Limited-Term Instructor/Assistant Professor (dependent upon degree)
Search #30050
College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences/Department of Writing and Linguistics

The Department invites nominations and applications for multiple Regular, Limited-Term faculty positions (requiring at least a master’s degree).

Georgia Southern University, classified as a doctoral/research institution by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, is a member of the University System of Georgia. As the largest and most comprehensive research institution in southeast Georgia, the University is a residential campus of more than 20,500 students representing 48 states and 89 nations.

Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Georgia Southern offers a comprehensive array of baccalaureate degrees and selected master’s and doctoral programs through eight colleges: Business Administration, Education, Engineering and Information Technology, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Public Health, Science and Mathematics, and Graduate Studies. With an emphasis on academic distinction, excellent teaching, research, and student success, Georgia Southern offers both undergraduate and graduate students an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery, and personal growth.

Founded in 1906, Georgia Southern lays claim to being the most beautiful campus in the state. Comprising more than 900 acres, the University grounds are an arboretum-like treasure featuring gently rolling lawns, scenic ponds, and soaring pines. Located in Statesboro, a safe Main Street community of approximately 30,000 residents not far from Savannah and Hilton Head Island, Georgia Southern provides the benefits of a major university with the feeling of a smaller college.

Within this setting, the Department of Writing and Linguistics is a unique department combining theory and practice in the study of written text, discourse, and language. Its mission contributes to the cultural, technological, and social lives of its students and the communities in which they live by providing a unique, interdisciplinary program that combines theoretical knowledge of language usage and structure with practical writing skills in multiple genres.

Position Description. Reporting to the Coordinator of First-Year Writing and the Department Chair, the limited-term positions require excellent teaching and ongoing professional development in the area of writing as an integral vehicle for significant learning across the curriculum. All limited-term positions are non-tenure track, academic year (10 month) appointments, teaching five sections of first-year writing each semester. Appointments are for one year only, although there is the possibility of reappointment should funding permit and based upon satisfactory performance. (All reappointments are made on a one-year basis). The salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:
• Earned master’s degree in Composition and Rhetoric, English, or closely-related field suitable to the Department of Writing and Linguistics (for the rank of Regular, Limited-Term Instructor)
- Earned terminal degree (doctorate or MFA) in Composition and Rhetoric, English, Creative Writing, Linguistics, or closely-related field suitable to the Department of Writing and Linguistics (for the rank of Regular, Limited-Term Assistant Professor)
- Experience with technologies common to the field of composition and rhetoric
- Evidence of engaged student learning, arising from pedagogical practice informed by the scholarship of composition and rhetoric/writing studies
- Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution

Preferred but not Required Qualifications:
- One year (or more) full-time college teaching experience in first-year writing and/or
- Work in a writing center and/or
- National Writing Project experience and/or
- Graduate-level work in composition, rhetoric, linguistics, writing center theory, or literacy theory

Screening of applications begins June 25, and continues until the positions are filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2015. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; sample draft(s) from a first-year writing class that include(s) teacher feedback made by the candidate; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of at least three professional references. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications and applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:
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More information about the institution is available through http://www.georgiasouthern.edu or http://class.georgiasouthern.edu/writing/faculty/employment-opportunities/ Georgia Southern University seeks to recruit individuals who are committed to working in diverse academic and professional communities and who are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional service within the University and beyond. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA to participate in the search process should contact the Associate Provost.