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From: Susumu Okitsu, Dean, Graduate School of Horticulture, Chiba University

Recruitment (Request) for Teacher

I hope the season finds you healthy and prospering.

I would also like to sincerely thank you for the support and cooperation that you always provide for our graduate school's education and research.

I am writing today because, as described below, our graduate school is seeking to recruit a teacher and I would like to ask that you please provide your good offices in this matter.

Details

1. Field of Recruitment

- (1) Job description Bioresource Science Course, Division of Environmental Horticulture
Assistant professor (5-year term of employment based on a tenure-track system)

This recruitment is being conducted in accordance with the "Rules Related to the Tenure-Track System for Chiba University Teachers." Thus, by the time that the recruited teacher's 5-year term ends, a review for granting tenure will be conducted, and, if approved, the teacher will become an employee to whom the retirement system applies.

- (2) Education and research program Horticultural Plant Production and Breeding Program,
Field of Horticultural Plant Production

- (3) Main courses to be taught (tentative)

Graduate School of Horticulture

Doctoral Program Physiology of Plant Resources

Master's Program Advanced Fruit Tree Growing, Graduate Research I, Graduate Seminar I

Faculty of Horticulture Practical Training in Crop Management I, II, Advanced Field of Horticultural
Corp Production

Practical Course of Horticultural Plant and Breeding (for each of the four preceding courses, shared responsibility), specialized research

Other: Teaching duties may also include specialized courses in English or general education courses.

2. Applicant Requirements, etc.

- (1) Must have obtained a doctorate or PhD degree within the past 10 years

- (2) Planned date for assumption of post: October 1, 2014

- (3) The kinds of applicants being sought

The Horticultural Plant Production and Breeding Program entails education and research related to general production processes for horticultural crops: everything from breeding to cultivation and use. The program fosters individuals able to contribute in a broad range of areas, from basic research in horticultural fields to practical uses in

applied fields. This recruitment is being carried out by the Fruit Tree Science Group. This group conducts research aimed at developing advanced technologies for cultivating fruit trees and at elucidating the basic theories of those technologies. For example, it conducts research focused on the physiological factors involved in the cultivation of fruit trees and research related to the physiology of growth, the physiologically active substances, and the environmental factors, of fruit trees. Applicants are wanted who have research achievements in such areas of research and who will be able to conduct research using molecular biology techniques in the future. With regard to educational duties, applicants are wanted who are eager to actively engage in education related to experimentation and farming practices, which are both features of this field.

Field of Horticultural Plant Production 4 professors, 4 associate professors, 3 assistant professors
(including 1 candidate from this recruitment)

Field of Breeding 2 professors, 1 associate professor, 2 assistant professors

(4) About the term of employment

For this post, the intention is to provide a 5-year term of employment. In the third year after hiring, an interim evaluation is carried out. In the fifth year, there is an examination prescribed by Chiba University. If this examination is passed, the individual becomes a teacher employed under the university's retirement system.

3. Documents Required for Application

Please submit documents (1)-(7), printed on A4-sized paper, and also a CD containing the documents (1)-(7) recorded in separate PDF files.

- (1) Curriculum Vitae
- (2) List of Research Achievements
- (3) Samples of applicant's writings: Up to 10 representative works such as academic essays and books
- (4) Record of Academic Achievements
- (5) Overview of the applicant's education and research until now and future educational and research aspirations (A4-sized paper, up to 3 pages)
- (6) Items deserving special mention (Please mention such things as research grants or other funds awarded by outside organizations, and overseas experience.)
- (7) The names and contact information of two people who know the applicant well

4. Application Deadline

Documents must arrive by Friday, June 20, 2014.

5. Send Documents and Inquiries to:

Kiyoshi Nakamuta, Director
Bioresource Science Course, Graduate School of Horticulture, Chiba University
648 Matsudo, Matsudo City, Chiba 271-8510
Phone: 047-308-8830 E-mail: nakamuta@faculty.chiba-u.jp

(Note: It is desirable that the documents be sent by registered mail, but they may also be sent by courier service. On the envelope, write, in red, "Contains application documents for the Horticultural Plant Production and Breeding Program." Also, for applications from overseas, please use EMS.)

For information on the Graduate School of Horticulture and the Environmental Science for Bioproduction Program, please visit <http://www.h.chiba-u.jp>.

6. Guidelines for Preparing the Application Documents

(1) Curriculum Vitae

Please enter your academic background, starting from high school graduation. Please enter overseas education and

research only if it involved a stay abroad of at least 6 months.

(2) List of Research Achievements

1) Original essays

- a) Essays that were published in academic or scholarly journals that have a referee system
- b) Essays published in academic reports of universities, research conference papers, test site reports, symposia, etc.

2) Books and translations: Distinguish between independently authored and jointly authored works. For jointly authored works, state the part of which you were in charge.

3) Reports, documents, book reviews

4) General articles

5) Articles written to disseminate information or for practical purposes

6) Presentations made at academic conferences, research conferences, lecture meetings, symposia, seminars, etc.: Up to 10 significant presentations that were made in the past 5 years and that were included among the collected papers from the event. (At the end of this section, please enter the total number of additional presentations that you have made.)

7) Plans and designs

8) Patents

9) Qualifications, skills

(3) Record of Academic Achievements

Please list any courses, experiment supervision or other activities of which you have been in charge hitherto in undergraduate school, graduate school or elsewhere. (Include any experiment supervision from your post-doc period.)

(4) Items deserving special mention

(There is no prescribed form for this. Please enter the items individually on A4-sized paper.)

- 1) Please enter your record of being selected for scientific research grants and of obtaining other outside funds.
- 2) Other activities deserving special mention. Please enter these, including your social contributions.

(5) The prescribed forms – Curriculum Vitae, List of Research Achievements, and Record of Academic Achievements – can be downloaded from the Graduate School of Horticulture's webpage devoted to this recruitment, <http://www.h.chiba-u.jp/to-company06.html>.

7. Miscellaneous

- (1) There is a chance that you may be asked to come to the university and be interviewed or conduct a seminar.
- (2) Regarding your research achievements, you may be asked to submit additional materials.
- (3) In the selection process for this recruitment, applicants will be judged based on their research achievements, educational achievements, and other achievements heretofore. Gender, nationality, the institution to which the applicant belonged at the time of application, and other such matters will not be considered whatsoever.