

Year 2025–2026  
Call for ILCAA Joint Research Projects (by Visiting Foreign Researchers)  
Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa (ILCAA)  
Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

The Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa (ILCAA) is now soliciting proposals for ILCAA Joint Research Projects in which a visiting foreign researcher conducts a joint research project with one or more members of the ILCAA research staff from 2025 to 2026.

The joint researchers joining other categories of ILCAA Joint Research Projects (including “ILCAA Joint Research Projects for KKLO” and “ILCAA Joint Research Projects for young researchers”), even who are the project coordinators or sub-coordinators of them, are also allowed to apply this category.

\*Other categories of ILCAA joint research projects limit the number of projects that the applicants can join as project coordinator or sub-coordinator. However, this category will not be counted in the number.

1. Requirements for Joint Research Project

- 1) The proposed joint research project must be conducted by an applicant who will stay at ILCAA for a specified period between 2025 and 2026 and must be conducted with one or more members of the ILCAA research staff.
- 2) The joint research project must concern Asia and/or Africa (excluding Japan).
- 3) The research area for the project must fall under linguistics, cultural anthropology, history, or area studies.
- 4) Upon the completion of the project, the research results must be disseminated in the form of publications.

2. Requirements for Applicants

Applicants must meet all of the requirements below:

- 1) Applicants must be non-Japanese nationals and full-time researchers at an academic research institution/organization outside of Japan. Japanese nationals are eligible if they have been permanently employed as full-time researchers at an academic research institution/ organization outside of Japan for 10 or more years.
- 2) Applicants must possess research capabilities equivalent to that of professor or associate professor.

- 3) Applicants should be in good health for conducting the research.

### 3. Number of Projects to be Accepted

Approximately five

### 4. Project Duration

The project will be conducted from September 1, 2025 to August 31, 2026. Successful applicants will be given the status of “joint researcher” for the project duration.

### 5. Duration of Stay at ILCAA

Successful applicants will stay at ILCAA as foreign researchers for at least four months and up to six months during the project duration. The terms of the stay will be as follows.

- (1) 1st term: from September 2025 to March 2026

- (2) 2nd term: from April 2026 to July 2027

The successful applicants must stay for four to six consecutive months during the 1st term or for four consecutive months in the 2nd term. They can conduct their research projects anywhere in the world while they aren't staying at ILCAA. They should consult the ILCAA Administrative Office via the co-project ILCAA staff member if they want to stay during a period that covers both terms.

### 6. Terms and Conditions of Employment and Salary as a Visiting Foreigner Researcher

- 1) Foreign researchers will receive a salary during their stay at ILCAA, if eligible, based on the regulations of the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. (Prior to submitting the application, the applicant should consult his/her institution/organization and/or country of residence as to whether he/she is eligible to receive a salary from ILCAA.)
- 2) Offices will be allocated to foreign researchers and the Institute's other facilities and equipment will be made available to them during their stay at ILCAA. Accommodation can be arranged at the International Residence on campus. (If the applicant plans to stay with his/her family, please notify the ILCAA Administrative Office via the co-project ILCAA staff member at the time of submitting the application.)
- 3) The Social Insurance system is applicable during the period of employment.
- 4) Round-trip travel expenses between the applicant's permanent address and ILCAA are provided as per university regulations. Expenses for the family members of applicants are not included.

- 5) Foreign researchers will be required to give a presentation on the research project at academic meetings during their stay, and to submit reports on the achievements and results of their work at the end of the project period.
- 6) During the employment period, foreign researchers must carry out research at ILCAA. Overseas business trips are permitted only for those giving presentations at international academic meetings or for those engaging in a collaborative field research activity accompanied by their host ILCAA staff member. Foreign researchers may go on other overseas trips during paid holidays that are granted as per the regulations of the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies.

## 7. Application Process

### 1) Prior Consultation

In order to submit a proposal for the ILCAA joint research project, the applicant needs to contact a ILCAA research staff with whom the applicant plans to collaborate on the project. After sufficient consultation on the research plan, please state the name of the staff member on the application form as the applicant's co-project staff member. (For a list of staff and their areas of research, see the Appendix.)

### 2) Required Documents

The applicant must at first submit the following documents to the co-project ILCAA staff member. As the ILCAA staff must submit them to the ILCAA Administrative Office by November 30, 2024 (JST), the applicant should set the submission deadline before the date in consultation with the staff. The ILCAA staff will check the documents and send them to the Administrative Office as PDF. Only applications made in English or Japanese will be accepted.

