

Faculty Employment Opportunity

Job no: #511464

Work type: Instructional Faculty – Temporary Faculty

Location: Sonoma

Categories: Temporary, Part Time, Instructional Faculty – Temporary Faculty,
Unit 3 CFA – California Faculty Association

Department of Hutchins School of Liberal Studies
Temporary Faculty Position (Lecturer)

Addition to the Pool Spring 2022

Our Commitment

Guided by our core values, Sonoma State University offers an exceptional educational experience that fosters intellectual, cognitive, social, and personal growth. As the only member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges in California, we are uniquely positioned to foster ethical exploration, civic engagement, social responsibility, and global awareness combined with a solid foundation in an academic discipline. We have a strong commitment to graduating students who have the ability to think critically and communicate effectively in an ever-changing world. The unique campus culture fosters our Seawolf Commitment to integrity, respect, excellence, and responsibility and is integrated into all campus life. We nurture inclusive excellence through a celebration of the rich diversity of our local communities and our interconnected global economy. Members of the University community are expected to work effectively with faculty, staff, and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds. We are fully committed to the rights of students, staff and faculty with disabilities in accordance with applicable state and federal laws. SSU is especially interested in candidates who make contributions to equity and inclusion in the pursuit of excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service.

The University

Sonoma State University's beautiful 274-acre campus is located in Sonoma County wine country, an hour north of San Francisco. The campus offers the ideal setting for teaching and learning and access to a community of rich cultural, environmental, and recreational opportunities. Founded in 1960, Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University System. As members of the largest public

higher educational system in the nation, we provide accessible, high-quality education to more than 9,000 students. Sonoma State University is proud to be a Hispanic Serving Institution committed to achieving the goals of equal opportunity and endeavors to employ faculty and staff reflecting the ethnic and cultural diversity of the region and state.

The Department

The Hutchins School of Liberal Studies is an interdisciplinary school within Arts & Humanities at Sonoma State University. A nationally recognized leader among Interdisciplinary Studies programs, the Hutchins School is committed to innovative, student-centered pedagogy; multi-disciplinary inquiry; and the development of critical thinking, communication, and leadership skills that will help students navigate the multicultural and multiracial American landscape. In small seminar classes, students and faculty engage topics from a variety of perspectives. Various tracks within the undergraduate major prepare students for careers and postgraduate study in a wide range of fields, including the pursuit of elementary teaching credentials, such as Multiple Subject or Education Specialist, which prepares students to serve California's diverse student population.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to see the department's web page at:
<http://web.sonoma.edu/hutchins/>

Duties of the Position

Candidates with expertise in more than one academic field and experience in interdisciplinary, seminar-based pedagogy (as well as large lecture formats) are sought for a pool of applicants to fill temporary, part-time positions which may become available. The department is particularly interested in candidates with an educational background and experience in psychology, education, child development, and/or sociology, or the physical and social sciences, to teach the following courses:

- 1) Teacher track service courses (LIBS 304, 'We Hold These Truths,' LIBS 312, 'Schools in American Society,' LIBS 327, 'Literacy, Language, and Pedagogy,' LIBS 330, 'The Child in Question,' and LIBS 392, 'Performing Arts for Children').
- 2) Courses in the physical and social sciences (LIBS 320B core seminars). Included in this core area are courses that deal with science and technology and their relationship to individuals in society. Students build on their understanding of the sciences and social sciences and come to grips with crucial issues posed by our culture's applications of science and technology. Sample LIBS 320B courses which have been taught in this area include: 'Machine As Metaphor,' 'The Biased Brain,' 'Climate Change,' 'Feminism in Science,' 'Mathematics and Human Imagination.'

Please consult the Hutchins' department website for descriptions of the teacher track programs and courses. Applicants should list any of the above service courses they are interested in teaching in their cover letter, and in the case of the Core B offerings, any course of their own creation which would fit the area of study.

Professional Qualifications

To be recommended for appointment, the candidate must have:

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- M.A. or M.S. degree(s) or above in all fields including arts, humanities, social sciences, sciences, etc. Applied degrees are also considered
- A minimum of one year's teaching experience
- Successful applicants must possess pedagogical abilities appropriate to the course emphases noted above. Instructors must have an interdisciplinary educational background and/or teaching experience, be skilled at leading seminar discussions, working with student writing, and have the ability to work with undergraduates with varying levels of academic proficiency

Rank and Salary

Full-time is 15-unit workload per semester. Actual salary is dependent upon number of units assigned, educational preparation, and availability of funds subject to any CSU system faculty contract salary increases.

- Selection as a candidate in the applicant pool, does not guarantee employment. Temporary Faculty appointments are made on a part-time, temporary basis and contingent upon department needs and funding.
- Temporary Faculty appointments are made on a semester-by-semester basis.
- Relocation expenses will not be provided for temporary faculty appointments.
- Expenses incurred to attend an interview for temporary faculty positions are not reimbursed by the University.

How to Apply

To apply for this position, go to jobs.sonoma.edu and click on the Staff & Faculty Career Opportunities link. Find and select the faculty position you are applying for to view the description and select Apply Now. If you have not previously applied, you will be prompted to create an account. You can use this account to apply to multiple positions. Once you have submitted the application, a confirmation email will be automatically sent to you. Please do not send materials to facultysearch@sonoma.edu. If you encounter difficulties during the application process, please email facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

Please submit:

Required

- Application letter including an indication of which courses/topics you are qualified to teach, as well as a commitment to teaching and a diversity statement
- Curriculum vitae

Official transcripts are required at the time of hire.

Application procedures for temporary faculty already teaching in the department:

- Temporary Faculty with three-year contracts do not need to reapply.

- Temporary Faculty who have taught for the department within the past two years only need to submit a Lecturer Qualified Course Form and updated CV to remain in the pool. The hiring committee will review the Personnel Action File and then determine whether an additional interview would be beneficial.

Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee's identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act. Sonoma State University does not facilitate the process of applying for an H1B Visa for temporary positions.

Application Deadline

The deadline to apply is March 31, 2022.

Questions concerning the *application process* may be directed to:
facultysearch@sonoma.edu

Questions concerning this *position* may be directed to:

Stephanie Dyer

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#511464 Please refer to this number on app correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

The ADA Coordinator is also available (hrlives@sonoma.edu) to assist individuals with disabilities in need of accommodation during the hiring process.

Other Information

The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.

This position is considered a "mandated reporter" under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

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