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Department African/African Amer Studies
Institution University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

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Application Deadline Open until filled
Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Lecturer/Instructor

Academic Field(s) Foreign Languages/Literatures
African American Studies

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Position Overview

The Department of African & African-American Studies at the University of Kansas invites qualified

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scholars and professionals to submit online applications for part-time and/or full-time, lecturer positions for language courses (Amharic, Arabic, Haitian, Kiswahili, and Yoruba) and non-language courses (Black Popular Music, Legal Issues and the African American, African History and African American History). Positions vary and are dependent upon the need for instructors for courses being offered each semester during the academic year and during the two intensive summer sessions in June and July. These are non-tenure-track positions with the primary role as instructional.

Successful candidates will join a thriving Department of African and African-American Studies (AAAS) with 13 full-time faculty members and a full-time Language Coordinator. AAAS, in partnership with the Kansas African Studies Center (KASC), hosts an annual Summer African Language Institute with several language offerings at the elementary and intermediate levels. KASC is one of ten federally-funded Title VI National Resource Centers for African Studies with over 30 core faculty members and an additional 70 affiliated faculty and staff across the Lawrence campus.

The Department and KASC actively encourage applications from members of groups underrepresented in higher education who can contribute to the climate of diversity at KU. The Office of Diversity and Equity provides various resources to support faculty and staff in their teaching and professional development. For more information, see <http://diversity.ku.edu>.

Application materials will be reviewed by the Department for consideration of the development of online or hybrid courses as consistent with departmental instructional needs. Successful candidates must have appropriate authorization to work in the U.S. before employment begins.

The University of Kansas is a Carnegie doctoral/research-extensive university with a \$1.4 billion endowment and a faculty of 2,600. Current enrollment is 28,500 (19,000 undergraduate), with students drawn from 110 nations and all 50 states, 20.6% of KU students are members of minority groups. The 1,000-acre main campus is in Lawrence, a community of 95,000 in hilly northeast Kansas that lies about 35 miles west of Kansas City. Lawrence has a lively downtown and a thriving arts and music scene, and its local government has enacted ordinances supporting equality for all members of its population. Lawrence also offers numerous sports and recreational opportunities, local shops, and a wide range of good restaurants.

Job Description

100% - Lecturer

* For language instruction: teach one to four 3-hour or 5-hour language course(s) as assigned by the Chair of the Department.

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- * For non-language instruction: teach one to four 3-hour course(s) as assigned by the Chair of the Department.
- * Prepare for and attend all class meetings. In case of absence, the lecturer must make arrangements in consultation with the Chair of the Department for a substitute to teach the class so that classes are not cancelled.
- * Provide instruction throughout the semester. Develop assignments, administer exams, evaluate student work, provide feedback to students, and assign grades.
- * Hold regular office hours on a weekly basis.
- * Lecturers may assume limited advising duties and attend in-service professional development meetings designed to improve teaching, as determined by the Chair of the Department.
- * Adhere to Departmental, College, and University policies.
- * Promote and enhance the visibility of African and Diasporic languages on the KU campus.

100% Online Lecturer:

- * Teach a specified number of either online undergraduate or graduate courses per semester.
- * Prepare for and attend all online class meetings. Provide timely feedback and instructor/student interaction in synchronous or asynchronous online course format with occasions for online office hours and/or Q&A sessions. Regular weekly interaction is expected in online courses.
- * Provide instruction for course(s). If class meetings are asynchronous, instructional expectations match those of the face-to-face experience.
- * Administer assignments, tests, evaluate student work, provide timely feedback to students, and assign grades.
- * Be available for students involved in classes taught. "Office hours" may include a set time where students can contact the instructor but must also include expectations for timely responses to student inquiries outside of a set contact time.
- * Adhere to departmental, college and university policies.

Required Qualifications

Evaluation of the following requirements will be made through (1) descriptions of work experience and educational experiences in letter of application, (2) record of accomplishments and productivity addressed in C.V., and (3) information provided from professional references.

- * For language instruction: demonstrated near native or native language ability and knowledge of the culture where the respective language is spoken.
- * For undergraduate courses: A Master's degree in the respective language(s) or a Bachelor's degree and three or more years of distinguished teaching experience at the post-secondary level.

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- * For graduate courses: A Ph.D. in the respective language(s) or a Master's degree and two years of distinguished teaching experience at the post-secondary level or a Bachelor's degree in the respective language(s) and three years of distinguished teaching experience at the post-secondary level.
- * For non-language instruction: demonstration of knowledge of the African or African-American Studies course of interest; evidence of ability to teach the culture-specific course; Master's degree in relevant area.

Preferred Qualifications

- * For language instruction: five or more years of teaching experience in the languages at the post-secondary level.
- * For non-language instruction: a master's or J.D. or doctorate in a relevant field; teaching experience at the university/college level or practical field experience; evidence of prior success in teaching or on the field; and native or near-native knowledge of area culture.
- * For language and non-language instruction: evidence of prior success in teaching at the post-secondary level (e.g., course evaluations or supervisor ratings).
- * For language and non-language instruction: prior experience with online instructional technologies.

Contact Information to Applicants

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Additional Candidate Instruction

A complete application will include a letter of application, a vitae detailing specific subject areas the applicant is qualified to teach and/or develop, and the names and contact information for three professional references.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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