Postdoctoral Research Scholar in Modern Japanese History
2024-2025

The Weatherhead East Asian Institute invites applications for the role of Postdoctoral Research Scholar in Modern Japanese History for academic year 2024-2025. WEAI seeks a Postdoctoral Research Scholar who studies the history of Japan from 1800 to present. The Research Scholar will teach one course each semester as well as pursue their own research. At least one of the two courses will be a seminar, directed at advanced undergraduate and M.A. students. The Research Scholar will participate in collaborative projects with other Japan studies scholars, staff and students, contribute to the Institute’s M.A. in Regional Studies: East Asia program, and be an active participant in day-to-day WEAI programs and events.

The appointment is for the 2024-2025 academic year, beginning September 1, 2024, ending August 31, 2025. The position comes with shared office space and access to the libraries and resources of Columbia University. The incumbent is eligible for a number of benefits, including health and dental insurance.

Eligibility
- Applicants must have completed all Ph.D. degree requirements (dissertation completed and filed) between June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2024.
- English language proficiency required.
- Individuals without prior full-time teaching experience preferred.

Application Process
To apply, submit application materials to Susan Anthony (sa4062@columbia.edu). Please note that applicants are required to send all files in one email or to upload them to a cloud-based application and send the URL via email for full consideration. Faxed or mailed applications will not be considered.

- Application Cover Sheet
- 1-2 page Cover Letter that briefly states your interest in the program, your background, and a summary of your research
- Curriculum Vitae, up-to-date and including a list of classes taught (if any)
- Course Evaluations for classes taught (if any)
- Two Course Syllabi for seminars (directed to M.A. and advanced undergraduate students)
- Two Letters of Reference (provided via Interfolio) that include an evaluation of the applicant’s research, proposed courses, and prior teaching experience.

Application Deadline
All application materials (including letters of reference) must be received by the Institute on or before Friday, May 24. Candidates may be invited for an interview to be held by video, phone or in person. All evaluations made in connection with applications received are confidential.

Awards will be announced no later than June 7. Acceptance of award is due on or before June 14.