Instructor needed for GEOG 217 – Cities in the Modern World

GEOG 217 is an introduction to urban geography. It uses a geographic perspective to understand cities, and the economic, political, social and cultural processes that shape them. The class is divided into two parts. The first part focuses on the historical growth of city systems, the development and internal structures of "industrial" cities, and the origin of the field of 'urban planning'. The second part concentrates on contemporary urban development across a range of cities, particularly in the global south, with special attention to concepts of social justice, inequality, and urbanization.

The course is comprised of thirteen weeks of teaching (typically 2 times 1.5 hours per week), and usually has several tests and a final examination. The course will be taught with a co-instructor (50%-50%), Professor Benjamin Forest. You will be responsible for half the teaching, course management, and grading activities in the course.

Salary: $4,110 (may increase due to new collective agreement)

Term: Winter 2021 semester

Qualifications: We are looking for an instructor with a PhD or other advanced degree in Geography or other allied field to teach GEOG 217 Cities in the Modern World. This course, or an equivalent course, is a required course for all Geography majors.

Depending on the number of students enrolled in the course there will be one or two teaching assistants assigned to assist the course instructor.

Please note that given the current circumstances and the lack of certainty with regards to the resumption of in-person teaching activities, this course may be required to be taught in part or entirely remotely or in part or entirely in person. Confirmation of primary mode of teaching for the Winter semester for specific courses in a Faculty/School will be announced at the latest by the end of October 2020. The course lecturer may be required to prepare and deliver teaching material suited to a remote/online teaching environment using a virtual learning platform [e.g., Zoom, WebEx] and the McGill myCourses learning management system. Training and assistance on remote teaching is available through Teaching and Learning Services. Course Lecturers are encouraged to record their lectures.

Please apply by email with a letter of interest explaining how you think the course should be designed and a copy of your CV to Marisa Mastroberardino (marisa.mastroberardino@mcgill.ca), Administrative Assistant, Department of Geography, McGill University by October 15, 2020.