Part-time German Instructor for Adult Classes

On-site and virtual Germanic-American Institute, St. Paul, Minnesota



Overview

The Germanic-American Institute is a Minnesota non-profit organization, located on historic Summit Avenue in St. Paul. The GAI is the most prominent center for German language and culture education in the United States, and our mission is to connect people to a broader world through German language and culture. We operate two German Immersion preschools, a Saturday school, summer camps, and adult language classes for every level, in addition to producing a wide array of cultural programs throughout the year. The GAI is also a Goethe-Institut proficiency exam testing center and sanctioned Kulturgesellschaft.

Currently, GAI classes use Schritte International Neu for levels A1-B1 and Sicher! for upper levels. Our instructors and students enjoy the curriculum due to its highly communicative approach. Instructors are expected to follow the textbook and assign homework from the workbook. At the same time, we encourage instructors to also bring in any additional materials, share about cultural customs, use audiovisual media and include other topics of interest in their teaching.

Hours:

The positions average one or two classes / week with each adult class lasting 2.5 hours. Most classes are scheduled on weekday evenings or weekday mornings. Classes are offered in-person at the GAI or online via Zoom. Courses are offered year-round with the heaviest class load during Fall, Winter and Spring sessions.

The ideal candidate for this job is passionate about German language education and has experience with teaching German as a foreign language. The GAI offers a variety of classes for beginners to nearly-fluent adult students. Adult students range from working professionals to retirees, to the occasional high school student, with many different reasons for learning German. The core academic curriculum is provided, with the ability to supplement and adjust based on individual preferences.

Start Date: April 2023

Requirements

§ Native or near-native fluency in German.

- § Professional experience / training in teaching German as a foreign language or equivalent.
- § Ability to maintain a classroom environment that is conducive to learning.
- § Familiarity with a variety of instructional methods, materials, and techniques.

Availability

Weekday evenings for adult classes.

Additional communication with students as needed. Graduate degree and/or teaching licensure preferred but not required

Starting wage: \$38.00 - \$42.00 per Instructional Hour (DOE)

To Apply

Send a resume/CV and cover letter to Monika Estrada, Director of Language Education, GAI Language Services, at language@gai-mn.org. For more information visit www.gaimn.org.