached, including email address)
2. A list of research achievements: ① Academic journal articles, ② Reviews/commentaries/books, ③ Oral presentations (domestic/international), ④ Other (awards, research grants [specify research title, period, amount, principal/co-investigator], social contribution activities, etc.)
3. Copies of major papers of applicant's own research(3 papers; reprints acceptable)

4. Vision for research and education after appointment (approx. 2 pages) as well as an abstract of research activities to date (approx. 2 pages).
5. A short essay on your teaching activities to date and teaching plans/aspirations (within 2 pages).
6. Names and contact information for two references who can provide information about the applicant
7. Electronic media (USB memory, etc.) containing items 1) to 6) above

Application submission:

Please mail the documents listed in 1) to 6) above, along with item 7), to the address below within the application period (must arrive by the deadline). \*Clearly mark the envelope “Application Documents for Cognitive Science Course Faculty Position Inside” and send via a method that provides a delivery record, such as registered mail by 5 p.m., 30 June 2026, JST.

Submission and contact address to:

Professor Nobuyuki Kawai  
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Cognitive Sciences  
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University  
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Phone: +81.52.789.5179

Application materials will be used only for this selection and will not be used for other purposes.

Selection process:

- Peer interview may be held after reviewing application materials.
- Applicants will be contacted by e-mail or phone.

Notes:

- Nagoya University promotes gender equality in employment and actively encourages female applicants if their achievements (including research achievements, educational achievements, social contributions, and personality) are evaluated as equivalent.
- Application materials will be used only for this selection and will not be used for other purposes.
- Application materials will be handled under the responsibility of the selection committee and will not be returned to the applicants.
- Travelling expenses for interviews will not be provided.
- In November 2021, in accordance with the clarification of the scope of control for “deemed exports” under the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act (FEFTA) of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), the provision of sensitive technology to faculty members and students in the universities of Japan has become subject to control under the

FEFTA based on the Japanese Policy. Due to this change, it is necessary for applicants to submit a “Self-declaration of Category Applicability” based on the “Flowchart for Category Applicability Judgment” (Form URL: <https://www.i.nagoya-u.ac.jp/resume/>). We will contact the relevant applicants later. Please note that the selected applicant will be asked to submit a “written oath” at the time of employment.

- Our university is actively working to promote diversity and work-life balance. Please see the URL below for details.

Gender Diversity Center Website: [https://www.kyodo-sankaku.provost.nagoya-u.ac.jp/Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging: DEIB\) Promotion Declaration: https://www.thers.ac.jp/about/declaration/deib/index.html](https://www.kyodo-sankaku.provost.nagoya-u.ac.jp/Diversity,Equity,Inclusion&Belonging:DEIB)PromotionDeclaration:https://www.thers.ac.jp/about/declaration/deib/index.html)

-If you have interrupted or delayed your research activities in the past due to childbirth, childcare, nursing, illness, etc., you can state these facts on your curriculum vitae. You will not be unfairly evaluated for stating these facts.

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