

2026/10/27

Postdoctoral Researcher at Yukawa Institute for Theoretical Physics, Kyoto University (Deadline : December 10, 2026, 1:00 p.m.(JST))

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Yukawa Institute for Theoretical Physics (YITP) invites applications for the following researcher position.

1. Number of available positions: Postdoctoral Researcher / Several positions

The title of "Senior Research Fellow" may be granted depending on experience and achievements.

2. Qualification: The candidate must be researchers in theoretical physics, and must hold a doctoral degree (or expect to receive a doctoral degree by the time of appointment)

3. Job description: Research in theoretical physics and related work

4. Job location: Yukawa Institute for Theoretical Physics, Kyoto University, Kitashirakawa Oiwakecho, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto (at home or other places if the university allows or orders to work remotely)

5. Starting date: April 1, 2027 or the earliest possible date thereafter

6. Contract term: The appointment is for two years, with the possibility of a one-year extension subject to evaluation. Contract renewal will be determined taking into consideration factors such as workload, work performance, attitude, ability, progress of work, administrative circumstances, and the status of the receipt of external funding for employment at the time of the expiration of the contract period.

7. Probation period: Six months

8. Working hours: Discretionary labor system, based on 7 hours, 45 minutes per day, 38 hours 45 minutes per week. Days off: Saturdays, Sundays, National holidays, Year-end and New Year holidays, and the University Foundation Day.

※If you do not choose to use the discretionary labor system, your working hours are from 8:30 to 17:15 with one hour break (12:00-13:00) each day.

※Overtime may be required when necessary.

9. Salary: JPY 380,000 / month. A small amount of research grant is provided.

10. Allowance: None.

11. Social insurance: MEXT Mutual Aid Association

Employee's pension insurance

Employment insurance

Worker's accident insurance

12. Application deadline: All materials must arrive by December 10, 2026, 1:00 p.m. (JST)

13. Selection: Selection will be made based on the documents submitted. The successful candidate will be determined around the end of January 2027.

14. Application documents:

The candidate is required to submit the following documents (1) to (5) in a single PDF file in order of their numbers, via following form; <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/S4Zr06y0Up>

(1) Curriculum vitae

(2) List of publications (for co-authored papers, please clearly list the names of co-authors and mark up to three of the most significant papers)

(3) Research history

(4) Research plan

(5) PDF copies of publications marked in (2) or their arXiv numbers

(6) One or two letters of reference ※The letter of reference (6) should be submitted directly from each referee via online (<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/ERYj6ER7fv>)

15. Contact: Natsuko Yasutomi (International Program Coordinator)

Email: yasutomi.natsuko.4x_{AT}_kyoto-u.ac.jp

16. Notes:

(1) One to three of the Research Fellows at YITP may be appointed as Yukawa Research Fellows.

<https://www2.yukawa.kyoto-u.ac.jp/~yukawa.kinen.zaidan/>

As of October 2026, all of these positions have already been filled; however, if a vacancy arises, candidates will be selected from among the applicants. Those who wish to be considered for the Yukawa Research Fellow position should indicate this in the relevant section of the application form.

(2) The department is building a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages applications regardless of gender or disability. The university is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer.

(3) The university will not return your application documents. Personal information contained in the application documents will be used solely for screening applicants, and never for any other purposes.

(4) The university prohibits on-campus smoking except in designated outdoor spaces to minimize

secondhand smoke exposure.

- (5) The university is committed to preventing harassment of job applicants in accordance with laws and regulations, and provides support measures, including a consultation desk, at the following link:

<https://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/about/human-rights/harassment-policy-at-kyoto-university>

- (6) Other opportunities

<https://www.yukawa.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en-GB/contents/open-recruitment>