San José State University  
San Jose, California  
ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION AVAILABILITY  
Department of Design  
Subject to Budgetary Approval

Position: Lecturer

Rank: Part-time, temporary

Salary: Commensurate with rank and experience. Salary information is available at: http://www.sjsu.edu/facultyaffairs/

Minimum/Desired Qualifications:
Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design or Visual Communication Design combined with five or more years of professional experience in design. Candidates must demonstrate and be engaged in how words, images, motion, and sound work together to produce effective communication pieces through various media like print, and digital and network technology, with a special interest in the rhetorical thinking that lies behind the human-made world. The candidate must exhibit knowledge of graphic design within historical, socio-cultural, and technological perspectives. Awareness of and sensitivity to the educational goals of a multicultural population as might have been gained in cross-cultural study, training, teaching and other comparable experience is required. Teaching experience in design or design-related courses is also desired.

Brief Description of Duties: The Department of Design at San José State University is searching for part-time graphic design faculty members. The successful candidates will have a demonstrated familiarity and ability to teach graphic design fundamentals as well as problem solving through a solid foundation in visual, analytical, and communication skills. The candidates must exhibit an understanding of design within historical, socio-cultural, economic and technological contexts and demonstrate a command of image making and visual exploration using both traditional media and current computer-aided design tools. Candidates should be able to teach studio and/or lecture courses that might include visual methods/processes, design visualization, typography, and other design foundation topics at the undergraduate level. Participation in freshman, sophomore, junior and senior level portfolio reviews each semester will be expected (at least 1-2 days at end of semester). Attendance and participation at faculty meetings at the start of each semester is encouraged. Applicants should address the needs of a student population of great diversity – in age, cultural background, ethnicity, primary language, and academic background.

Eligibility: Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States.
Application Procedures:
SJSU is accepting applications on an ongoing basis for our pool of temporary lecturers. To apply, send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching interests/philosophy, contact information for three references, 20 examples of Candidate’s original work (or URL of portfolio site), and 20 examples of student work on a CD or Flash-drive to:

Chair, Graphic Design Part-time Search Committee
Department of Design
San José State University
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA 95192-0025

Deadline and procedures for notification:
Positions become available on an ongoing basis and will remain open until filled. Applicants accepted, and not accepted to the pool, will be notified by mail.

General Information:
The Graphic Design program at SJSU has over forty-five years of tradition and many of its alumni are very influential in the professional community in the Silicon Valley, the Bay Area, and beyond. The Graphic Design program has over 725 students, four full-time and seven part-time faculty members. The program has an excellent reputation and attracts mature and dedicated students interested in serious professional study. About half the students have prior college education and work experience, while the other half are enthusiastic students right out of high school. The GD Program is strongly connected to the vibrant professional community and students have ample opportunities to intern and work part-time at internationally acclaimed offices.

The Department of Design, with 4 program fields in the areas of Animation/Illustration, Graphic Design, and Interior Design has over 1600 undergraduate majors. Fifteen full-time and over 60 part-time faculty members teach in the Department, supported by clerical and technical staff. The Department celebrated its 100th year in 2012. SJSU is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) and is also WASC accredited.

San José State University is California’s oldest institution of public higher learning. The campus is located on the southern end of San Francisco Bay in downtown San José (Pop. 945,942), hub of the world-famous Silicon Valley high-technology research and development center. Many of California’s most popular national, recreational, and cultural attractions are conveniently close. A member of the 23-campus CSU system, San José State University enrolls approximately 29,000 students, a significant percentage of whom are members of minority groups. The University is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty so our disciplines, students and the community can benefit from multiple ethnic and gender perspectives.