

Visiting Instructor of Mandarin Chinese, 2024-25

Job Requirements

This position requires for the following:

- Master's degree in Mandarin Chinese Language Education or equivalent
- Minimum of 2 years of experience teaching a world language to undergraduate students and/or adults

This position prefers the following:

- Experience teaching Mandarin Chinese language as an additional or foreign language, and/or
- Experience teaching secondary students
- Experience studying or working abroad, preferably in the United States

Job Description

The candidate for this position will teach at least one 3-credit hour course of beginning level Mandarin Chinese to undergraduate students at UMKC in the Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 semesters. If qualified, we invite the candidate to teach another subject area in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, such as Chinese Literature, History, or Philosophy. If there is interest, we would also like to the candidate to teach an additional 3-credit hour course in the Spring 2025 semester for students from the Fall 2024 who wish to continue learning Mandarin Chinese.

This position includes the possibility of teaching beginning level Mandarin Chinese non-credit courses to community members of the Kansas City metropolitan region through UMKC's Applied Language Institute (ALI) for 12-16 weeks in the Fall 2024 semester, 12-16 weeks in the Spring 2024 semester, and 4-8 weeks in the Summer 2025 term. Also, during the Summer 2025 term, the candidate is expected to teach one intensive Chinese language course (~10 hours per week) to high school students and community members who are above the beginning level of Chinese.

Lastly, the candidate should be available to visit local public and private schools in the Kansas City metropolitan region to help raise awareness and spark interest in Mandarin Chinese language and Chinese/Taiwanese culture. If enrollment is low in UMKC undergraduate courses, there is a possibility for more opportunities to teach at the ALI and in local high schools.

Benefits

- Stipend of \$10,000 for the year
- \$250 of health insurance per month = \$3,000 for the year
- Pre-departure orientation
- Free pick-up and drop off at the Kansas City International Airport at the beginning and end of the contract.
- Assistance finding accommodations, including homestays.
- Introduction to the Taiwanese community in Kansas City