DEVELOPING STRATEGIES FOR PUBLISHING AND INTERVIEWING

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1. APPLICATION MATERIALS AND JOB AD : a few notes
2. THE INTERVIEW
3. PUBLISHING
APPLICATION MATERIALS
JOB AD

• READ IT, MANY TIMES

• RESEARCH THE INSTITUTION, COLLEGE, DEPARTMENT, PEOPLE

• DECIDE HOW WIDE / NARROW YOU WANT YOUR JOB SEARCH TO BE
INTERVIEW

• **You have an interview! Congratulations!!!**

• **Prepare yourself to act as the “live” version of the ideal colleague presented in your materials**
  
  • **Review your materials**
  
  • **Do some extra research**
  
  • **Prepare for as many questions as possible, rehearse, and practice**
Dissertation/Research
• Please describe your research/dissertation, its contribution to the field, and the publications associated with the work.
• What are your publication plans for the next five years?

Research
• Describe your research. What direction do you plan to take with your research?
• What is your research agenda?
• At what point in the dissertation process are you? Do you have a defense date?
• What is the most significant piece of research that you have read in the last year?
• How do you see your work fitting into the work we do here at the department?
• Your current research requires more technological support than this institution is able to provide. How will you deal with this?
• What do you envision for creating a research program here?
• Do you plan to apply for research funding?
• What is the funding record of your field?
• We see that you have done a lot of conference papers and presentations; we have limited research funding here to support that kind of travel. How will you adapt to that?
Teaching

• What is your philosophy of foreign language teaching
• What courses would you like to teach (tailor to institution)
• Describe two courses you would develop
• Tell us how you would teach [Intro Course X]
• Tell us how you would teach [Course X in your field] (courses they already have, at the intro and advanced level)
• How would you mentor (graduate) students?
• Which textbooks do you use now? Do you like it?
• Which textbook would you suggest for…? Why?
• Which approaches do you use in elementary language teaching/other subject
• What factors influence the approach you choose?
• What is your experience with computer assisted instruction in the language classroom? Technology in the classroom?
• How would you design an undergraduate course in your specialty? Which texts would you include?
• How would you design a graduate course in your specialty? Which texts would you include?
• How does your research influence your teaching?
• How would you mentor (graduate) students?
Extra-academic activities

- What non-or extra-academic activities would you be interested in sponsoring or participating in?
- Experience in outreach?
- Ideas for student recruitment?

Random

- How and what can you contribute to our faculty? Our school? How do you fit with the faculty in our department?
- What attracted you to this job?
- We notice you were trained at a large public institution. How do you feel you'll fit in at a small liberal arts institution like ours?
- We have a large teaching load here—four classes a term. How would you manage this and still stay productive in research and writing?
PUBLISHING

• REJECTION IS PART OF THE GAME
LAST TIPS

• SET A DEADLINE

• TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF
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THANK YOU!
GOOD LUCK TO YOU!