

**PROFILE SUMMARY FOR
UCEAP SHORT-TERM TEACHING ASSIGNMENT**

Regional Director Mary McMahon, Region II

**Tokyo, Japan (International Christian University) –
Contemporary Japanese Culture**

APPOINTMENT and RESIDENCY PERIOD

- Late August through Late November 2010, *approximately 14 weeks*
- UC instructors need to be on site at least a week prior to the start of the semester

HOST UNIVERSITIES AND PROGRAM CAPACITY

International Christian University – approx. 40 UC students and 40 ICU students

JOB AND PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The joint ICU-UC program is taught in English to UC and ICU students. The program focuses on the culture of post-World War II Japan, its international influence and contributions, and social and cultural phenomena, including the language and art of Japanese popular culture, particularly *anime* and *manga*. Students explore changes that have been taking place in Japan (immigration, falling birth rate, global youth culture, Japan's role in world affairs) and how those are reflected in artistic genres and other cultural representations. The joint program's specially designed core course, co-taught by ICU and UC professors, along with regular ICU courses tailored to the program theme, provides a prism through which students can discover contemporary Japanese social and understand current cultural manifestations in all their historic and contextual complexity.

Interdisciplinary and subject specific courses focusing on contemporary Japanese culture are planned in the areas of art, communication, sociology, popular culture, economic development, history, politics, media, and theater.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Visiting Professor - Japanese language ability is desirable but not required.
- Students - There is no language prerequisite for students.

FACULTY DISCIPLINES PREFERRED FOR THIS POSITION

Humanities and Social Sciences.

OFFICE LOCATION

The EAP Tokyo Study Center is located at International Christian University in a western suburb of Tokyo.

OFFICE STAFF

A UC Study Center Director and staff assist UC students and the UC Visiting Professor with many details of the program.

HOUSING

Assistance in finding appropriate housing in Tokyo will be provided.

TEACHING

The UC faculty member co-teaches the Core Course outlined below:

The core course, entitled *Contemporary Japan from Ramuné to Animé* (65-80 students) is co-taught in English by the UC Visiting Professor and an ICU faculty person. The course covers fundamental changes in post-WWII Japan, and the geopolitical, socioeconomic, artistic, and media traditions with which they connect. The more traditional texts that provide background and coherence include academic articles, literary pieces, and personal

essays by key political and cultural figures, recorded radio and television broadcasts, as well as important films, animé, and manga. In the process, the core course raises questions about the transnational dimensions of Japanese culture as it interacts with other Asian and Western cultural phenomena to produce a dynamic and ever-changing kaleidoscope of 21st century color, commentary, and commotion.

The core course includes a program-long experiential dimension as groups of ICU and UC students form bilingual teams and fan out across Tokyo to explore neighborhoods and landmarks that have played significant roles in making of today's Japanese cultural scene.

The core course is supplemented by interdisciplinary and subject specific courses focusing on contemporary Japanese culture are planned in the areas of art, communication, sociology, popular culture, economic development, history, politics, media, and theater.

In addition to the Core Course:

The faculty member is required to teach a second course (approximately 35 students) that is related to the overall program theme of contemporary Japan.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

This position is a **Short-Term Teaching Assignment** rather than a Study Center Directorship.

COMPENSATION

UC faculty instructors in this program remain on their campus home department's payroll for the duration of appointment term in Japan. Participant's department will receive course release funds in the amount of \$11,000 to compensate department for the participation of its faculty member in this program.

In addition, UOEAP agrees to provide the UC faculty instructor abroad with the following financial reimbursements as proscribed within UC Policy and Regulations Governing Travel Reimbursements:

- A. One lowest economy round-trip airfare from California to Tokyo, Japan
- B. Reimbursement of lodging expenses for the period concurrent with your term of appointment, not to exceed \$4,000.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The deadline for receipt of completed applications, supporting documentation and signed campus endorsements is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 16, 2009 (*late applications will not be accepted*).

HOW TO APPLY

STEP 1 Prepare and Submit Application Form and Supporting Documentation, to include the following items:

- UOEAP Abbreviated Application Form**
- A brief statement of interest discussing your reasons for applying, to include:**
 - a) Succinct teaching proposal/course syllabus for the course(s) you would like to teach, as well as your credentials for teaching in the program.
 - b) Documentation of strong teaching skills (teaching awards, summaries of teaching evaluations and/or letters)
- Curriculum vitae, please limit Publications and Presentations section to *no more than five pages in length*.**

Submit the above information as email attachments (MS Word Document format.doc) to Suzanne A. King at facultyrecruitment@eap.ucop.edu

STEP 2 Obtain Campus Endorsement Approvals for Potential Release from Campus:

- Acquisition of signature approvals for proposed release time from campus is required from applicant's Department Chair and Dean. **Completed Campus Endorsements may initially be submitted by email, with signed originals sent as specified below:**

- a) **Present the Campus Endorsement Form to your Department Chair for signature approval and request that they forward to your Dean for approval.**
For their review and consideration, it is recommended you include a cover letter detailing your request, along with photocopies of your completed Application Form and the Job Description & Program Details Profile Summary for each position you are applying for.
- b) **Monitor the signature approval process on your campus to ensure that** your campus are completed and received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 16, 2009 to:

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Questions on Application and Interview Process, contact:
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Questions that are Program-Specific in nature should be sent to
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