Research Assistant Professor in Applied Language Sciences (Ref. 19121311)

The Department of Chinese and Bilingual Studies is one of the constituent departments of the Faculty of Humanities. One of the core missions of the Department of Chinese and Bilingual Studies is to promote and develop studies of Chinese in multilingual contexts and studies of multilingualism in Chinese contexts. It has built a reputation in Applied Chinese Language Studies, and seeks to extend its strength in areas like Bilingualism (including Translation and Interpreting), Intercultural Communication and East Asian Studies. Another mission of the Department is to offer profession-oriented programmes that meet the career aspirations of young adults in Hong Kong and elsewhere in Greater China. It offers bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degree programmes in Chinese Linguistics, Chinese Language Teaching, Speech Therapy, Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language, Translating & Interpreting, and Bilingual Corporate Communication. It also offers courses in Korean/Japanese language and culture at bachelor’s level. Within the Department, there is a Centre for Translation Studies, a PolyU-PekingU Research Centre on Chinese Linguistics, a Speech Therapy Unit, and a Research Centre for Language, Cognition, and Neuroscience. The Department has over 40 full-time academic and teaching staff members. More information about the CBS Department may be found at http://www.cbs.polyu.edu.hk/.

Duties

The appointee will be required to:

(a) conduct research as the main duty and actively pursue external research grants, such as General Research Fund, as Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator;

(b) provide quality teaching at undergraduate or postgraduate level;

(c) contribute to departmental service; and

(d) perform any other duties as assigned by the Head of Department or his/her delegates.

Qualifications

Applicants should:

(a) have a doctoral degree in a relevant discipline, preferably with the specialism in Clinical Linguistics, Special Education Needs, Language Pathology, Speech Therapy, Neuroscience or Computational Linguistics with usage of language technology in digital humanities and big data analytics, additional expertise in other areas of the humanities such as media studies or language and literature will be a significant advantage;

(b) have a promising track record indicative of strengths in research and teaching in his/her field;

(c) be able to demonstrate effective classroom teaching skills; and

(d) be highly proficient in written and spoken English.
Preference will be given to those who are fluent in Cantonese or Putonghua and literate in written Chinese.

**Remuneration and Conditions of Service**

A highly competitive remuneration package will be offered. Appointment will only be on a fixed-term gratuity-bearing contract. Applicants should state their current and expected salary in the application.

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