DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP
AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

Temporary Faculty Position (Visiting Assistant Professor)
One Year Full-Time, (academic year 2016-2017)

Refer to 104112 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 DEPARTMENT

Educational Leadership and Special Education is seeking a visiting professor 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 and Clear/Induction Education Specialist Credentials 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

DUTIES OF THE POSITION

The primary duties of the successful candidate include:

• Teaching courses in the Education Specialist Credential Programs, and in the Master of Arts Program
• Supervising student teachers and intern teachers in special education classrooms
Duties include teaching, advising, and departmental administrative responsibilities. Duties are 12 units of teaching per semester, and three units of departmental administrative work.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

To be recommended for appointment, the candidate must have an Ed.D or Ph.D in Special Education or a related discipline (e.g. school psychology, educational psychology). An M.A. or M.S. degree may be adequate if the candidate also has a special education teaching credential. Additional requirements are three years of documented successful experience working in schools/programs directly serving individuals with mild, moderate or severe disabilities; broad and deep knowledge of current theory, conceptual issues, and evidence-based practices related to special and general education; knowledge and skills to collaborate effectively with special and general teacher education programs and other agencies; experience and expertise in addressing the needs of children and families from diverse linguistic, cultural and economic backgrounds. Desired qualifications include university-level teaching experience; experience in a specialized area in special education (RTI; Positive Behavioral Supports; Autism; inclusive educational settings; educational technology, with knowledge of assistive and augmentative devices); experience in preparing or mentoring teachers in pre-service and in-service programs, including induction; experience in collaborating with local school programs and human service agencies.

RANK AND SALARY

Salary range is approximately $50,000 - $55,000.

HOW TO APPLY

Do not send materials to facultysearch@sonoma.edu. To apply for this position, go to www.sonoma.edu/jobs and select Job Opportunities. If you are not currently employed at Sonoma State University, select the External Applicants box. You will be redirected to a list of all available jobs at Sonoma State University. Find and select the faculty position you are applying for to view the description and select Apply Now. If you have not applied for a job at Sonoma State University previously you will be asked to Register Now in order to proceed. After attaching the cover letter and curriculum vitae as one document, please proceed to complete and submit the application. Once you have submitted your application, a confirmation email will be automatically sent to you. To attach the additional required documents go to My Career Tools in your Careers Home page. Your statement of research interests may be a statement of scholarship and/or creative activity if appropriate to your discipline. If you encounter difficulties during the application process, please email facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

Please submit:

Required
- Cover letter
- Curriculum vitae
Additional Required Documents (My Career Tools)
- Contact Information for 3 References

Letters of Recommendation will be requested from finalists only.

Official transcripts may be required at the time of hire.

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 does not facilitate the process of applying for an H1B Visa for temporary positions.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The deadline to apply to this position is by March 18, 2016.

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:

Dr. Jennifer Mahdavi, Department and Search Committee Chair
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Questions concerning the application process may be directed to: facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

104112 - PLEASE REFER TO THIS NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES REGARDING THIS POSITION.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.

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.

**BACKGROUND CHECK**
Successful candidate is required to complete a background check prior to assuming this position.

**SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS**
Sonoma State University is proud to be a smoke-free campus within the California State University System. Effective July 1, 2015, Smoking and other uses of tobacco products, such as smokeless tobacco, the use of e-cigarettes and similar devices, are prohibited on Sonoma State owned, controlled or leased property, as well as in vehicles owned, leased, or rented by the University, parking lots and residential space. View Benefits Summary

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