

Teaching Fellowship at DWIT, Kathmandu, Nepal

Organization Profile

Deerwalk Institute of Technology (DWIT), founded in 2010 and affiliated with Tribhuvan University, is one of the most highly regarded computer science and information technology schools in Nepal.

<http://deerwalk.edu.np/>

Position Overview

The fellowship will entail instructing a diverse student body of Nepalese college students in oral and written English comprehension, focusing on improving international proficiency throughout their tenure at DWIT. The fellow will be expected to quickly assess the language proficiency of all students and then develop a diverse curriculum to address the different levels of proficiency. The fellow will be responsible for teaching one class to each of the four grade levels. Class size is a maximum of 24 students, with a total of 48 students per grade level. Students have learned best when professors use blended learning techniques including pop culture, current events, social media and experiential learning. Such practices better equip IT students to perform in international jobs where they interact with English speakers from multiple backgrounds. Every class needs a minimum of a lesson plan, midterm exam and final exam. However, continuous feedback through written exercise, oral recording and group skill building has proven successful. Each student arrives at DWIT with a diverse set of skills and talents. A successful teacher is able to harness student creativity, talents and non-technical interests to engage the class. Length of fellowship: 5-10 months (option to stay for a half or full school year).

Average Week

DWIT school hours are Monday to Friday 7:00AM to 7:00PM. The average week includes 4 – 12 teaching hours, class preparation work, student office hours and engagement in extracurricular activities such as editing student papers for DWIT News. Teachers often only teach two hours per day. Additionally, the fellow may be requested to participate in activities at Deerwalk Services including interaction with the Professional Communication Club, training events, and editing business literature and blog posts. Total work time is approximately 40 hours per week.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Lesson planning for English language class, Technical Writing class, and professional communication classes with minimum guidance (subject to change based on school year)
- Hold office hours for students to discuss class material and grades
- Develop, deliver, and grade regular assignments given to students in all four grade levels
- Serve as faculty supervisor to the News Club, including weekly editing of news articles
- May be asked to assist with incoming student application grading, specifically the English portions of the Deerwalk Aptitude Test and the statements of purpose on applications
- Ability to adapt easily in and outside of the classroom, and create lessons that do not use internet

Qualifications

- Holds degree from a liberal arts college
- Some teaching experience preferred
- Has a basic understanding of, and interest in, living and working in Nepal
- Is from the United States
- Some knowledge of, or interest in, computer science and information technology helpful, but not required

Compensation

In addition to a monthly salary, Deerwalk provides round-trip airfare; visa fees; a furnished apartment free of rent for the fellow located in the Deerwalk complex; free daily lunch in the canteen; and transportation services.

Application Procedure

Contact Rudra Pandey at rpandey@deerwalk.com with a resume and cover letter expressing interest in the position.