Recruitment notice

No	Items	Contents
1	Affiliation	Department of Informatics and Data Science
2	Position	Associate Professor or Lecturer (Associate Professor preferred)
3	Number of Position	1
4	Major	The field of intelligent robotics, including robot AI, physical AI, autonomous navigation and environment perception, sensor fusion, motion planning, human-robot collaboration, and related areas.
5	Subject	Intelligent Robotics, Computer Control Engineering, Robot Kinematics, Robot Dynamics, Digital Transformation (DX) Project Practice, and related subjects.
6	Requirement	(1)Applicants must hold a doctoral degree (PhD). (2) Applicants must understand the current status and mission of the University and the Faculty, be committed to education, research, and faculty administration, and be able to communicate effectively with faculty members, administrative staff, and students. (3) Applicants should have an established record of research achievements and expertise in the field of intelligent robotics, including robot AI, physical AI, autonomous navigation and environment perception, sensor fusion, motion planning, human-robot collaboration, and related areas, and be able to continue conducting high-level research after appointment. (4) Applicants must be enthusiastic about undergraduate and graduate education. Applicants of all nationalities are welcome, provided they possess sufficient Japanese language proficiency to carry out research, teaching, and administrative duties. (5)Applicants must be capable of delivering lectures in English.
7	Date of Adoption	As early as possible on or after March 1, 2027
8	Terms and Conditions of Employment	Salary, Working Hours, Leave, and Benefits: Employment conditions shall be governed by the employment regulations of Akita University, including provisions on salary, working hours, leave, and employee benefits. [Salary] Annual salary system (salary will be determined and paid in accordance with the University's salary regulations). [Working Hours] Discretionary Labor System for Professional Work (deemed working hours: 7 hours and 45 minutes per day). [Holidays] Saturdays and Sundays, national holidays, and the year-end/New Year holiday period (December 29 to January 3). [Social Insurance] Enrollment in the Mutual Aid Association of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT Mutual Aid Association) and the Japanese labor insurance system.
9	Term	Full-time (Tenured)
10	Required Documents	(1) Resume with a photo attached (including educational background, business career, affiliated academic society, reward and punishment) (2) Certificate of diploma or Photocopy of diploma (3) List of publication: books, doctoral dissertation, papers published or decided to publish in peer review journals, proceedings of international conference, other significant papers, patents (4) Reprint of publications (about five pieces of significant papers) and brief explanations of academic contributions about them (5) Summary of previous research and a plan of future research (Approx. 2 pages, A4 paper) (6) Summary of educational experience and a plan of education in Akita University (Approx. 2pages,A4 paper) (7) List of acquired external funding (Grant in Aid for Scientific Research, collaborative research and funded research etc.) (8) Background of activities in academic society (committee and so on) (9) Background of social activities (10) Record of awards (11) Name and contact address of two persons who can be inquired concerning the applicant (Address, phone number and E-mail address etc.) (12) Contact information of the applicant (Address, phone number and E-mail address etc.)
11	Due Date	Application materials must arrive no later than Friday, October 30, 2026.
12	Selection Method	Document screening, interview, and demonstration lecture
13	Destiantion	Person in charge: Junya Fujisawa Akita University Faculty of Informatics and Data Science 1-1, Tegata Gakuen-machi, Akita City, Akita 010-8502, JAPAN TEL：018－889－2268 E-mail：ds_somu@jimu.akita-u.ac.jp
14	Notice	The successful candidate will be appointed at the rank of either Associate Professor or Lecturer, depending on the candidate's qualifications, achievements, and experience in education, research, and service. The University promotes Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DE&I) and gender equality, and is committed to the active recruitment of female faculty members. In cases where candidates are evaluated as equivalent in terms of achievements and qualifications, including research accomplishments, educational achievements, social contributions, and personal qualities, preference will be given to female applicants. The University also provides several support programs for female faculty members, including a "Start-up Research Fund Support Program" for newly appointed full-time female faculty members, and a "Research Assistant Support Program" that assigns research assistants to help female faculty members balance research activities with childbirth, childcare, and related responsibilities. In addition, the "Consortium for Supporting Women Researchers in Akita," consisting of higher education and research institutions in Akita Prefecture, has established an award system recognizing outstanding achievements and initiatives by women researchers. For further information on the University's diversity promotion initiatives, please visit: Diversity Promotion Initiatives https://www.akita-u.ac.jp/honbu/danjyo/index.html Diversity Promotion Office "Coloconi" https://www.akita-u.ac.jp/coloconi/ ========== Akita University has been certified as a "Childcare Support Company" and has received the Kurumin Certification Mark under the Act on Advancement of Measures to Support Raising Next-Generation Children. ========== In this recruitment, applications from early-career researchers are particularly encouraged.
15	Misc.	Please write "Faculty Application" in red on the envelope and send the application materials by registered mail. Applicants are also requested to enclose digital copies of the application materials on a USB flash drive. Please note that submitted application materials will not be returned. In addition, the successful candidate may be assigned to teach graduate-level courses in an existing graduate school/program concurrently.