

2016 Ritsumeikan Visiting Professorship(VISI Professor)

The UBC Ritsumeikan Academic Exchange Programme (<http://rits.ubc.ca/>) is seeking applications from members of The Faculty of Arts or Faculty of Education for the 2016 Visiting Professorship at Ritsumeikan University in Kyoto, Japan.

Under this agreement a tenured or tenure track faculty member has an opportunity to conduct research while making a teaching contribution at Ritsumeikan University for one academic semester. Applicants' teaching field(s) must match those offered by Ritsumeikan. Please check the Ritsumeikan English Language website to determine their current programs:
<http://www.ritsumeai.ac.jp/eng/>

Teaching assignments at Ritsumeikan for the 2015 fall semester have already been determined. Interested applicants would be applying for the spring or fall semester for 2016. The VISI Professor will be expected to remain in Japan until the grades for his/her course are submitted.

Spring Semester (approximate dates)

Semester begins: April 1, 2016

Last day of class: July 20, 2016

Exam period: July 23 - August 2, 2016

Fall Semester (approximate dates)

Semester begins: September 26, 2016

Last day of class: January 21, 2017

Exam period: January 23 – February 21, 2017

Ritsumeikan University provides single accommodation for the VISI Professor although it may be possible to arrange suitable accommodation for a family if advance notice is given. The Faculty of Arts or Faculty of Education provides travel expenses to a maximum of \$5000. There is no additional stipend or teaching buyout provided by UBC.

The successful applicant will:

1. Demonstrate the value of his/her participation in the program to their academic career/the Faculty/university
2. Meet the teaching, research, and collegial needs of Ritsumeikan
3. Have a strong record of teaching excellence
4. Have a demonstrated potential for intellectual engagement with colleagues at Ritsumeikan University.

Previous Ritsumeikan Visiting Professors have included:

Dr. Donald Baker, Asian Studies Fall 2015

Dr. Kenneth Reeder, Language and Literacy Education – Spring 2014

Dr. David Anderson, Curriculum and Pedagogy, Fall 2010/11

Dr. Peter Nosco, Asian Studies, Fall 2008/09

Dr. John O'Brian, Art History, Visual Art and Theory, Fall 2007/08

Dr. Dominic Lopes, Philosophy, Fall 2006/07

Dr. Robert Cousland, Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies, Fall 2005/06

Dr. Millie Creighton, Department of Anthropology and Sociology - 2004/05

Dr. Sharalyn Orbaugh – Asian Studies – 2003/04

The application deadline is March 31, 2015. All applications should include a current CV and a brief statement outlining the applicant's academic goals should they be selected as the Ritsumeikan Visiting Professor for 2015. Applications are adjudicated by the Academic Advisory Committee of the UBC Ritsumeikan Academic Exchange, and forwarded for approval to the Dean of the Faculty of Arts or Education and the Office of the Vice Provost and Associate Vice President Academic Affairs and Resources.

Please send your applications to:
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