



POSITION OVERVIEW

DIVISION: School of Language

ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE: Japanese Language

POSITION TITLE: Language Lecturer

LOCATION: Suzhou Campus

SALARY: The salary range for the positions is 16,937 – 30,762 RMB/month depending on qualifications and experience, with higher salary levels available through internal promotion. In addition, members of academic staff are entitled to accommodation and travel allowances, medical insurance, and relocation expenses.

POSITION OPEN DATE: 1 September 2020

ADVERTISEMENT CLOSING DATE: Open until filled

CONTRACT TYPE: Full-time

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU) is a unique collaborative institution and the first joint-venture university in China to offer both UK (University of Liverpool) and Chinese (Ministry of Education) accredited undergraduate degrees for all programmes. Formed in 2006, the first cohort of students graduated in August 2010. The University now has over 15,000 students studying on campus. The language of instruction is English. XJTLU aims to become truly research-led, and has recently committed significant investment into research development and the expansion of PhD student numbers on campus.

XJTLU is located in the Higher Education Town of Suzhou Industrial Park (SIP). Suzhou has been ranked the 74th most liveable city in the 2018 Global Liveability Index. Additionally, it is well-connected via nearby airports to cities such as Hong Kong, Seoul, Tokyo, and Taipei, and via high-speed rail to other major cities in China. SIP is a major growth zone, including operations run by nearly one-fifth of the Fortune 500 top global companies. Greater Suzhou is now the fourth largest concentration of economic activity in China in terms of GDP, and the SIP has a higher GDP per capita than the UK. The broader Suzhou area encompasses the spirit of both old and new in China, with the historic old town's canals, UNESCO World Heritage Site gardens, and the I.M. Pei-designed Suzhou Museum attracting millions of tourists annually. SIP offers an excellent quality of life with high environmental standards. The nearby Jinji Lake provides attractive views, by day and by night, and there is a variety of shopping facilities, international and local restaurants, entertainment hubs and nightlife. Suzhou is also home to four international schools.

The School of Language is a growing, dynamic and international centre, currently with over 200 full-time teaching staff from twelve different countries. We are involved in the teaching of English for Academic Purposes (EAP), and Modern Languages (currently Chinese, Spanish, and Japanese).

Both the centre and the wider university have a strong commitment to the professional development of School of Language teaching staff. At the university level, new staff are enrolled free-of-charge on a University of Liverpool postgraduate certificate programme, completion of which leads to fellowship of the UK Higher Education Academy (HEA). The School of Language also holds regular professional development events and training days. While the School of Language is a teaching centre, with no specific research remit, some funding is available for staff to present at conferences that are relevant to the work of the centre, provided that this does not interfere with teaching duties.



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RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

Applications are invited for Japanese language teaching positions in the School of Language at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU). Candidates are sought as soon thereafter as possible. Interviews will be conducted on an ongoing basis.

There will be opportunities for Japanese language lecturer to be involved in a range of different types of delivery, including:

- Compulsory credit-bearing Japanese language modules on the university's "International Business with a Language" BA degree programme, which allows students to study Japanese continuously through their degree up to CEFR B2 level
- Optional credit-bearing Japanese language modules available to undergraduate students
- Out-of-class Japanese language support activities

As we expand the Japanese language offering at XJTLU we would also look to offer the following in future:

- Japanese language courses that are an optional component of postgraduate degrees
- Coordination of content for an overseas summer Japanese immersion programme in Japan

There will also be the opportunity for a member of the Japanese teaching team to take on a managerial role with responsibility for the coordination and leadership of the Japanese teaching programmes. Additionally, there are opportunities for all staff to develop their careers by taking on wider managerial and administrative roles, as well as by contributing to both School of Language and university-level committees. All managerial, administrative and committee roles are appointed to on a fixed-term basis, thus providing all staff members with a range of options to take on responsibilities in areas that interest them.

QUALIFICATIONS

ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS/EXPERIENCE

Successful applicants should be educated to Master's degree level in a relevant area (e.g. Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language), and should have at least two years of post-master's relevant teaching experience, preferably at university level. Additionally, applicants should have a good standard of written and spoken English, as this is the working language of the university.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS/EXPERIENCE

We are particularly interested in receiving applications from teachers with experience of setting up Japanese teaching programmes or being involved with the establishment of Japanese programmes at an early stage of their development. Applicants who can demonstrate an interest in either or both of the following areas: Technology enhanced learning; Assessment, syllabus and materials design are also particularly welcome.

OTHERS

COMPENSATION PACKAGE:

Members of Academic Staff are entitled to subsidies for accommodation, travel, and children's educational, medical insurance, and a one-time relocation allowance is provided. Overseas staff may receive a tax "holiday,"



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depending on nationality and personal circumstances.

CITIZENSHIP AND VISA REGULATIONS:

Employment at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University is regulated by Chinese Labour Laws, and must comply with the regulations of the provincial government. These regulations stipulate who is eligible for legal employment with regard to obtaining work permits and visas. Please be advised candidates over 55 may not be eligible for PRC work visa.

TO APPLY:

Please submit your applications online

https://career15.sapsf.cn/career?career_company=xjtlu

Applications must be submitted in a single pdf file that includes 3 parts in the order of:

- A cover letter specifying your suitability for the role
- A current CV, including date of birth, country of citizenship, and highest degree level
- Contact details for three references (at least a reference from current or most recent employer.

Preferably current employer *and* last employer)

Informal enquiries may be addressed to Head of Japanese Language Teaching, Daisuke Yamaguchi (Daisuke.Yamaguchi@xjtlu.edu.cn). Please quote the position and job ID in your enquiry.

If you are unable to apply on-line please contact the Human Resource Office.

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