

Assistant/Associate Professor in Literacy - Generalist
Illinois State University
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Position Announcement: 01563

Illinois State University, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, is pleased to announce a tenure track position for an Assistant or Associate professor specializing as a Literacy Generalist beginning August 15, 2008. The Department seeks a colleague with the potential for strong teaching and research skills to join its growing faculty. The candidate's primary teaching responsibility would be teaching such undergraduate courses as basic literacy methods and assessment. At the graduate level, teaching responsibilities might include courses in literacy theory and research. Senior faculty are encouraged to apply.

Along with teaching and research responsibilities, the candidate should be able to develop and maintain collaborative partnerships with public school professionals, providing them with professional development and support. Other expectations include university and community service and active participation in state, national, and international professional organizations.

Required Qualifications

- Terminal degree or ABD with completion date prior to faculty appointment
- Minimum of 2 years K-12 teaching experience
- Demonstrated potential for scholarly research
- Experience in teaching Literacy Methods

Preferred Qualifications

- Established research agenda
- Experience working with and mentoring graduate students
- Experience teaching and supervising students preparing to teach in K-12 settings
- Knowledge of technology and its role in literacy education
- Experience with obtaining external funding sources
- Experience in providing professional development to teachers

The Department

The Department of Curriculum and Instruction has approximately 40 full-time equivalent faculty offering teacher education programs primarily at the undergraduate level, and also including graduate, and doctoral levels. The faculty is committed to advancing teacher education at the state, national, and international levels.

The literacy faculty is dynamic, innovative, and energetic and working with other program faculty in teaching and research are able to provide a comprehensive teacher education program that is nationally recognized. The literacy graduate courses are aligned to the standards of the International Reading Association, recognized by NCATE, and approved by the Illinois State Board of Education.

The University Community

Illinois State University is a doctoral granting institution with an enrollment of over 20,000 students. Illinois State is Illinois' first public university, founded in 1857 and celebrating its sesquicentennial this year, thus making it an exciting time on campus with renewed energy and enthusiasm on the part of both students and faculty.

The University is located in Normal/Bloomington, Illinois, a community of over 100,000 at the crossroads of the Midwest. Along with the many opportunities for cultural and social activities in the area, Normal/Bloomington is only a 2-3 hour drive from the larger cities of Chicago, St. Louis, and Indianapolis.

Application Process

Initial review of applications will begin November, 2007. To assure full consideration, submit a letter listing five references (with names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses), and a curriculum vita. Materials should be sent to Ms. Evelyn DiNardi, Search Committee Secretary, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, Campus Box 5330, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois 61790-5330. Candidates must state the position number for which they are applying.

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