The recruitment in this August is opened for the following five programs. The guideline and application form are opened at GCOE web page (http://www.ees.hokudai.ac.jp/gcoe/en/careerup/200908/index.html). We will accept the

application form as an attached file to e-mail to GCOE Unit by 23:59 (Japan Standard Time, JST) August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

#### **Application Eligibility**

- 1. **Doctor's course students** in four Divisions, Graduate School of Environmental Science and Division of environmental Resources, Graduate school of Agriculture (Hereafter, "Five Divisions"). Master's course students for some programs. You must consult with your supervisor or academic advisor before applying.
- 2. Young researchers such as doctoral fellows and fixed-term staffs in 20s and 30s supervised by professors belong to Five Divisions as "main" staffs. If you are a young researcher and not working in Faculty of Earth Environmental Science, please confirm whether you meet application eligibility or not. You must consult with your supervisor or academic advisor before applying.
- Professors, (included fixed-term position) in Five Divisions as "main" staffs.
  In each program, there is different applicant eligibility. Please check the web site for official guideline for each program.

#### (c) Travel support funding for overseas conferences and workshops

Purpose: To give opportunities for doctor's course students to attend overseas academic conferences, workshops, and meetings, and to encourage them to conduct their research from the international perspective as an international career.

Applicant Eligibility: Doctor's course students and young researchers.

Target: Travels departed between October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010, to attend international academic conferences, symposiums, meetings, and international summer school held overseas or the likes. Application which has not been adopted once will be able to re-submit to the next recruitment if it is still in the covered period. Recruitments will be also opened in next December (Covered period: From February, 2010 to August, 2010) and in next April (Covered period: From June, 2010 to December, 2010).

Selection Criteria and Fund Amount: Give preference to applicants who are not experienced with presentations at the overseas international academic conferences. However, we are still

adopting applicants who have attended international academic conference before. Funding will cover air ticket and accommodation fee (8000yen per night). About **40 applications** will be adopted in fiscal year 2009.

## (d) Support funding for visiting program for overseas institutes and fields

Purpose: For Doctor's course students and young researchers to have skills to conduct their research with practical perspectives and international connections of researches such as collaboration research by staying overseas for a short period or the experiencing a long-term internship at a practical institution. In particular, to encourage them to establish international careers as researchers. We also support overseas field research enhancing international research collaboration

Applicant Eligibility: Doctor's course students and young researchers.

Target: Visit to overseas research institution, practical institutions and fields. The visiting starts between October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010, and the visiting duration is up to 6 months. Application which has not been adopted once will be able to re-submit to the next recruitment if it is still in the covered period. Recruitments will be also opened in next December (Covered period: From February, 2010 to November, 2010) and in next April (Covered period: From June 2010 to March 2011).

Selection Criteria and Fund Amount: Research plan and the needs for the fund will be examined. However, we are still adopting applicants who have attended international academic conference before. Funding will cover air ticket and part of actual accommodation fee. The supported accommodation fee will be up to 150,000 yen or for one month in the standard case. This limit will be adjusted according to the visiting duration. About **20 applications** will be adopted in fiscal year 2009.

#### (e) Invitation fellowship program for overseas researcher A and B

Purpose: To support for doctor's course students, young researchers and academic staffs to promote their research and to make international exchange by inviting international researchers.

- <u>Category A</u>: Support of stay during 2 weeks to 2 months (1 researcher).
- <u>Category B</u>: Support of short-term stay for attending international workshop (several researchers).

Applicant Eligibility: Doctor's course student, young researchers and **professors**.

Target: Travel expenses and reward for person who will arrive in Japan from October, 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 to April, 30<sup>th</sup> 2010. Application which has not been adopted once will be able to re-submit to the next recruitment if it is still in the covered period. Recruitments will be also opened in

next December (Covered period: From February, 2010 to August, 2010) and in next April (Covered period: From June, 2010 to December, 2010).

