

San José State University
San José, California
ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION AVAILABILITY
Subject to Budgetary Approval
URBAN ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

Job Opening ID (JOID): 012997

Rank: Assistant Professor

Qualifications:

Applicants must have a doctorate in geography or related field by the time the appointment begins, demonstrated excellence in teaching, and evidence of continuing research in her/his area of specialization. Job assignment will be adjusted, within departmental needs, to the interests and qualifications of the successful applicant. Applicants should have 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.

Responsibilities:

Geography at San Jose State University emphasizes the use of geographic perspectives and methods to solve problems at local, national, and international scales. We seek a colleague with vision, leadership skills, and enthusiasm to expand and develop our undergraduate and graduate programs.

The applicant should expect to teach and develop courses, at introductory and advanced levels, in our Urban Analysis emphasis from the perspective of urban economic geography. The applicant should also expect to expand and improve the department's offerings in the University's general education program and content training for future K-12 teachers. The successful applicant may also be invited to support the graduate program in geography at San José State, which focuses on geographic information science.

Twelve units per semester is the standard teaching load, but the successful applicant may be granted a reduced load during the first year. The applicant should anticipate advising undergraduate and graduate students, participating in departmental leadership, research, and other professional activities, and building links between the department and other public and private organizations in both Silicon Valley and beyond. We seek a colleague who will address the needs of ethnically diverse students through innovative course materials, teaching strategies, and advisement.

Candidate must address the needs of a student population of great diversity—in age, cultural background, ethnicity, primary language and academic preparation—through course materials, teaching strategies and advisement.

Salary Range: Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Starting Date: August 21, 2008.

Eligibility: Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States.

Application Procedures: For full consideration send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching interests/philosophy and research plans, and at least three original letters of reference with contact information by January 15, 2008 to:

Prof. Richard Taketa, Chair
Department of Geography
San José State University
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San José, CA 95192-0116

Please include Job Opening ID (JOID)
#012997 on all correspondence.

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. 945,000), 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.

SJSU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer committed to nondiscrimination on the bases of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender status, marital status, pregnancy, age, disability, or covered veteran status consistent with applicable federal and state laws. This policy applies to all SJSU students, faculty, and staff as well as University programs and activities. Reasonable accommodations are made for applicants with disabilities who self-disclose.

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