

Job Title: Research Assistant Professor**Department: Applied Linguistics--Literacy, Language & Technology Research Group****FTE: 1.0****Job Type: Fixed Term Faculty****Posted Date: 12/8/11**

The Literacy, Language & Technology Research Group is comprised of faculty, staff and graduate students from the Department of Applied Linguistics and other departments at Portland State University and collaborating colleagues in other institutions. The Research Group conducts a wide range of externally funded grant projects centered on the acquisition of literacy, digital literacy and second languages among adults, especially members of economically vulnerable and socially excluded populations. Work ranges over basic, applied and action research in diverse educational, workplace and community settings, often involving the development or use of state-of-the-art educational technologies and content.

The Research Assistant Professor will be a member of the growing research group. The research professor will be expected to participate initially in current grant projects, become familiar with technologies (www.learnerweb.org, www.labschool.pdx.edu) developed by the research group, and to develop proposals for new externally funded projects in which he or she will serve as a Principal Investigator (PI) or co-PI. Over time, the research professor is expected to assume increasing leadership responsibilities within the research group.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- PhD in applied linguistics or a related subfield of a social science or education
- 3-5 years experience beyond the PhD with a clear research agenda and record of publication and funding related to one or more of the research group's core areas: adult literacy, digital literacy, second language acquisition, educational technology, and adult/postsecondary education
- Familiarity with relevant grant programs of national funding agencies (e.g., US Depts of Education, Labor, Commerce, NSF, NICHD, HHS), foundations (e.g., MacArthur, Gates, Lumina), and/or high tech companies (e.g., Google, Mozilla, Apple, Microsoft)
- Capacity to contribute to current grant-funded projects in research group
- Experience developing proposals for and/or working on large grant-funded projects

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience teaching the types of courses offered by Applied Linguistics or other departments at Portland State University
- Experience with cutting-edge technologies that support adult learning and professional development

PSU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Institution and welcomes applications from diverse candidates and candidates who support diversity.

- Experience applying analyses of literacy, language and digital literacy issues to health literacy, financial literacy or lifelong learning contexts
- Familiarity with adult education delivery systems

COMPENSATION

Compensation is competitive and includes an excellent benefits package including fully paid healthcare; a generous retirement package; and reduced tuition rates for employee, spouse, or one dependent at any Oregon University System school. PSU offers employment benefits to domestic partners of employees and prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation/preference and gender identity/expression.

TO APPLY

Please send a letter of interest; curriculum vitae and a statement describing your research agenda to

Search Committee, Department of Applied Linguistics,
Portland State University,
PO Box 751, Portland OR 97207-0751, USA.

Additionally, please arrange to have three letters of reference sent directly to this address. Review of applications will begin January 16, 2012. Position will remain open until filled. For more information about the position, please contact Olivia Pierce at (503) 725-2384 or email opierce@pdx.edu.