Adjunct Faculty Hiring
ACADEMIC DEAN’S OFFICE

The University of California Hastings College of the Law (“UC Hastings”) was founded in 1878 as the law department of the University of California and was the first law school in California. UC Hastings serves society as a center of higher learning committed to exceptional teaching, influential scholarship, and exemplary public service. We provide a rigorous, innovative, and inclusive legal education that prepares diverse students to excel as professionals, advance the rule of law, and further justice. UC Hastings is seeking candidates for appointment as Adjunct Assistant Professor of Law. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Our adjunct faculty members constitute a critical part of our teaching staff and reflect the rich array of opportunities available to our students upon graduation. They include judges, regulators, partners at leading plaintiff and defense firms, corporate and in-house counsel, prosecutors and public defenders, arbitrators and mediators, and directors of legal services organizations. They serve as instructors and as bridges to practice for our students who look to them as role models and sources of inspiration.

UC Hastings is particularly interested in receiving applications from adjunct faculty candidates who reflect the breadth and diversity of the legal profession in the San Francisco Bay Area. We encourage candidates to send an optional statement addressing past and/or potential contributions to diversity through research, teaching, and/or service.

Specifically, UC Hastings is looking for adjunct faculty to help staff the following areas of the curriculum:

- Legal ethics and professional responsibility (including criminal litigation ethics)
- Data privacy
- Global health
- Reproductive justice
- Racial justice
- Law practice management (starting and running a law practice)
- Deposition discovery
- Electronic discovery
- Construction law
- Real estate transactions
- Venture capital and emerging business representation (as part of our Startup Legal Garage)
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Corporate finance
- Native American/Indian Law
- Public lands and natural resources
- Environmental justice
- International commercial arbitration

In addition, we hope to expand our upper division criminal law offerings, including policing and accountability, comparative criminal law, cybercrimes, and factual investigation.
We are also looking for adjunct faculty to help supervise externship placements or teach a companion one-unit seminar focusing on skills training, self-reflection, and the role of lawyers in society. Similarly, the College is always grooming new faculty to teach small sections of legal writing, advanced legal writing, contract drafting, and negotiation. Finally, we are always eager to train practitioners to help provide 1-1 advising to students on legal analysis and legal writing as part of our Legal Writing Resource Center or our Office of Academic Skills Instruction and Support.

Applicants must have a JD and have passed a bar exam; at least five years of practice experience; a strong academic background; and a commitment to modeling the highest of professional standards as well as to teaching law. No prior teaching experience is required, but the College's practice is to vet and mentor aspiring new faculty by first asking them to deliver guest lectures. Interested persons should send a cover letter, resume, and description of teaching interests and experience via email to Director of Academic Program Services Maria Burgos at burgosm@uchastings.edu. Applicants are also encouraged to send an optional statement addressing past and/or potential contributions to diversity through research, teaching, and/or service.

Successful candidates will teach courses mutually agreed upon during the fall, spring, and/or summer academic terms. Note that curricular needs vary over time. Compensation is based on course load and experience. Adjunct faculty and lecturers are supervised and evaluated by the Academic Dean of the College. Salary Range: $1,644.75 – $2,083.35 / course unit, depending on experience teaching at the College.

Federal law requires employers to provide reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities. Please contact Human Resources if you require a reasonable accommodation to apply for a job. Examples of reasonable accommodation include making a change to the application process, providing documents in an alternate format, using a sign language interpreter, or using specialized equipment.

UC Hastings College of the Law is an equal opportunity employer. UC Hastings strives to provide a diverse and inclusive educational environment that fosters cultural awareness, mutual understanding and respect. UC Hastings College of the Law is interested in candidates who will contribute to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education through their teaching. Qualified women and members of underrepresented minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.