DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

Temporary Faculty Position (Lecturer)
In Educational Leadership & Special Education
Addition to the Pool for 2014-2015

Refer to 103729 on all correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

THE UNIVERSITY
Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University. Located in the Sonoma County wine country, 48 miles north of San Francisco, the University has an enrollment of approximately 9,000 students. As of spring 2013, the University had 497 faculty with 47% tenure-track. The University is comprised of six schools: Arts and Humanities, Business and Economics, Education, Extended and International Education, Social Sciences, and Science and Technology. Degrees are offered in 45 majors at the bachelor's level and 16 at the master's level. Sonoma State University occupies 274 acres in the beautiful wine country of Sonoma County, in Northern California. Located at the foot of the Sonoma hills, the campus is just an hour’s drive north of San Francisco and 40 minutes away from the Pacific Ocean.

THE SCHOOL
The School of Education, a professional school established in 1986, is dedicated to the education and development of new and experienced teachers, administrators, and other school specialists. Programs in the School of Education prepare students for basic teaching credentials in multiple subjects (elementary/middle level) and single subjects (middle level/secondary) and special education; advanced certification in reading and language arts; service credentials in leadership; and a variety of certificates. In addition, the School of Education offers a master’s degree in Education with concentrations in educational leadership; curriculum, teaching, and learning; early childhood education; reading and language education; special education; and TESOL. The School of Education also offers a joint doctoral program in educational leadership with UC Davis. The School currently has 20 tenured/tenure track faculty and a number of adjunct faculty serving 600 basic credential candidates, the vast majority of whom are post-baccalaureate, and 200 graduate students. The School of Education is fully accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC). Prospective applicants are encouraged to see the School’s website at www.sonoma.edu/education

THE DEPARTMENT
Educational Leadership and Special Education is seeking adjunct faculty to be part of an innovative program for the preparation of special educators. Small class size and a collaborative spirit among our special education faculty contribute to a distinctive climate of community among students, faculty, and professionals in the surrounding school districts.

According to current California credentialing regulations, we offer the Preliminary Education Specialist Credential in the areas of Mild/Moderate (M/M) and Moderate/Severe (M/S)
Disabilities. The credential in M/M Disabilities authorizes the teaching of individuals with specific learning disabilities, autism, intellectual disability, other health impairment, and emotional disturbance; whereas, the credential in M/S Disabilities authorizes the teaching of individuals with autism, intellectual disability, deaf-blindness, emotional disturbance, and multiple disabilities. Special education teaching authorization extends from kindergarten through grade twelve, as well as adults, in special day class and resource specialist programs. An Education Specialist Intern program is also offered, as is a master’s degree program. Prospective applicants are encouraged to see the department’s web page at: http://www.sonoma.edu/else
Course descriptions may be viewed here: http://www.sonoma.edu/catalog/13-14/11edsp.pdf

DUTIES OF THE POSITION

- Part-time instruction in our Education Specialist Credential Program courses
- And/or supervise student teachers and interns in special education classrooms
- Participate in program assessment data collection as requested or required
- Participate in periodic department and school-wide meetings and functions
- Utilize SSU’s online learning management system as appropriate

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

To be recommended for appointment to the pool, the candidate must have:

Minimum Qualifications:

- M.A. degree in special education or a closely related discipline
- Three years of experience teaching students with special needs in the K-22 system
- Advanced study in the relevant field and/or experience supervising student teachers
- Demonstrated currency in educational theory and practice.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Earned doctorate in special education or related discipline
- University-level teaching experience
- Expertise in a specialized area in special education (RTI; Positive Behavioral Supports; Autism)
- Experience with culturally and/or linguistically diverse learners

RANK AND SALARY

Full-time is 15-unit workload per semester. Actual salary is dependent upon number of units assigned, educational preparation, and availability of funds subject to any CSU system faculty contract salary increases.

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit:

- Application letter indicating courses/topics you are qualified to teach
- Curriculum vitae
- Two current letters of recommendation
- Names/titles/telephone numbers of three references

OPTIONAL

- Copies of research papers and publications
- Unofficial graduate transcripts
- Current teaching evaluation
- Statement of research interests

Official transcripts are required at the time of hire.
Application procedures for temporary faculty already teaching in the department:
- Temporary Faculty with three-year contracts do not need to reapply.
- Temporary Faculty who have taught for the department within the past two years need only submit a letter of intent to remain in the pool. The hiring committee will review the Personnel Action File and then determine whether an additional interview would be beneficial.

Sonoma State is required to collect and report race and ethnicity data to comply with State, Federal, and University reporting requirements. Please complete the Voluntary Self-Identification Form and email it to facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee’s identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act. Sonoma State University does not facilitate the process of applying for an H1B Visa for temporary positions.

Please email all application documents to facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All application materials should be emailed to facultysearch@sonoma.edu by Friday, April 18, 2014.

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:

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103729 PLEASE REFER TO THIS NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES REGARDING THIS POSITION.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The University is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate against persons on the basis of age, disability, disabled veteran or Vietnam-era veteran status, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, or sexual orientation.

MANDATED REPORTING REQUIREMENT

This position is considered a “mandated reporter” under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

Jeanne Clery Act – Annual Security Report
Sonoma State University's Annual Security Report includes statistics for the previous three years
concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by Sonoma State University and on the public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, alcohol/drug use, crime prevention, reporting of crimes, sexual assault and other matters. You can download a copy of this report by accessing the Police and Parking Services web site: Jeanne Clery Act - Annual Security Report, or receive a copy by contacting Police and Parking Services at (707) 664-2143.

**Campus Housing Fire Safety Report**
Sonoma State University’s Annual Campus Housing Fire Safety Report, in compliance with The Campus Fire Safety Right-to-Know Act, contains information about fire statistics, fire safety systems, and safety practices and standards for campus housing. The Campus Housing Fire Safety Report is available at the Housing Services website or you can contact Housing Services at (707) 664-2541 to receive printed information or additional information.