

Computational Linguistics Job Advertisement

The [Department of Linguistics](#) and the Social Data Analytics Program [\(SDA\)](#) in the [Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences](#) at [Simon Fraser University](#) (Burnaby Campus) invite applications for one tenure-track faculty position in computational linguistics at the rank of Assistant Professor. The academic appointment will be a full-time position in the Department of Linguistics, and will be affiliated with the SDA. The anticipated start date for this position is on or after July 15, 2025.

Qualifications

A PhD in linguistics, computer science, computational linguistics, natural language processing, or closely related field is required. PhD candidates with solid indication of imminent completion may be hired at the rank of Instructor and will be promoted to the rank of Assistant Professor upon completion of the PhD.

The successful candidate must be a specialist in computational linguistics, broadly understood.

We welcome applications from candidates who can contribute to the existing research strengths in the Department as well as complement those strengths in new ways. They must have demonstrated excellence in research through a proven record of publications, conference presentations, and/or other forms of knowledge dissemination, appropriate to their career stage.

The successful candidate must also have ability to teach courses in general linguistics and computational linguistics (social data analytics, computational social science, or natural language processing), at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. This can be demonstrated through a teaching portfolio, including a statement of teaching philosophy, syllabi of courses taught, or courses proposed.

Duties

Duties include maintaining an active program of research; teaching courses at the undergraduate and graduate level; supervision of graduate students; participation in the collegial governance and intellectual life of the Linguistics Department, the SDA Program, and the university; and service to the academic community. The candidate is expected to teach at least one course per year in the SDA Program.

Applications

Preference will be given to complete applications received by November 30, 2024, but we will continue to accept applications beyond that date until the position is filled.

SFU recognizes that alternative career paths and/or career interruptions (e.g. parental leave, leave due to illness, research delays due to COVID-19) can impact research achievements and commits to ensuring that leaves are taken into careful consideration. Candidates are encouraged to highlight in their application how alternative paths and/or interruptions have impacted them.

Simon Fraser University is an institution whose strength is based on our shared commitments to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Diversity is an underlying principle of our Strategic Vision, which pledges SFU to “foster a culture of inclusion and mutual respect, celebrating the diversity reflected among its students, faculty, staff, and our community.” SFU is committed to ensuring that no individual is denied access to employment opportunities for reasons unrelated to ability or qualifications. Consistent with this principle, SFU will advance the interests of underrepresented members of the work force, including Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, racialized persons, and women; embrace gender and sexual diversity; ensure that equal opportunity is afforded to all who seek employment at the University; and treat all employees equitably. Candidates that belong to underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

The application must include the following:

- Cover letter summarizing the applicant’s experience, qualifications, and interest in the position
- Current CV
- Research statement
- Teaching portfolio

Candidates selected for interviews will be asked to arrange for 3 letters of reference to be sent to the Department. Applications should be submitted electronically to lingasst@sfu.ca in PDF format only as a single file.

About SFU

Simon Fraser University is in the top ten research universities in Canada and has ranked first in Maclean’s Comprehensive category for many years. Located in Metro Vancouver, SFU has three campuses, which are located on the unceded traditional territories of the xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxw̓ ú7mesh (Squamish), səlidlwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh), q̓ícəy̓ (Katzie), kwikwəłəm (Kwikwetlem), qiqéyt (Qayqayt), q’wa:ńł’əń (Kwantlen), Səmyámə (Semiahmoo), and scəwaθən (Tsawwassen) Peoples.

By recognizing the Unceded Traditional Coast Salish territories, we aspire to create a space for reconciliation through dialogue and decolonizing practices. Vancouver is consistently rated among the top ten most livable cities in the world.

Faculty salaries at SFU are based on the salary scales bargained between the University and the SFU Faculty Association. A reasonable estimate of the salary range for this role is \$104,700 to \$153,322. Candidates for the Assistant Professor position must have a PhD; however, PhD candidates with a solid indication of imminent completion may be hired at the rank of Instructor and will be promoted to the rank of Assistant Professor upon completion of the PhD. A reasonable estimate for the salary range if the successful candidate will be starting as an Instructor is \$98,340 to \$124,700. Both estimates are dependent on experience and are inclusive of a market differential.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. This position is subject to the availability of funding.

Personal information that forms part of an application is collected under the general authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, applicable University Policies, and the SFUFA/SFU Collective Agreement. For further details see the full [Collection Notice](#).

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