1 Sessional Lecturer Position for Summer 2016 (May - August 2016 Session)

INF 2170HY Information Architecture

Course Description: The term ‘information architecture’ (IA) generally refers to how online content is structured to support effective information use. Course lectures are divided into three rubrics: Information Design Fundamentals (design principles), Information Architecture Development Process (development methods), and Professional Practice (working as an information architect). An explicitly user-centred (‘bottom-up’) approach to the development process will be taken throughout. At the end of this course, students will be able to differentiate between the various disciplines implicated explicitly or implicitly in the development of information architecture. They will be able to understand and apply basic principles of cognitive psychology, industrial design, systems analysis and human-computer interaction to the practice of information architecture. Student will also learn to apply simple user-centred methods to address information architecture problems in the context of work places and practices. Finally, students will learn to apply information architecture principles and development methods to create and refine an information architecture schema to address an information design problem, and to create a rapid prototype to demonstrate information architecture schemata. The format of the course comprises lectures, reinforced by two assignments, a quiz and a final exam.

Estimate of the course enrolment: 15-35 students

Estimate of TA Support: None (Allocation of TA hours, if any, will be based on enrolment numbers. Please see Faculty Guidelines)

Class Schedule: Mondays, 6:30pm-9:30pm

Sessional dates of appointment: May 1st, 2016 – August 31st, 2016

Salary: (Half Course)
- Sessional Lecturer I: $7,268.22
- Sessional Lecturer I LongTerm: $7,405.93
- Sessional Lecturer II: $7,727.26
- Sessional Lecturer III: $8,084.30

Please note that should rates stipulated in the collective agreement vary from rates stated in this posting, the rates stated in the collective agreement shall prevail.

Qualifications: Preferably candidates will have a completed, or nearly completed, PhD degree in an area related to the course or a Master’s degree plus extensive professional experience in an area related to the course. Teaching experience is preferred.

Brief description of duties: Preparing course materials; delivering course content (e.g., seminars, lectures, and labs); developing and administering course assignments, tests & exams; grading; holding regular office hours.

Application Process: Applicants must submit a completed CUPE 3902 Unit 3 application form http://www.hrandedequity.utoronto.ca/resources/forms.htm and current Curriculum Vitae via email by Monday March 7th, 2016 at 5:00pm to the attention of:

Mr. Glenn Cumming, Chief Administrative Officer
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This job is posted in accordance with the CUPE 3902 Unit 3 Collective Agreement. In accordance with the Employment Equity Policy, the University of Toronto encourages applications from qualified women and men, members of visible minorities, aboriginal peoples, and persons with disabilities. Preference in hiring is given to qualified individuals advanced to the rank of Sessional
Lecturer II or Sessional Lecturer III in accordance with Article 14:12. This position is subject to final budgetary approval. It is understood that some announcements of vacancies are tentative, pending final course determinations and enrolment.

Please note: Undergraduate or graduate students and postdoctoral fellows of the University of Toronto are covered by the CUPE 3902 Unit 1 collective agreement rather than the Unit 3 collective agreement, and should not apply for positions posted under the Unit 3 collective agreement.

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