



GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
University System of Georgia
Lecturer Search #67344
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences
Department of Writing and Linguistics

The Department of Writing and Linguistics in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences invites nominations and applications for position of Lecturer in First-Year Writing. Georgia Southern University, classified as a Doctoral/Research University by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, is a member of the University System of Georgia. As the largest and most comprehensive research institution in southeast Georgia, the University is a residential campus of more than 20,500 students representing 50 states and 83 nations.

Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Georgia Southern offers a comprehensive array of baccalaureate degrees and selected master's and doctoral programs through eight colleges: Business Administration, Education, Engineering and Information Technology, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Public Health, Science and Mathematics, and Graduate Studies. With an emphasis on academic distinction, excellent teaching, research, and student success, Georgia Southern offers both undergraduate and graduate students an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery, and personal growth.

Founded in 1906, Georgia Southern lays claim to being the most beautiful campus in the state. Comprising more than 900 acres, the University grounds are an arboretum-like treasure featuring gently rolling lawns, scenic ponds, and soaring pines. Located in Statesboro, a safe Main Street community of approximately 30,000 residents not far from Savannah and Hilton Head Island, Georgia Southern provides the benefits of a major university with the feeling of a smaller college.

Within this setting, the Department of Writing and Linguistics combines theory and practice in the study of written text, discourse, and language. Students who major in Writing and Linguistics complete coursework in four areas: Professional and Technical Writing, Creative Writing, Linguistics, and Writing Studies. The Department also houses First-Year Writing. We participate actively in the profession by hosting a site of the National Writing Project, as well as significant national and regional professional conferences. Our mission calls us to contribute to the cultural, technological, and social lives of graduates and the communities in which they live by providing a unique, interdisciplinary program that combines theoretical knowledge of language usage and structure with practical writing strategies in multiple genres.

Position Description. Reporting to the Department Chair, the lecturer position is a non-tenure track academic appointment with a usual teaching load of eight courses per year; the salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. Successful candidates must show increasing levels of leadership in the program, as well as excellence in teaching. In the sixth year, candidates who demonstrate a consistently strong record of engaged teaching, professional development, plus service to the department, college, and/or profession will be eligible to apply for promotion to senior lecturer. Overall, as holders of annually-funded, renewable faculty positions, lecturers contribute to enhancing the stability, sustainability, and impact of the first-year writing program. Online and summer teaching are optional and available.

Required Qualifications:

- Earned master's degree in English, Composition and Rhetoric, Creative Writing, or closely-related field suited to the Department of Writing and Linguistics
- Minimum of one year of college teaching experience in first-year writing by the time of appointment (graduate assistant teaching experience is permissible)

- Experience with technologies common to the field of composition and rhetoric
- Evidence of engaged student learning, arising from pedagogical practice informed by the scholarship of the profession
- Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution

Preferred Qualifications:

- Graduate level work in composition, rhetoric, linguistics, writing center theory, or literacy theory
- Full-time teaching experience in First-Year Writing
- Experience and/or participation within the National Writing Project
- Experience or credentials to support teaching professional and technical writing

Screening of applications begins December 1, 2015, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2016. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; a statement of teaching philosophy highlighting innovative pedagogical practice, engagement strategies, and a vision for a transfer of student learning across domains; three letters of recommendation, plus the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of those individuals writing the three required letters of recommendation. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:

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