

UWP Lecturer Search 2020-2021

The UC Davis [University Writing Program](#) invites applications for full-time lecturers to teach advanced undergraduate courses in professional writing; we especially anticipate needs in business writing, science writing, engineering writing, technical writing, and writing in the health professions.

A PhD in Professional and Technical Communication, Rhetoric and Composition/Writing Studies, or closely related field is preferred. An MA, MS, or graduate specialization in Professional and Technical Communication or closely related field will also be considered. University-level experience in teaching advanced (upper-division) students in the disciplines or professions; expertise in business writing, medical writing, science writing, engineering communication, and/or technical communication; and industry and professional experience is desired. We are interested in candidates, as well, who have experience teaching hybrid and online courses and contributing to curriculum and faculty development projects. Ability to work successfully with a student population that is linguistically and culturally diverse is also very important.

Successful candidates will be familiar with contemporary composition theory and practice.

Teaching Context

The University Writing Program (UWP) is committed to teaching a linguistically and culturally diverse student body and to hiring instructors who reflect that diversity. This commitment is of particular importance as UC Davis moves toward becoming a Hispanic Serving Institution.

The UWP offers a [Professional Writing Minor](#) as well as an award-winning writing in the disciplines (WID) and writing in the professions (WIP) [course series](#) that fulfills an upper-division writing requirement at UC Davis. Lecturers in this position would teach courses in the series, such as Business Writing, Writing in the Health Professions, and Writing in the Biological Sciences. Lecturers may also have opportunities to develop new courses for the Professional Writing Minor and contribute to the [Writing Across the Curriculum Program](#).

Appointment Details

Nine-month appointment beginning in the 2020-2021 academic year. Full-time teaching load: seven courses over three quarters. Lecturers with 18 quarters of teaching in the program will be eligible to apply for the rank of Continuing Lecturer; the main criterion for Continuing Lecturer status is demonstrated excellence in teaching writing.

Application Process

Applicants should submit a cover letter, CV, names and contact information of three references, statement of contributions to diversity, and statement of teaching philosophy that addresses experience and evidence of effective teaching of professional writing. Optional: applicants may also submit a teaching portfolio that includes sample syllabi and course materials. All materials must be submitted through the online application form: <https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/JPF03453>

We will begin reviewing applications April 6, 2020 and hope to have made decisions by late April, but positions will remain open until filled. We will conduct interviews by telephone, Zoom, or, when possible, on campus.

About the University Writing Program at Davis

The successful candidate will join an independent writing program with an established emphasis on writing in the disciplines and professions, as well as a diverse student population. UC Davis has been recognized by *U.S. News and World Report* for its "stellar" program of writing in the disciplines. The University Writing Program publishes the journal *Writing on the Edge* and the undergraduate annual *Prized Writing*. We enjoy the support of Davis's renowned programs in the sciences, environmental studies, agriculture, and engineering, plus close ties with the arts, the humanities, and the School of Education. Located in Northern California's Central Valley, adjacent to Sacramento and within easy driving distance of the Bay Area and the Sierras, UC Davis offers a superb, diverse environment for teaching and research. Websites: www.ucdavis.edu and <http://writing.ucdavis.edu>.

UC Davis is an affirmative action/equal employment opportunity employer and is dedicated to recruiting a diverse faculty community. We welcome all qualified applicants to apply, including women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and veterans. UC Davis is a smoke and tobacco free campus effective January 1, 2014. Smoking, the use of smokeless tobacco products, and the use of unregulated nicotine products (e-cigarettes) will be strictly prohibited on any UC Davis owned or leased property, indoors and outdoors, including parking lots and residential space.