ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION AVAILABILITY
Subject to Budgetary Approval
Part-Time Lecturer Pool; Animation / Illustration
Department of Design

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:

A bachelor’s degree with substantial professional achievement and teaching experience. Candidates must demonstrate and be engaged in visual storytelling and visual communication as it applies to the entertainment and game industries, commercial art and illustration, and animation.

Intellectual and aesthetic sophistication are highly valued. The candidate must exhibit a broad knowledge of their segment of the industry, as well as historical precedent and context. 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. Prior teaching experience and professional achievements must be in the field or in a closely related discipline. In exceptional circumstances, a Bachelor's degree with substantial professional achievement and teaching experience could substitute for a Master's.

Brief Description of Duties: The Department of Design at San José State University is searching for part-time animation/illustration faculty members. The successful candidates will have a demonstrated familiarity and ability to teach animation, modeling, storytelling, or illustration fundamentals as well as problem solving through a solid foundation in visual, analytical, and communication skills. The candidates must exhibit an understanding of our field within historical and socio-cultural contexts, and have strong foundational skills, digital and analog, within their area of expertise. Candidates should be capable of teaching studio and lecture courses within their area of expertise, which might include any or several of the following: Animation (2D & 3D), 3D Modeling, Visual Development, Illustration, Sequential Visual Storytelling, and/or realistic commercial art-oriented drawing and painting skills.

Participation in semi-annual portfolio reviews each semester will be encouraged, and strong preference will be accorded to candidates prepared to take an active—and proactive—role in program events beyond their class that contribute to the overall student culture within the program. We are not looking for teachers who will limit their involvement to their individual classes; we are looking for individuals who will be a positive addition to our program culture. 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, Animation / Illustration Part-time Search Committee
Department of Design
San José State University
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA 95192-0225
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 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. 1,000,000), 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 30,000 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.

San José State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, marital status, veteran status, or disability. This policy applies to all San José State University students, faculty, and staff as well as University programs and activities. Reasonable accommodations are made for applicants with disabilities who self-disclose. Note that all San José State University employees are considered mandated reporters under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and are required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

The latest San José State University Safety 101 Uniform Campus Crime and Security Report is available. You may request a copy of San José State University’s annual safety report by contacting the University Police Department at (408) 924-2222 or by visiting the University Police Department website at http://www.sjsu.edu/police.