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## Marine Core Research Institute Research Fellowship for Doctoral Students (MaCRI-RFD)

## <Purpose>

The purpose of this program is to support the development of researchers who will lead the future by employing doctoral students with innovative ideas and enthusiasm for research as research associates. The successful candidate will work with faculty members in various fields of drilling earth science (earth and planetary science, marine mineral resources science, life science, etc.) to advance their own research projects.

<Details>

- Will be employed as a specially-appointed researcher (equivalent to assistant professor level)
- Working hours: Maximum 18 hours/week
- \* Working hours will be determined based on each individual's circumstances and the results of the selection process.
- Hourly wage : 2,200 JPY
- Duration: Until March 31, 2028. For enrolled students, the applicable period is either until the above-mentioned date or until the completion of the standard study period (three years), whichever comes first.
- Applicants: Doctoral students whose primary supervisor is a full-time faculty member of the Marine Core Research Institute in charge of the doctor courses in the Applied Science Program or the Kuroshio Science Program. The students must not be a recipient of any other scholarship program or young researcher training program. New students are mainly eligible, but current students are also eligible to apply.
- Number of successful applicants: ~1 per year (Varies depending on the annual budget situation)
- Requirements: Those selected for this program are required to apply for the JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship (DC2) after the second year of employment. They are also required to submit a progress report on their research at the end of the fiscal year.

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• Research Support: Students selected for this fellowship are eligible to receive support for their research activities with regard to conference presentations and research travel expenses through MaCRI-RSG program.

<Application Flow>

- 1. Contact with the desired academic advisor regarding research content, plan, and application to the program
- 2. Submit the application documents (to MaCRI Office)
- 3. Selection and informal acceptance within the institute
- 4. Entrance examination in each department
- 5. After the admission examination, informal offer of employment
- 6. Enrolment procedures (through each department) and employment-related procedures (at MaCRI Office)

For information on entrance examinations and admission policies for each department, please refer to the following URL https://nyusi.kochi-u.jp/daigakuin/admissions

\* Basically, the first round of recruitment will be conducted (June to August), assuming that applicants will take the first examination for admission. If the number of applicants is not reached in the first round of recruitment, additional recruitment may be carried out (December to February), targeting candidates who have taken the second or third round of examinations.

\* Information on the status of applications and selection at the Institute will be shared with each department as needed.

< Application Information >

The information will be posted on the MaCRI website. https://www.kochi-u.ac.jp/marine-core/en/research/education.html

< Application Documents Submission > Administration Office of Marine Core Research Institute <u>kk21@kochi-u.ac.jp</u>

MaCRI-RFD Program Outline

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<Academic advisor in MaCRI>

• Applied Science Program

http://science.cc.kochi-u.ac.jp/info/dtl.php?hdnKey=1189

Iwai, Ikehara, Yamamoto, Ujiie

•Kuroshio Science Program <u>http://www.kochi-u.ac.jp/kuroshio/index-e.html</u>

Okumura, Uramoto

\*Please refer to the MaCRI website for each of the faculty member's specialty, research theme, and contact information.

https://www.kochi-u.ac.jp/marine-core/en/about/member.html

<Other Reference Information>

All links below are in Japanese. Contact a faculty member for more information.

•Admission Fee: Admission fee for doctoral students not collected since 2023 http://www.kochi-u.ac.jp/campus/life/hukuri/inseikeizaishien.html

•Tuition fee and Exemption

Tuition fee: 535,800 JPY/year

About tuition waiver <a href="http://www.kochi-u.ac.jp/campus/life/hukuri/jugyo\_menjo/">http://www.kochi-u.ac.jp/campus/life/hukuri/jugyo\_menjo/</a>

•Other Expenses

Student Accident Insurance for Education and Research (20 million yen course): 2,600 JPY (for 3 years)

GAKKENSAI supplementary liability insurance subscription fee (A course): 1,020 yen (for 3 years)

•Rent in Nankoku City: ~40,000 JPY (for 1K/1DK)

•International students may be able to use the dormitories upon application.

•If you have an independent livelihood, you will need to take the necessary procedures to join and manage your own National Health Insurance and National Pension. For the National Pension, there is a special system for student payment.