Lecturer in Chinese—Search #67688  
College of Arts and Humanities  
Department of Foreign Languages

The Department of Foreign Languages in the College of Arts and Humanities invites applications and nominations for the position of Lecturer in Chinese. The position will be located on the Statesboro campus.

Georgia Southern University is the state’s largest and most comprehensive center of higher education south of Atlanta. With 141 degree programs at the associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern is designated a Carnegie Doctoral/Research university and serves more than 27,000 students on three vibrant campuses—the Armstrong campus in Savannah, the Statesboro campus, and the Liberty campus in Hinesville. Georgia Southern offers an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery, and personal growth. Nationally accredited academic programs prepare diverse scholars for leadership and service as working citizens.

Since 1906, the University’s hallmark has been a culture of engagement that bridges theory with practice, extends the learning environment beyond the classroom, and promotes student growth and life success. Central to the University’s mission is the faculty’s dedication to excellence in teaching and the development of a fertile learning environment exemplified by a free exchange of ideas, high academic expectations, and individual responsibility for academic achievement. Faculty, staff, and students embrace core values expressed through integrity, civility, kindness, collaboration, and a commitment to lifelong learning, wellness, and social responsibility.

Within this setting, the Department of Foreign Languages strives to have the premier undergraduate and master’s-level foreign language programs in the region and attempts to lead the region in promoting cultural and linguistic proficiency in major world languages. The Department of Foreign Languages is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and service and seeks to prepare students to function at high levels of cultural and linguistic proficiency in today’s global environment. The successful candidate of this search will contribute to the Department’s mission and goals by participating in teaching and teaching-related activities, by participating in service, by participating in professional development, and by contributing to the continual advancement of the Department’s goals and the execution of its mission.

Position Description. Foreign Language Lecturers report to the Department Chair. The position of Lecturer requires teaching and service responsibilities in Chinese; scholarly activities are welcomed but not required. Lecturers will normally teach twelve to fifteen credit hours per semester and hold regular office hours; and they will participate in departmental, college, and university service. Collegiality is essential. The position is a 9-month, non-tenure-track appointment, and the salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:

- Earned master’s or doctorate degree in a relevant field by August 1, 2019, and a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in coursework related to Chinese or language teaching.
Native or near-native proficiency in Mandarin Chinese and in English
A minimum of four months residing in a Mandarin-speaking environment outside the USA
Willingness to work collegially in a multi-language department

Preferred Qualifications:
Native or near-native proficiency in a language other than Chinese or English and a willingness to teach introductory courses in that language
Experience with proficiency-oriented instruction and with the ACTFL Proficiency Standards

Screening of applications begins March 25, 2019, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2019. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of at least three professional references; and a five- to ten-minute video in which the candidate does the following: 1 (in Chinese) explain why it is important for Americans to learn Chinese language and culture; 2 (in English) describe the pros and cons of having Chinese as part of a multi-language department; the video should be loaded onto a website/YouTube/etc. and only the link should be sent in the application materials. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete 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 https://cah.georgiasouthern.edu/foreign-languages/. 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 Vice Provost.