



Lecturers for Summer Language Institute

Summer Session at the University of Chicago will host over 1,000 graduate, undergraduate and academically talented high school students on campus in Summer 2019. Summer Session is now accepting applications for Lecturers to teach in the Summer Language Institute.

Lecturers have full responsibility for teaching one or more sections of an established language course, in collaboration with the home department and Summer Session, which are offered based on departmental and student needs. Language courses may have multiple instructors and/or assistant instructors, so candidates must be prepared to coordinate with their co-instructors and/or assistant instructors. Modern language instructors will also be required to give a 4-skills proficiency exam at the end of the course.

Introductory and intermediate language courses are taught in an intensive, condensed format; these 300-unit courses meet 4 or 5 days each week for 6, 7, or 8 weeks. Available positions are for Introductory Chinese (7/31-8/16); Introductory Ancient Greek (6/24-7/19 or 7/22-8/16); Introductory Latin (7/22-8/16); Intermediate Latin (7/15-8/2); Introductory Korean (7/22-8/16); Introductory French (6/24-7/19 & 7/22 -8/16).

Please see summerlanguages.uchicago.edu for the full descriptions of the program and courses.

Responsibilities:

- Adapting a syllabus that follows the established curriculum for that language, and that clearly states the objectives of the course, the requirements that students will be expected to fulfill, and the basis on which they will be graded
- Preparing all course materials (e.g., ordering books, creating the Canvas site) in advance of the beginning of the quarter
- Daily coordination with Assistant Instructor(s) and/or Course Assistant(s) for delivery of additional instruction and assignments, providing guidance on lesson planning and activities
- Adhering to and announcing the University's policies on grading, attendance, class participation, and academic misconduct
- Preparing for and meeting all scheduled class sessions
- Maintaining regular office hours (a minimum of two hours per week)
- Grading and commenting on papers and examinations in a timely manner and submitting final quarter grades by the Registrar's published deadline
- Participating in any meetings organized by the Summer Session Office
- Overseeing placement testing, as necessary
- Supporting the administration of a 4-skill proficiency exam at the end of the course, including, where necessary, training in the administration and grading of the exam components
- Bringing to the attention of Summer Session staff any matters related to student attendance, progress, or other areas of concern

Required skills and abilities:

- Documented excellence in second-language pedagogy and oral communication
- Knowledge of different approaches to language pedagogy, including communicative and content-based instruction



- Willingness to learn and adhere to Summer Language Institute and UChicago policies

Experience and education:

- Bachelor's degree required
- Master's degree or Ph.D. in language teaching, language area, or related field strongly preferred
- Prior language-instruction experience in the target language at the university or four-year college level required
- Native or near-native ability in the target language required
- Previous experience in an intensive summer program preferred
- Knowledge of ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines and previous experience with proficiency-oriented language instruction preferred
- Graduate student candidates must be a current UChicago PhD student or recent alumna/e (as of July 1, 2019)
- UChicago graduate student candidates must have prior teaching experience, such as serving as a Teaching Assistant; experience teaching as a lead instructor is preferred, but not required. Please consult your department or committee chair or director of undergraduate studies about the suitability of your teaching as it relates to your academic plan.

We seek experienced and diverse applicants with a documented record of successful language instruction.

Required Applicant Documents:

- Letter of application
- Curriculum Vitae
- Teaching evaluations
- Reference contact information for current or previous language teaching supervisor and/or department chair

Application deadline: Monday, April 8, 2019.

For those interested in the lecturer positions, please submit an application through the UChicago Academic Career Opportunities site, posting 04090. The link to the specific job posting is: https://academiccareers.uchicago.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/position/JobDetails_css.jsp?postingId=186950

For further information, please email Sarah Lopez, Assistant Director of Summer Session Academic Programs, at slopez@uchicago.edu.