Faculty Employment Opportunity

Job no: #521841
Work type: Visiting Faculty
Location: Sonoma
Categories: Temporary, Full Time, Visiting Faculty, Unit 3 CFA – California Faculty Association

Department of Computer Science
(Visiting Faculty) Assistant Professor
Starting August 2023

Our Commitment

Guided by our core values of diversity, sustainability, community engagement, and adaptability, Sonoma State University offers an exceptional educational experience that fosters intellectual, social, and personal growth. Sonoma State University is a public liberal arts and sciences university. As the only member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges in the state of California, we are committed to preparing students for a life of active citizenship and public service. Sonoma State University has a vibrant campus life characterized by a lively co-curriculum that fosters broad based intellectual and artistic opportunities in which students are actively engaged. Faculty members provide mentorship and a deep and sustained student-teacher interaction, incorporate High Impact Practices, and explore a breadth of knowledge by fostering creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, experimentation, empathy, and communication. We strive to create a diverse, equity-minded, and inclusive campus environment. 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 Computer Science Department offers a Bachelor of Science degree with 270 majors, as well as a minor in computer science. The department faculty, five full-time tenured and one half
time, is diverse, and their collective areas of expertise span theoretical as well as applied areas of computer science.

Our Bachelor of Science in Computer Science program is rooted in the proud tradition of a liberal arts education and is based on the IEEE/ACM Computer Science Curricula. Teaching excellence and mentoring students are central to our mission. We are committed to expanding and diversifying participation for groups traditionally underrepresented in computer science, and we strongly encourage faculty candidates with similar goals and relevant experience to apply. We promote close collaboration of faculty and students that leads to research projects that are worthy of publication, as well as software system projects with research and industrial applications. Our students come to us with diverse educational backgrounds. After graduation, most students accept jobs at a wide variety of companies including Apple, Broadcom, FIS Mobile, Google, IBM, Disney, and Sonoma Technology, while others pursue graduate studies. Prospective applicants are encouraged to visit the department’s webpage at https://cs.sonoma.edu/.

Duties of the Position
The successful candidate will teach computer science courses across our Bachelor of Science curriculum, be responsible for teaching the equivalent of three courses (four units each) per semester, offer upper-division electives in his/her areas of expertise, and actively foster an undergraduate research program. In addition, a strong candidate will be able to engage students in directed study courses or capstone projects. Teaching excellence is an important cornerstone of this position. Those applying for this position are expected to teach some combination of lower-division and upper-division computer science courses, from among the courses currently offered by the Computer Science Department. Candidates are expected to support all aspects of their classes, e.g., to design course materials, develop homework and projects, devise and administer quizzes and exams, provide graded feedback to students, and hold office hours.

Professional Qualifications
Required:
- A M.S. or Ph.D. in Computer Science or a closely related field. ABD applicants will be considered, but the degree must be completed by August 2023.
- A commitment to teaching a diverse group of students at the undergraduate level.
- A commitment to working as part of a diverse team.

Preferred:
- A Ph.D. in Computer Science or a closely related field.
- Interest in teaching an undergraduate special topics course in some specialty area
- A demonstrated commitment to teaching and scholarship at the undergraduate level.

Rank and Salary
The rank is Assistant Professor. The salary for this position is: $85,000.

Required* Application Materials
Official transcripts will be required at the time of hire. 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 H-1B Visa for temporary positions. A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU.

Application Deadline
Applications received by January 3, 2023 will be given full consideration. The position will remain open until filled.

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:
Search Committee Chair: Dr. B. Ravikumar
Email: ravikuma@sonoma.edu

Questions concerning the application process may be directed to:
Faculty Affairs Department
Facultysearch@sonoma.edu

The ADA Coordinator is also available (hrleaves@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.

Visitors to Sonoma State University are required to do a Wellness Self-Screening. For more information on this, please see our COVID-19 Safety Protocols, under the heading Wellness Self-Screening.