# The Cambridge Kahō Postdoctoral Research Associate (Fixed Term) in Japanese Studies



# At the University of Cambridge

The Department of East Asian Studies, within the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Cambridge, is seeking to appoint to a 3-year, fixed-term postdoctoral research associate post in Japanese Studies.

The post will start in September 2020 and last until August 2023. We are open to any speciality within Japanese Studies but preference will be given to candidates whose research and teaching interests complement those of the current staff. We also welcome applications from candidates who embody our "Japan and the World" campaign and with an interest in comparative studies in relation to the rest of East Asia.

Appointees will be expected to engage in high-level research, to publish in their specialist field, and to contribute to teaching within the existing curriculum, supervising and the examination of undergraduates (and perhaps masters students).

The successful candidate will have, or will be expected to develop, his or her own independent research portfolio of world class research commensurate with the international reputation of the faculty.

Teaching responsibilities will include:

- Contributing to undergraduate and graduate courses
- Supervising undergraduate and MPhil projects
- Examining undergraduate and MPhil students

## **Application Deadline**

Applications should be made via the online web recruitment system by 5:00pm (GMT) on February 29th, 2020. (<a href="http://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/job/24815/">http://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/job/24815/</a>). You will need to register an account and log in before completing the online application form. In addition, all applicants are asked to upload to the 'upload' section a representative piece of written work.

### **Education and Qualifications**

The applicant should have completed his/her PhD, submitted their thesis and had their viva (if necessary) by the time he or she arrives at Cambridge for the start of the position. A thorough knowledge of Japanese is expected. Candidates will be expected during their time at Cambridge to teach one text and translation class to undergraduates.

Evidence of high-quality research outputs, including publication in leading journals and conferences in the field, or at least the promise of during their time of employment, is expected.

Evidence of ability to work together with colleagues in a collegial and collaborative manner is expected as is evidence of broad and crossdisciplinary research interests.

#### Details

The salary scale for a Postdoctoral Research Associate is: £32,236 - £39,609.

The University values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity. The University has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to live and work in the UK.

#### **Questions or Queries**

Please email the chair of the search committee, Professor Mikael Adolphson (sma75@cam.ac.uk), if you have further queries.

Interviews are expected to be conducted in April 2020 (perhaps on Skype depending on the candidate's location).