The Department of Linguistics employs mostly Markers, but there are also Teaching Assistant positions for LING 220, as well as Practicum Observer positions for LING 363. For convenience, this document refers to these positions collectively as Course Assistant (CA) positions. All of these positions in the Department of Linguistics require academic training and skills appropriate to the course in which the CA is to work. This normally means a minimum of a) completion (or near completion) of a Bachelor’s degree in linguistics or an equivalent discipline, and b) competence in the sub-discipline of the course. Candidates may document this with a record of appropriate course work, research, and/or relevant experience.

Qualified candidates will have priority for appointment according to the following criteria, ranked in order from highest priority to lowest:

1. Registered graduate students from within the department who have accumulated 25 or fewer base units (for M.A. students), or 40 or fewer base units (for Ph.D. students) in prior CA appointments.
2. Registered graduate students from within the department over the base unit limits noted in (1) above.
3. Registered graduate students from outside the department who have accumulated 25 or fewer base units (for M.A. students), or 40 or fewer base units (for Ph.D. students) in prior CA appointments.
4. Registered graduate students from outside the department over the base unit limits noted in (3) above.
5. All other applicants (undergraduate or external applicants). Before undergraduate students and external applicants are offered positions, each qualified applicant in the priority categories (1-4) above must be offered at least four base units, unless the graduate student requests less.

If an assignment within a priority group requires a selection between applicants, the department will give sub-priority to the graduate student without financial support from merit-based scholarships or merit-based fellowships. After that, the following criteria will determine priority, in the order given: 1) candidates with unfulfilled commitments for CA support as stated in their offer of admission from the Linguistics Department will be given priority over other applicants, and 2) candidates with a lesser amount of funding from other sources (scholarships and research assistantships) will be preferred over candidates with higher levels of funding.

If CA positions become available after the initially posted positions, the department will notify all graduate students registered in the department via email. These positions will be posted on the central posting website and shall remain open for at least
two working days prior to being awarded.

All positions are subject to budgetary approval.

Simon Fraser University is committed to employment equity and welcomes applications from all qualified persons, including visible minorities, Aboriginal people, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ-identified persons.

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