

DEEP SPRINGS
DEEP SPRINGS COLLEGE, CALIFORNIA
Founded 1917

Visiting Composition Instructor

Deep Springs College seeks a Visiting Composition Instructor for the Fall, 2027 term.

Composition is intended to introduce the first year students to the craft and conventions of college-level academic writing. The ideal applicant has a Master's degree or Ph.D. and will have substantial experience teaching composition at the undergraduate level.

Visiting instructor positions in Composition at Deep Springs pay \$12,000 per semester plus free housing and meals. In addition, the college will reimburse moving expenses up to \$1,000. The position is renewable annually.

About Deep Springs

Founded in 1917, Deep Springs College is a private, nonsectarian, fully accredited 2-year college program for academically gifted young people, located on a small cattle-and-alfalfa ranch in a beautiful, remote area of the White Mountains on the California-Nevada border. The program enrolls 26-30 students who divide their time between rigorous academics, labor, and self-governance ("the three pillars") with the aim of cultivating a life of leadership and service. All students receive a full scholarship during their two years of study. Afterwards, most students transfer to top-tier institutions in order to complete their undergraduate degree.

The faculty of the college is composed of three long-term professors, and two to three visiting professors per term. The student faculty ratio is 4:1, and most classes have fewer than 10 students. Professors at Deep Springs have a unique impact on the intellectual culture of the school; a specific interest in how pedagogy may inform a life of service would be invaluable in this role. Deep Springs is a small and isolated community. As such, professors are expected to engage with the community beyond the classroom by fostering rapport with students and colleagues; opportunities include sharing in meals, projects, recreation, research, and ongoing conversation. Faculty members are also welcome (but not required) to serve on one of five standing committees that perform responsibilities such as admitting students. For more information, please visit our [website](#).

Materials

We ask applicants to submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and statement of teaching philosophy including a short description of a composition course you would offer at Deep Springs. We are particularly interested in courses which emphasize peer review, multiple

revisions, and structural critiques. Please also include sample syllabi from previous composition courses. If selected for a Zoom interview, we may also request contact information for three references. Applications can be submitted to compositionsearch@deepsprings.edu.

We will begin reviewing files for the position in early January, and the position will remain open until filled.

Deep Springs is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnic origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, religion or political affiliation.

For more information, please visit deepsprings.edu

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