

Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Union Commonwealth University seeks applicants for a 9-month full-time faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor of Computer Science, with appointment beginning in the Fall 2026 semester. Candidates must possess a minimum of a Ph.D. in Computer Science or closely related field (or equivalent terminal degree). Preference will be given to candidates with a terminal degree in computer science and a master's degree in a different discipline.

The individual hired for this position will serve a pivotal role in the growth of new technology-based academic programs at the University. This year, the University created a new College of Business & Technology with the goal of significantly growing offerings in computer information systems, computer science, data science, analytics, cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and related fields. Some of these programs will be offered via internal instruction, while others will be offered in cooperation with RIZE Education, an external partner who will supplement Union's offerings with additional coursework and degree pathways.

We seek a student-centered teacher who is excited about dynamic pedagogy. The position will teach undergraduate computer science courses, including Introduction to Computer Science; Programming I and II (specifically including Python); Discrete Structures; Data Structures and Algorithms; Computer Organization/Architecture; Operating Systems; and Software Engineering. Depending on area of expertise, they may also cover systems, data, and theory subjects such as Databases and Data Management, Computer Networks, Theory of Computation/Automata, and, as needed, Programming Languages/Compilers. Comfortable familiarity with educational technologies is a plus, and a student-centered pedagogical approach is a must.

Union faculty are also responsible for student advising, service to the institution, active participation in the life of the campus, and ongoing professional development.

Screening of applicants will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the contact information for three professional references to:

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Founded in 1879, Union is a small, liberal-arts institution located in southeastern Kentucky. Union boasts a long commitment to Appalachia, providing quality education to a wide range of students from across the world, while maintaining a focus on the underserved and marginalized, especially first-generation college students.