

Job Information: Associate Professor or Assistant Professor as a Tenure-track Faculty Position (mechanics of materials, strength of materials, manufacturing, and process integration in mechanical engineering)

Employer: Yokohama National University (YNU)

The Specialization in Mechanical Engineering within the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Materials Science, and Ocean Engineering at the Graduate School of Engineering Science, Yokohama National University (YNU) is now inviting applications for an associate professor or an assistant professor as a tenure-track faculty position in the field of mechanical engineering. The following is an overview of the position, required qualifications and application procedure:

1. Job title: Tenure-track Associate Professor or Tenure-track Assistant Professor

2. The number of positions: 1

3. Job description: Candidate's area of research must be in the following area:

Mechanics of materials, strength of materials, manufacturing, and process integration in mechanical engineering and related area. A successful candidate will be expected to participate in undergraduate and graduate educational programs in mechanical engineering and aerospace engineering for the above-mentioned areas. Also, the candidate will be expected to participate some subjects of practices or experiments. Furthermore, as the principal investigator, the candidate will be expected to manage the laboratory and own research (including joint research and research conducted in collaboration with other researchers) and supervise students, including undergraduate and graduate students assigned to the laboratory. Alongside educational and research activities, a tenure-track associate professor is also expected to take a role in administrative duties.

4. Start date: April 1st, 2026 or the earliest possible date thereafter

5. Address of work location: 79-5, Tokiwadai, Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama, Kanagawa, Japan

6. Term of employment: Term of employment is 5 years, however, candidates with significant achievements during their term will be promoted to a tenured position as Associate Professors.

*The trial period is six months.

A tenure review may be conducted early depending on the candidate's research and educational achievements during the term.

Depending on the candidate's research and educational achievements at the time of application, the candidate may be hired as an Associate Professor (a full-time tenured position) through concurrent tenure review. (Retirement age is 65.)

7. Candidates must have a doctoral degree or acquire a doctoral degree before occupying this position. Candidates whose mother tongue is not Japanese should have a working knowledge of Japanese in order to carry out education and research activities.

8. Compensation: It depends on regulation of the Yokohama National University. Basic salary is determined in accordance with regulations of YNU.

Working hours (Discretionary labor system):

Due to the application of professional discretionary work system, it is considered to have worked 7 hours and 45 minutes per day.

Days off:

Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, summer holidays (Monday between August 12 and 18), and year-end through New Year holidays (from December 29 to January 3 of the following year).

Salary:

Annual Salary:

[Associate Professor] 7 million yen ~ 9 million Japanese yen

[Assistant Professor] 6 million yen ~ 7 million Japanese yen

The above amount is just an estimate Annual salary system. It depends on the regulation of the Yokohama National University. Basic Salary will be decided taking your academic background, professional background, etc. into account.

Various insurances (Social insurance, Labor insurance):

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Mutual Aid Association, Employee pension insurance, unemployment insurance, workers' accident compensation insurance.

9. Completed applications must be received by August 29th, 2025, and will then be considered for eligibility. Completed applications should include the following documents:

- (1) Curriculum vitae with photo
- (2) A photocopy of your doctoral degree certificate (doctoral degree holder only)
- (3) Lists of research achievements, including the lists of refereed journal publications, international conference papers, invited talks, books, etc. Please indicate the impact factor and the citation number of each refereed journal publication.
- (4) About 5 copies of work from major publications
- (5) Achievements showing research activities such as various competitive research funds and grants, industry-academia-government joint research, international research activities, inventions, patents, etc. (distinguish between principal investigator and co-investigator)
- (6) Summary of research achievements (up to 2 pages including figures)
- (7) Research plan at YNU (up to 2 pages including figures)

(8) A short statement of your educational goals (up to 2 pages including figures)

(9) Other special remarks (optional)

(10) Contact information and addresses of two references

Non-Japanese applicants may apply in English.

10. All the documents (1)-(10) should be submitted as pdf files (electronic files) using the NII File Sender service provided by the National Institute of Informatics. You must send an email to the following email address (see “11. Contact”) with the title "Request for submission of application documents via NII File Sender" at least one week before the application deadline. Then, we will contact you to tell you how to handle the NII File Sender.

11. Contact

Mailing address: Professor Kazuhiro Ishii, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Materials Science, and Ocean Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering Science, Yokohama National University, 79-5 Tokiwadai, Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama 240-8501, Japan

E-mail address: ishii-kazuhiro-rh@ynu.ac.jp

12. After a review of the applications, interviews will be held at YNU with successful candidates in September 2025. Those who are invited to interviews will not be reimbursed for travel expenses. Only those candidates who pass the document review and are selected for an interview will be contacted by e-mail regarding the interview. Candidates will be notified of the results of the selection process by e-mail.

13. All documents provided will only be used for application purposes and will be disposed of safely after the selection is completed in order to maintain the privacy of personal information.

14. Our university welcomes the active application of women and those who have experience in education and research overseas, based on the spirit of the Yokohama National University Declaration of Gender Equality and from the perspective of aiming for diversity of human resources.