

Job opening for full-time faculty member in the Academic Communicative English program

Content of the job information

Position

The University of Niigata Prefecture is looking to fill a full-time, tenured, English teaching position in the Faculty of International Studies and Regional Development. The responsibilities will include teaching 6 to 8 classes per week per term, as well as research and administrative duties equal to other faculty members.

Responsibilities

The courses to be taught include

- EAP courses in the Academic Communicative English (ACE) program
- Team-taught sheltered immersion bridge courses in the International Studies in Economics and Politics (iSEP) English-Medium Studies module
- Introductory level content courses in Applied Linguistics (taught in English). Possible course titles include Principles of Bilingual Education, Principles of Applied Linguistics, Second Language Acquisition, Introduction to Psycholinguistics, etc.)

Other responsibilities include working with ESL faculty members in developing the EAP program; collaborating with non-English teaching faculty members in team-teaching and coordinating the EMS modules; contributing to design and facilitation of study abroad options; and supporting the English teaching licensure program.

UNP Program Descriptions

The Academic Communicative English (ACE) program is a semi-intensive EAP program for the first and second year students. A large number of the classes in this program are taught using the Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) approach and aim to support students in developing an ability to use English as a learning tool.

The International Studies in Economics and Politics (iSEP) module is a two-stage English-medium instruction (EMI) program. The bridge courses taught in the 1st stage of the program aim to facilitate students in developing the abilities to move from EAP courses to full content courses taught in English. These bridge courses are designed and taught by a team consisting of a content specialist and a language-teaching specialist.

The Studies in Applied Linguistics (SAL) module introduces students to the fundamental principles of second language acquisition and language education. These classes are taught in English by language-teaching faculty. Many, but not all, of the students in these classes are in the English teaching licensure program.

Qualifications

We welcome applicants with the following qualifications.

The following are the minimum required qualifications.

- M.A. or above in TESOL/ESL, Applied Linguistics or a related field
- Extensive experience in education including at least 5 years of teaching English at a university in Japan
- Demonstrated familiarity and experience in EMI curriculum design or familiarity with CLIL approach to language teaching

- Significant experience in teaching EAP
- Native or near-native level English abilities
- Sufficient proficiency in Japanese to participate in administrative committee work
- Willingness to work in a coordinated curriculum

Candidates with some or all of the following will be strongly preferred.

- Experience in team-teaching or cross-discipline collaboration
- Evidence of active contribution to the field of ESL in Japan
- Demonstrated understanding of the Japanese educational system
- Demonstrated interpersonal and intercultural communication skills
- Experience in curriculum development and / or program management
- Experience in administrative and committee work in a university setting
- Experience working in or supporting an English teaching licensure program
- Experience planning and/or escorting study abroad groups

Treatment

Job title: Associate Professor/Lecturer (depending on qualifications and experience).

Conditions of appointment: This is a tenured position.

Annual salary: Based on the university pay scale (dependent on qualifications and experience).

Deadline for applications

Friday, June 23, 2017. (must be delivered in time)

Starting date

April 1, 2018

Application Method

Applicants are requested to send the documents listed below in an envelope marked "ACE Program Application". Please send materials by registered mail to

Office of the President
The University of Niigata Prefecture
471, Ebigase, Higashi-ku, Niigata City,
Niigata, Japan 950-8680

- 1) Cover Letter
- 2) CV in English (including a list of academic achievements such as publications, presentations, development of educational materials/projects/curriculum etc.)
- 3) 2 letters of reference (in Japanese or English)
- 4) Teaching statement (1 page description of your approach to teaching)
- 5) Copies of 2 publications

Note: Short-listed candidates will be asked to provide a Japanese CV using the university standard form and samples of classroom materials. Submitted materials will not be returned.

Selection process

Short listed candidates will be invited to an interview on campus in Niigata. Travel expenses for the interview cannot be reimbursed.

The interview will be scheduled in the middle of July, 2017.

For further information about this position, contact Howard Brown (brown@unii.ac.jp)