VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN CHINESE LANGUAGE & LITERATURE
Department Of East Asian Studies

POSITION SUMMARY

The East Asian Studies Department at Occidental College seeks a one-year Visiting Assistant Professor for Fall and Spring semesters 2022-23 to teach Chinese language and literature courses. A successful candidate would contribute to the Chinese and East Asian Studies majors and minors of the department as well as to the Group Languages major and the Comparative Studies in Literature and Culture major and minor. We would like a candidate that can teach broadly in traditions of Chinese literature. While currently offer classes on Classical Chinese and medieval literature, we would be happy to consider applicants from any time period and genre of literature.

Occidental College is a nationally-ranked small liberal arts college in Northeast Los Angeles, and is recognized for its diverse student body, its commitment to academic excellence and equity, and its outstanding undergraduate research programs.

SUMMARY OF DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND GOALS

Teaching responsibilities will be six courses (3-3), including:
- Chinese language classes at the beginning and advanced levels
- literature in translation courses, culture courses, or First Year Seminars taught in English

QUALIFICATIONS

(1) applicants must be trained in Chinese language and literature
(2) native or near-native fluency in standard Mandarin
(3) by the start of employment, applicants should hold a PhD, but will also consider doctoral candidates in the ABD stage
(4) strong candidates will possess a record of or potential for teaching excellence. They will engage a variety of teaching approaches, as well as best practices to support the intellectual flourishing of all members of our diverse student body.
APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please submit a resume and cover letter explaining how your qualifications meet the requirements of the position to rcorona@oxy.edu.

Applications are due March 1st. Applicants should include:

1. cover letter describing your teaching experience and interest in teaching at a liberal arts college
2. curriculum vitae
3. evidence of teaching excellence
4. titles and course descriptions for up to two proposed literature courses
5. names of 3 references (do not request letters at this time)

Send all materials in electronic form to Romy Corona <rcorona@oxy.edu>. Inquiries about the position, about the East Asian Studies department, or about current and proposed courses can be directed to the search committee chair, Prof. Alexander Day at aday@oxy.edu.

Additional Information:

Occidental is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not unlawfully discriminate against employees or applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, breastfeeding or related medical condition, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, age, marital status, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic characteristic or information, military and veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by state or federal law. Occidental is strongly committed to increasing the diversity of the campus community and the curriculum, and to fostering an inclusive, equitable, and just environment within which students, staff, administrators, and faculty thrive. Candidates who can contribute to this goal through their work are encouraged to identify their strengths and experiences in this area. Individuals advancing the College’s strategic equity and justice goals and those from groups that are underrepresented in the field are particularly encouraged to apply.

Salary is commensurate with experience and qualifications. A comprehensive benefits package is available that includes: excellent health, dental, life, and retirement benefits; tuition benefits for the employee, spouse, domestic partner, and dependents; additional extras including use of gym facilities and the College Library. For a detailed description of benefits, please visit https://www.oxy.edu/offices-services/human-resources/benefits-information.

All qualified applicants will be considered for employment, including those with criminal histories, in a manner consistent with the requirements of applicable state and local laws, including the City of Los Angeles’ Fair Chance Initiative for Hiring Ordinance.

Occidental College is committed to working with and providing reasonable accommodations to applicants with qualifying disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation because of a disability for any part of the application or employment process, please contact Human Resources (hr@oxy.edu).

As a condition of hire for a staff position and for appointment to a faculty position, Occidental College requires that all candidates who have received a conditional offer of employment complete an application form (if they have not already done so) and consent to a background check. Satisfactory completion of a background check, along with pre-employment verifications and references are required as a condition of employment, but only as permitted by federal, state, and local law, including the City of Los Angeles Fair Chance Initiative for Hiring Ordinance.