To our colleagues in COLA,

Established in 2014 by the Program in Comparative Literature’s graduate student association, the Reading World Literature program (R WL) offers literature courses at the Travis County Correctional Complex (T CCC). With the support of the Travis County Sheriff’s Office (TCSO), graduate students teach at the pre-trial facility located past the airport.

We are soliciting applications from graduate students to co-teach a literature course for 4 to 6 weeks at the T CCC in the Fall 2018 semester. If you are interested in using your literary knowledge and pedagogical training to get involved with our community, we welcome your application.

R WL instructors will be required to attend four program meetings during the Spring 2018 semester. The meetings will focus on our Core Values and serve as an opportunity to formally reflect on work with students in the facility. The schedule of program meetings will be determined by the directors and the graduate student participants.

All first-time R WL instructors are required to co-teach their course with another graduate student. Typically, R WL courses focus on a single text because of the turnaround at the facility. Instructors will be able to discuss and determine the content of their course with the R WL co-directors and their R WL cohort. Instructors will be provided with a stipend of $1200 for their work. The stipend does not affect graduate student funding packages and is not income. International students are equally eligible for participation in Reading World Literature.

**Minimum requirements for R WL instructors:**

✓ No convictions for any aggravated or sexual offenses.
✓ No outstanding warrants
✓ No arrests within the past 24 months
✓ If on Parole and/or Probation: (Normally applies to Substance Abuse/12 Step Programs)
  o Must have a written recommendation from their Parole/Probation Officer
  o Must provide evidence of employment or legitimate means of livelihood
  o Must have been on Parole/Probation for at least 12 months without any incarceration time or adverse reports

**Interested applicants must submit the following to RWL@utexas.edu by August 6, 2018**

€ CV
€ Statement of Interest: *What do you want to teach? Please provide a text and include a short course description. Why do you want to participate in this program? What are your goals, intellectually and pedagogically? Do you have any experience teaching in correctional facilities? If so, please explain.*
€ One reference
Instructor Responsibilities include:

✓ Complete the TCCC volunteer application, background-check, and orientation to obtain facility access
✓ Draft a syllabus and reading schedule for your course; upload all materials ongoingly to RWL Team Drive for director review and program records
✓ Attend all mandatory program meetings with your RWL cohort and directors
✓ Schedule your course times and days with the education coordinator at the TCCC
✓ Meet one to three times weekly with your class at the TCCC (60-120 minute courses)
✓ Provide class materials such as:
  o Syllabus
  o Reading Schedule
  o Class agendas
  o Vocabulary lists
  o Other handouts (terms, supplemental materials, historical context, timeline, etc.)
  o Homework assignments (reading, discussion questions, etc.)

We look forward to reading your applications!

Sincerely,

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