

Job Openings for Tenure-Track Faculty Positions

KDI (Korea Development Institute) School of Public Policy and Management invites applications for full-time, tenure-track faculty positions at all levels in the field specified below. KDI was ranked 1st in Asia and 5th among non-U.S. think tanks in the 2020 Global Think Tank Index and the School has a vibrant and diverse academic community with some 140 countries represented among our student body and alumni. KDI School is the only international policy school with NASPAA recognition in Korea and the first in East Asia.

KDI School seeks applications for a position in the following areas:

1. Environmental Policy
2. Social and Welfare Policy
3. Political Economy of Development
4. Development Economics
5. Public Administration and Governance
6. Open Field: International Development, Applied Economics, Public Policy, Public Management Related

As a graduate-level international policy school, we offer master's and Ph.D. programs focusing on public policy, development policy, and public management. The normal class teaching load is four courses per year spread out over three trimesters and courses are taught in English. The School provides internationally competitive compensation, faculty housing options (when available), child education benefits (where applicable), moving expense support, generous research funding opportunities, and conference travel support.

KDI School is one of the leading academic and research institutions in Korea and Asia, offering a unique educational experience that prepares the next generation of leaders in today's rapidly changing and globalizing world. The KDI School campus offers unparalleled access to South Korea's policy and research leaders, given its location in the city of Sejong, the administrative capital of South Korea, and home to the National Research Complex that incorporates sixteen leading national policy research institutes. Geographically situated at the center of South Korea, Sejong is connected to Seoul via a high-speed train system with about an hour of travel time, and to all of the other major cities with a travel time of less than two hours.

As a school dedicated to mentoring a diverse student body, many of whom come from developing countries, we especially encourage applications from candidates who appreciate diversity and inclusion in their teaching and research. KDI School is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, or any other characteristics protected by law.

Field Specific Descriptions

1. Environmental Policy

We seek applications from scholars who conduct research in topics including sustainable development, climate change, environmental degradation, sustainable energy policy or transitions, or global environmental governance. Relevant fields might include environmental economics, applied economics, public policy and political science.

2. Social and Welfare Policy

We seek applications from scholars who conduct research in topics including social policy, welfare policy, fiscal policy, and public finance.

3. Political Economy of Development

We seek applications from scholars who conduct research in topics related to the political economy of development regardless of academic disciplines. Substantive expertise in a developing country/region and/or international organizations and institutions, field experience, training in causal inference including experimental methods, or background in working with non-traditional data using computational social science skills are preferred but not required.

4. Development Economics

We seek applications from scholars who conduct research in topics related to development economics. Substantive expertise in a developing country/region, international development cooperation, field experience, and training in causal inference including experimental methods and impact evaluation are preferred but not required.

5. Public Administration and Governance

We seek applications from scholars who conduct research in topics including, but not limited to, public organizations, public management, local government, data-driven government, policy design and evaluation.

6. Open Field: International Development, Applied Economics, Public Policy, Public Management Related

We seek applications from scholars to our open field search, although we are especially interested in candidates with expertise in international development, applied microeconomics, public policy, or public management.

Number of Openings: Six or less, depending on the number of qualified candidates

Qualifications

Successful candidates should have strong training in applied empirical methodology, substantive interests in policy-relevant research, and a teaching portfolio that can suit the needs of an international public policy school with a diverse student body.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. or should be expecting to receive one by August 31, 2022 in one of the above-mentioned academic fields.

Application Deadline

All application materials, including three letters of recommendation, must reach us no later than November 30, 2021 (Eastern Standard Time, U.S. by Nov 30, 2021 at 11:59 PM).

Application Instructions

To submit application materials electronically, please visit: <http://apply.interfolio.com/96842>

A complete application will include the following:

1. Curriculum vitae
2. Cover letter (Please specify the field for which you are applying; multiple applications to more than one field is not allowed)
3. Research Papers (one or two recent working papers or publications)
4. Three letters of recommendation should be sent directly to the interfolio by the referees

Contact Information

For questions regarding the application process, please send an email to recruit@kdis.ac.kr