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At the Research Center for Pan Pacific Civilizations, we are currently participating in the fourth phase of R-GIRO, conducting research projects aimed at enhancing resilience against disasters and food crises in the Pan Pacific region, in collaboration with researchers from a wide range of disciplines including paleoclimatology, archaeology, environmental archaeology, geography, history, cultural anthropology, resource geopolitics, international politics, business administration (management engineering), and information engineering. For the fiscal year 2026, we are broadly soliciting papers (in Japanese and English) from researchers and graduate students in the aforementioned fields on diverse topics related to disasters, food crises, and related themes as follows.

For titles and keywords of papers and research notes published in Issues 1-8, please visit our center's website. For those available in the university repository, links are provided on the same page.
https://www.ritsumei.ac.jp/research/rcppc/issues/

For information on the 4th R-GIRO Research Center Formation Project, “Interdisciplinary Research Hub for Resilience Engineering: Thinking Disaster and Food Crisis from History of Humanity,” please refer to the center website below.
https://www.ritsumei.ac.jp/research/rcppc/project4_01/

1. Qualification requirements

(1) Ritsumeikan University faculty (including full-time, fixed-term, assistant professors, lecturers, part-time lecturers, specialized researchers, researchers, and part-time lecturers).

(2) Visiting Collaborative Researcher, Research Center for Pan Pacific

Civilizations.

(3) Ritsumeikan University graduate student (as a general rule, recommendation from a supervisor is required).

(4) Outside researchers related to this theme (please contact the editorial committee below).

2. Manuscript types

(1) Research paper: An original, unpublished paper that has been peer-reviewed.

(2) Research report: An original, unpublished paper that has not been peer-reviewed.

(3) Research notes: Interim reports or short reports on research/surveys.

(4) Book reviews: Introduction and criticism of domestic and foreign books.

(5) Materials and communications: Activity records of lectures, symposiums, study groups, etc.

3. Publication requirements

Regardless of eligibility criteria (1) to (5), the decision to accept or reject a research paper will be made by the editorial committee after a review. Additionally, research reports, research notes, book reviews, and communications and documents will not, in principle, undergo peer review; however, the editorial committee may request revisions concerning the format and style of the paper.

4. Application deadline

Please apply using the attached submission form by Monday, June 1, 2026.

5. Manuscript deadline

(1) In the case of peer review: Tuesday, July 30 2026. Please be sure to submit the attached copyright transfer agreement as well.

(2) In the case of no peer review: Wednesday, September 30, 2026. Please be sure to submit the attached copyright transfer agreement as well.

6. Publishing schedule

Scheduled for the end of February 2026

7. Manuscript amount

(1) Research paper: In Japanese, 16,000 to 24,000 characters including main text and notes (not including figures, tables, and photographs). For English, 5,000 to 7,000 words.

(2) Research report: In Japanese, 16,000 to 24,000 characters including main text and notes (not including figures, tables, and photographs). For English, 5,000 to 7,000 words.

(3) Research notes: For Japanese texts, 8,000 to 16,000 characters including main text and notes (not including figures, tables, and photos). 3,000 to 5,000 words in English.

(4) Book review: Approximately 4,000 characters in Japanese. Approximately 1,500 words in English.

(5) Materials and communications: Approximately 4,000 characters in Japanese. Approximately 1,500 words in English.

8. Other

(1) Please write according to the writing guidelines and use the prescribed manuscript format.

(2) For research papers, research reports, and research notes, in addition to the main text, please include an abstract of about 500 characters and keywords (up to 5 words) in Japanese, as well as a title, an abstract of 200–300 words, and keywords in English.

(3) For diagrams, tables, and photos in research papers, research reports, and research notes, please keep them to about 5 pages in length based on the final dimensions after printing. Diagrams, tables, and photos are not included in the word count.

(4) The copyright of published research papers and similar works will belong to the Ritsumeikan Trust. The manuscripts will be converted to PDF and

published on the Ritsumeikan Institutional Repository.

(5) Manuscripts should be submitted via email as data files (MS Word) to the address below. However, the copyright transfer agreement should be mailed or delivered in person.

(6) Please be advised that if the submission of a manuscript is significantly delayed, it may be published in the next issue.

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