

Call for Applications: Graduate School of Advanced Integrated Studies in Human Survivability
(Fixed-term employee) Program-Specific Researcher

April 17, 2025

Job Type	Program-specific researcher
Number of positions	One
Affiliation	Social Information Studies Course Wide-area Information Network Course Graduate School of Informatics, Kyoto University (Location: Yoshida-honmachi, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto City)
Job description	This call pertains to the project “Innovation in Blockchain, Cryptocurrency, and Digital Payments” (Ripple's Impact Fund , Silicon Valley Community Foundation, Principal Investigator: Professor Yuichi Ikeda). We seek a postdoctoral researcher to join our team in building a framework that merges conversational AI agents with blockchain-based decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs). This research seeks to develop robust AI-driven solutions that can detect anomalies more effectively and foster collaborative consensus among a diverse network of stakeholders. The successful candidate will work on designing, building, and deploying conversational AI agents that assist traders and DAO members in analyzing market conditions, detecting anomalies, and autonomously executing secure crypto-asset transactions.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants must hold (or be very close to completing) a PhD in computer science, AI, data science, or a related discipline. - The areas of research expertise include (but are not limited to): conversational AI, large language models, multiagent systems, reinforcement learning, and consensus and decision support systems. - Proficiency in English is essential. Japanese language skills are a bonus. - Demonstrates ability to work in multidisciplinary teams, spanning computer science, software engineering, finance, and mathematics.
Starting date	May 1, 2025, or the earliest possible date thereafter
Term	Until March 31, 2027 There will be no renewal of the employment period
Trial period	6 months
Working style	Professional discretionary work system (Equivalent to 38 hours and 45 minutes per week) holidays: Saturday, Sunday, public holidays, Kyoto

	University Foundation Day (Jun. 18)
Salary, etc.	350,000 yen per month or more Determined based on ability and career history in accordance with the university's salary rules.
Allowance	No allowance
Social insurance	Enrollment in the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Mutual Aid Association, Employee's Pension Insurance, Employment Insurance, and Work Accident Compensation Insurance
Application documents/method	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resume with photo, email, and phone number 2. List of research achievements 3. Please send by email to the address below Outline of your research to date in an A4 document (free format) Please write "Kyoto University Graduate School of Informatics, Social Informatics Course, Wide-area Information Network Course" in the subject line. Email address: rafik.hadfi*i.kyoto-u.ac.jp (Replace * with @)
Deadline	Open until the position is filled. Final deadline: May 31, 2025
Selection method	After document screening, candidates will be interviewed. Applicants will be contacted at a later date with details of interview dates and times. We will be flexible in accommodating people living overseas.
Contact details	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rafik Hadfi Social Informatics Course, Wide-area Information Network Course, Kyoto University Graduate School of Informatics, Kyoto University Tel.: 075-753-4959, Fax: 075-753-4820 Email: rafik.hadfi*i.kyoto-u.ac.jp (Replace * with @) 2. Yuichi Ikeda Ikeda Laboratory, Graduate School of Advanced Integrated Studies in Human Survivability, Kyoto University Tel.: 075-762-2127 (Secretary) Email: ikeda.yuichi.2w*kyoto-u.ac.jp(Replace * with @) Please contact by email if possible
Other matters	1. The successful candidate will be employed as a program-specific researcher affiliated with the Graduate School of Advanced Integrated Studies in Human Survivability, but will work in the Graduate School

	<p>of Informatics as stated above.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="512 315 1361 450">2. The documents submitted will be used only for the recruitment screening process. They will not be disclosed, transferred, or lent to a third party without a valid reason.<li data-bbox="512 450 1361 584">3. In principle, application documents will not be returned. Kyoto University promotes gender equality. We look forward to receiving applications from female researchers.<li data-bbox="512 584 1361 743">4. Kyoto University takes measures to prevent passive smoking, such as prohibiting smoking indoors on all campuses and prohibiting smoking outdoors except in designated smoking areas.
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