Selection Criteria and Fund Amount: Amount of funding is supposed up to 1,200,000 yen per an applicant according to the regulation in Hokkaido University. Accommodation fee is 10,000yen (for students) or 12,000yen (researchers) per night. About **14 applications** will be adopted in fiscal year 2009.

# (f) Invitation fellowship program for domestic researcher

Purpose: To support for master's course students and doctor's course students will to promote their research and to make academic exchange by inviting domestic researchers or overseas researchers visiting other institution in Japan for workshops, seminars etc..

Applicant Eligibility: Master's course students and Doctor's course students (who do not exceed regulation term of the course, i.e., 3 years).

Target: Travel expenses and reward for person who will visit from October 1st, 2009 to April 30th, 2010. Application which has not been adopted once will be able to re-submit to the next recruitment if it is still in the covered period. Recruitments will be also opened in next December (Covered period: From February, 2010 to August, 2010) and in next April (Covered period: From June, 2010 to December, 2010).

Selection Criteria and Fund Amount: Amount of funding is up to 200,000yen per an applicant according to the regulation in Hokkaido University. About **7 applications** will be adopted in fiscal year 2009.

## (g) Original proposal for Career-up program B

Applicant Eligibility: Master's course students and Doctor's course students, young researchers and professors

Covered period: From October, 2009 to March, 2010.

Recruitment Contents and Fund Amount: Fund amount is within 1,000,000 yen per one proposal. The proposal has to be different from other Career-up programs and also has to be related to cultivation of human resources. Applicants must submit a proposal with free format (A4 paper, 1-2 pages) including outline, project contents and budgetary steps. The proposal will be selected after the selection committee's interview and suggestions to the original proposal. A few proposals will be adopted.

There is no recruitment for the following two programs in this August.

- (a) Research assistantship for doctoral candidate
- (b) Research grant for young scientists

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		Applicant Eligibility					Timing		Support amount		
Career-up Programs		Master Course	Doctor Course	Doctor (>3yr)	Young Researcher	Professors	Recruit	Date of Practice	# of adation	Standard Expenses (10K yen)	
a	Research assistantship for doctoral candidate (GCOE-RA)	N	R	N	N	N	Apr	Jul – N.Mar	90	27, 54, 81	
b	Research grant for young scientist	N	R	Y	Y	N	Apr	Jun – N.Mar	14	50	
c	Travel support funding for overseas conferences & workshops	N	R	Y	Y	N	Apr Aug Dec	Jun - Dec Oct - N.Apr N Feb2 - N.Aug	40	25	
d	Support funding for visiting program for overseas institutes and fields	N	R	D	R	N	Apr Aug Dec	Jun - N.Mar Oct - N.Jul N.Feb - N.Nov	20	40	
e	Invitation fellowship program for overseas researcher A & B	N	R	D	R	Y	Apr Aug Dec	Jun - Dec Oct - N.Apr N Feb2 - N.Aug	14	80	
f	Invitation fellowship program for domestic researcher	Y	R	N	N	N	Apr Aug Dec	Jun - Dec Oct - N.Apr N Feb2 - N.Aug	7	15	
g	Original proposal for Career-up program A & B	Y	R	D	R	Y	Apr (Aug)	(Jan)Apr-N.Mar (Jun - N.Mar)	5	150	Category A
	program / 1 & D						(Dec)	(Oct - N.Mar)	6	50	Category B

- Mark "N" in the column of "Date of Practice" means month in next year.
- Marks in "Applicant Eligibility" are R: Recommended, Y: Yes, many proposal were adopted, D: Yes, but it is difficult for adaptation, as the first to do is obtain your Doctor's degree), N: No
- Category of "Applicant Eligibility" will be determined at timing of practice (e.g., students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade of Master's course can apply program (c) and (d) after his/her entering Doctor's course. Doctor's course students (who do not exceed regulation term of the course, i.e., 3 years) were adopted program (d) under the condition that they would obtain the doctor's degree before their practice.
- (g) will be additionally recruited as needed.