Assistant Professor - Computational Linguistics

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Faculty/Division: University of Toronto Scarborough
Department: UTSC:Department of Language Studies
Campus:University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC)

Description:

The Department of Language Studies at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) invites applications for a full-time tenure stream position in the area of Computational Linguistics. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, with an expected start date of July 1, 2022, or shortly thereafter.

Candidates must have earned a PhD degree in Linguistics, Computer Science, Psychology, Cognitive Science, or a relevant area, with a focus on computational linguistics or a related area by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter, with a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching.

We seek candidates whose research and teaching interests complement and enhance our existing departmental strengths in theoretical linguistics, psycholinguistics, and Indigenous language revitalization. The ideal candidate will have formal training in linguistics.

Candidates’ research must have a strong focus on applying computational methods to questions in linguistic research (language structure, processing, acquisition). Connections with Natural Language Processing/speech technology will be considered an asset.

The successful candidate will be expected to pursue innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to establish an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program. The successful candidate will also be expected to demonstrate excellence in teaching, and to contribute to curriculum development of undergraduate courses in computational linguistics. The candidate will have an appointment in the Tri-campus graduate department in Linguistics and will teach and supervise graduate students in that department. The possibility of cross-appointment in Computer Science can also be
explored.

Candidates must provide evidence of research excellence which can be demonstrated by a record of publications in top-ranked and field relevant journals or forthcoming publications meeting high international standards, the submitted research statement, presentations at significant conferences, awards and accolades, and strong endorsements from referees of high standing.

Evidence of excellence in teaching will be provided through teaching accomplishments, the teaching dossier (with required materials outlined below) submitted as part of the application, as well as strong letters of reference.

Candidates must also show evidence of a commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and the promotion of a respectful and collegial learning and working environment demonstrated through the application materials.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Applicants must submit a cover letter, a current curriculum vitae, a research statement outlining current and future research interests, a recent writing sample, and a teaching dossier, which should include a teaching statement, sample course materials, including ideas for future teaching, and teaching evaluations.

Applicants must also provide the name and contact information of three references. The University of Toronto’s recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of references from each after an application is submitted (this happens overnight). Applicants remain responsible for ensuring that references submit letters (on letterhead, dated and signed) by the closing date.

Submission guidelines can be found at http://uoft.me/how-to-apply. Your CV and cover letter should be uploaded into the dedicated fields. Please combine additional application materials into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format. If you have any questions about this position, please contact Professor Juvénal Ndayiragije at dlsssearchcommittee2021@utsc.utoronto.ca

All application materials, including reference letters, must be received by October 20, 2021.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.
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