

Assistant Professor - Language Revitalization - Linguistics
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Job Title	Assistant Professor - Language Revitalization - Linguistics
Department	Linguistics
Institution	University of California Berkeley Berkeley, California
Date Posted	Aug. 21, 2025
Application Deadline	10/31/2025
Position Start Date	Available immediately
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Position overview

Position title: Assistant Professor

Salary range: The current salary range for this position is \$80,800-\$128,700 (9-month academic year salary). However, off-scale salary and other components of pay, which would yield compensation that is higher than this range, are offered to meet competitive conditions.

Anticipated start:

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Application Window

Open date: August 19, 2025

Next review date: Friday, Oct 31, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Friday, Oct 31, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date.

Position description

The Department of Linguistics at the University of California, Berkeley, has been authorized to make an appointment in Language Revitalization. The position will be filled at the rank of assistant professor (tenure-track). Duties will include teaching (up to three courses per year); undergraduate and graduate advising and supervision of student research; development of a successful and original research program; and service contributions. Candidates with research specialization in language revitalization and a broad intellectual engagement in linguistics and related fields are encouraged to apply.

Integral to the work of many linguistics students and faculty at UC Berkeley is a program of engagement with minoritized and/or Indigenous language communities in California, the US, or elsewhere in the world, and a commitment to the view that research excellence is compatible with collaborations that serve those communities' goals. The department has a long history of engagement with language revitalization, including, for example, the [Breath of Life workshops](#) hosted at Berkeley since the 1990s, the [Designated Emphasis in Indigenous Language Revitalization](#), and the outreach work of the [California Language Archive](#).

The department seeks applicants with a research focus in community-engaged language revitalization (anywhere in the world), as well as those with additional research interests or skills that will contribute to the intellectual life of a broad linguistics community (including but not limited to language documentation, description, and analysis; sociolinguistics; anthropological linguistics; language acquisition; language education; areal and language-family expertise). The successful candidate will be expected to teach courses in general linguistics and language revitalization at both the graduate and undergraduate levels, and to provide research mentoring, as well as to participate in service to the department, university, and field.

We welcome applications from those who have had non-traditional career paths, have achieved

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excellence in careers outside academia, or have taken time off for family reasons. The department is committed to addressing the family needs of faculty, including dual career couples and single parents. For information about potential relocation to Berkeley, or the career needs of accompanying partners and spouses, please visit <http://ofew.berkeley.edu/new-faculty>.

Department: <https://lx.berkeley.edu>

Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

PhD (or equivalent international degree), or enrolled in PhD or equivalent international degree-granting program at the time of application.

Preferred qualifications

PhD or equivalent international degree by the start date.

Applicants will be evaluated based on all of the following criteria: (1) accomplishments or potential in community-engaged language revitalization; (2) additional research accomplishments or potential; (3) teaching and mentoring accomplishments or potential; (4) demonstrated breadth and ability to make connections outside their area of specialization across intellectually diverse communities of faculty and students; and (5) track record or potential in service, including specific efforts to remove barriers, support the success of students and other academics, increase the participation of those from groups underrepresented in higher education, and create inclusive climates. Applicants should ensure that all five criteria are addressed in their application materials.

Application Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Statement of Research - Please discuss research accomplishments and proposed plans. This can include, for example, your research program, community-engaged research, publications, awards, presentations, inclusive research practices that promote the excellence of your research, research outcomes that benefit scholarly and public communities, and areas for future research.
- Statement of Teaching and Mentoring - Please discuss prior teaching experience, teaching approach, and future teaching interests. This can include, for example, specific efforts and

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accomplishments, and future plans to support the success of all students through inclusive curriculum, classroom environment, and pedagogy. Please also discuss your mentoring experiences and approach. This can include, for example, past efforts and future plans to support the success of all students, and to foster an inclusive research environment that removes barriers and promotes equitable access and advancement of the research program.

- Statement of Service - 1 page maximum. Please discuss specific prior and proposed academic, professional and/or public service activities. This can include, for example, participating in professional or scientific associations, serving on committees that advance department, campus or discipline goals, and conducting outreach activities that can remove barriers, create inclusive climates, and increase participation of academics in your field.
- Selected Recent or Current Work - A publication or draft
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- Authorization to Release Information Form - A reference check will be completed only if you are selected as the candidate to whom the hiring unit would like to extend a formal offer. Download, complete, sign, and upload the [Authorization to Release Information form](#).

Reference requirements

- 3-5 required (contact information only)

Names of 3 references whom we might contact if the candidate remains under consideration after the initial round of review

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- [APM - 035: Affirmative Action and Nondiscrimination in Employment](#)

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