

VIII Labor, Taxes and Sending Money Overseas

VIII-1 Looking for Work

1. For Job-hunting

“Hello Work” (Public Employment Security Offices, or “Shokugyo Anteisho” also referred to as “Shoku-an”)

Public Employment Security Offices (“Hello Work”) in Japan are part of a public system that offers job consultation and introduces work among many of the services offered free of charge. If a foreign national has permission to work (work visa, spouse visa with work permission, permanent resident status, etc.) in Japan, they can also take advantage of services at these offices.

At the Osaka Employment Service Center for Foreigners (in Umeda) and the Employment Service Corner for Foreigners (in Sakai) interpreting services are available. (Portuguese, Spanish and Chinese and *English languages) (Appendix IX—4)

URL <http://jsite.mhlw.go.jp/osaka-foreigner/>

* An English interpreter is only available at the Osaka Employment Service Center for Foreigners

Recruitment Magazines and others

In addition, classified advertisements appear in newspapers, recruitment magazines and other places. There are similar notices in other sources such as newspapers, magazines and websites published in foreign languages.

2. International Students Searching for Work After Graduation

An international student who wishes to seek employment in Japan after graduating must change their student status to a status that enables them to work in Japan. The Osaka Employment Service Center for Foreigners offers job and status consultations, job-hunting guidance and advice on other related matters.

Osaka Employment Service Center for Foreigners (Appendix IX—4)

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3. Searching for Specialist or Technical Work

When a foreign national with a status of residence such as “Engineer/Specialist in Humanities/International Services”, “Skilled Labor”, or “Technical Intern Training” is searching for specialist or technical work, they can use The Osaka Employment Service Center for Foreigners mentioned above.