- a) Application Form, Educational Background and Employment Experience (Please use the specified format which are available on our website <http://www.aa.tufts.ac.jp/ja/projects/jrp> )
- b) List of research achievements (in any format) and three publications
- c) Research proposal for the joint project that includes: (i) research outline, (ii) background of the research, (iii) role of the ILCAA research staff in the project as collaborators, and (iv) expected outcomes. (The proposal must be no more than three A4 or letter-size pages in length. Please note that proposals containing plans for co-authoring articles or books with the project participant(s) will be considered to have an advantage over other proposals during the selection process.)
- d) Letter of consent for the application from the head or divisional head of the

institution/organization to which the applicant belongs. The letter must be printed on the letterhead of the applicant's present institution/organization.

- e) Explanatory Document concerning Research Conditions 受入所員状況説明書 (It must be prepared by the co-project ILCAA staff member. Please see 8.)

#### 8. Preparation and Submission of an Explanatory Document concerning Research Conditions

The co-project ILCAA staff member who will conduct the joint research with the applicant must prepare an “Explanatory Document concerning Research Conditions (受入所員状況説明書)” and send it with other required documents submitted by the applicant to the ILCAA Administrative Office by November 30, 2024 (JST) as PDF.

#### 9. Notification of the Result

ILCAA will inform the applicants of the result of the screening by the end of March 2025.

#### 10. Inquiries

Inquiries should be addressed to the co-project ILCAA staff member.

## Appendix

### List of ILCAA Staff

#### Professors

**ARAKAWA, Shintaro.** Prof., Tangut Language and its Philology

**HOSHI, Izumi.** Prof., Linguistics of Tibetan Area

**IIZUKA, Masato.** Prof., Islamic Studies, Middle Eastern Studies

**KAWAI, Kaori.** Prof., Anthropology, East African Pastoralism

**KONDO, Nobuaki.** Prof., History of Modern Iran

**KUREBITO, Tokusu.** Prof., Chukchi Language

**KUROKI, Hidemitsu.** Prof., Area Studies of the Middle East, Modern History of the Arab East

**NAKAYAMA, Toshihide.** Prof., Wakashan Languages (North American Pacific Northwest Coast),  
Morphosyntax, Linguistic Typology

**NODA, Jin.** Prof., History of Central Asia, Russia-Qing relations

**OTA, Nobuhiro.** Prof., History of South Asia

**SAWADA, Hideo.** Prof., Description of Burmish Minority Languages, Study of the Systems of  
Indic Scripts in Mainland Southeast Asia

**SHIOHARA, Asako.** Prof., Linguistics, Languages in Indonesia

**TAKAMATSU, Yoichi.** Prof., Ottoman History, Diplomats, Archival Science

**TOGAWA, Masahiko.** Prof., Cultural Anthropology of South Asia, Bengal Studies

**TOKORO, Ikuya.** Prof., Anthropology of South-East Asian Islanders

**WATANABE, Honoré.** Prof., Salishan Languages

**YAMAKOSHI, Yasuhiro.** Prof., Mongolic Languages

#### Associate Professors

**ADACHI, Mayumi.** Assoc. Prof., Vietnamese Language, Pragmatics, Sociolinguistics

**ISHIKAWA, Hiroki.** Assoc. Prof., History of Sub-Saharan Africa

**KAWAI, Aya.** Assoc. Prof., Anthropology, Southeast Asia, Orang Asli

**KOGURA, Norikazu.** Assoc. Prof., Descriptive Linguistics, Sibe (Spoken Manchu)

**KURABE, Keita.** Assoc. Prof., Tibeto-Burman Languages, Languages in Myanmar

**OGURA, Satoshi.** Assoc. Prof., South Asian History

**SHIINO, Wakana.** Assoc. Prof., Social Anthropology, Ethnography of East Africa

**SHINAGAWA, Daisuke.** Assoc. Prof., Descriptive Linguistics on Bantu Languages

**YOSHIDA, Yukako.** Assoc. Prof., Cultural Anthropology on Indonesian performing arts, religions, and mask cultures

Assistant Professors

**GOTO, Emi.** Assist. Prof., Contemporary Islamic Studies, Gender

**KANDA, Yui.** Assist. Prof., Material cultures in the Muslim World; Islamic art and architecture; ceramics; manuscripts; metalwork; Persian literature; Arabic and Persian epigraphy; The arts of the Safavids; Twelver Shī'ism; Persian documents; Text transmission

**KURONUMA, Taichi.** Assist. Prof., Archaeology, Study of historical landscape in Southeast Arabia

**MURATSU, Ran.** Assist. Prof., Cultural Anthropology, Visual / Multimodal Anthropology, Religions in West Africa

**OGATA, Shirabe.** Assist. Prof., Anthropology of Arts, Nigerian area studies

**UETA, Naoki.** Assist. Prof., Linguistics, Phonetics and Phonology, Mongolian