American Sign Language (ASL) Faculty Specialist (I or II) Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences

Western Michigan University invites applications and nominations for the position of American Sign Language (ASL) Faculty Specialist I or II in the Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences. The ideal candidate is a person who displays strong leadership skills in academic education, program coordination, and community engagement. This is a term, full-time, fiscal-year (12-months) position, with an expected start date of May 1, 2020.

**Primary Responsibilities:**

- Curriculum development
- ASL instruction at multiple levels
- ASL program coordination
- Development of the ASL program and enhancement of its visibility
- Cultivate connections with the Deaf community
- Engagement in faculty governance procedures through service at the Department, College, and University levels

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- Bachelor’s degree
- 3 years of ASL teaching experience at the post-secondary level with evidence of teaching excellence
- Evidence of ASL proficiency
- Evidence of knowledge, connection, and appreciation of Deaf culture

**Desired Qualifications:**

- Experience working with diverse student populations
- Graduate degree in a related field
- An established record of teaching excellence across multiple levels of ASL including Deaf culture at the post-secondary level
- Experience developing and implementing outreach programs with the Deaf community
- Experience in program coordination and curriculum development

**Required Applicant Documents:**

- Cover letter highlighting your qualifications, accomplishments, and professional experiences related to the position
Additional Position Information:

The University: Western Michigan University, a learner centered, discovery driven and globally engaged public research university, enrolls more than 23,000 students from 100 nations around the globe. WMU has been designated by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as one of just 50 universities recognized for high levels of both research activity and community engagement.

The College: The College of Health and Human Services is located in a 195,000 square foot building with state-of-the-art teaching technologies and spacious research laboratories. The college enrolls nearly 3,000 students, with more than a third of those at the graduate level. In addition to the Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences, the college includes programs in blindness and low vision studies, nursing, occupational therapy, physician assistant, social work, holistic health care, alcohol and drug abuse, interdisciplinary health services, public health, physical therapy, and a Ph.D. in interdisciplinary health sciences. The college has received several grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and the Department of Education. The college also operates the Unified Clinics, a multidisciplinary service/training clinic. Learn more about our growing college at http://www.wmich.edu/hhs.

The Department: The Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences enrolls approximately 60 students in the two-year M.A. program in speech-language pathology, 24 students in the doctoral (AuD) program in audiology, 130 undergraduate majors, and 109 undergraduate minors in American Sign Language (ASL). There are currently over two hundred students enrolled in ASL courses which help meet the University’s new essential studies requirement in World Language and Culture. The Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences faculty are engaged in active research with students, classroom and clinical teaching through the on-campus Van Riper Language, Speech, and Hearing Clinics, and service to the university and professions. Opportunities exist for interprofessional collaborations within the College, across the University, and across the greater Kalamazoo community.

Salary: Competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience, with an excellent benefits package.

Expected Start Date: May 1, 2020

To Apply: Review of applications will begin on January 6, 2020, and continue until position is filled.

Please visit http://wmich.edu/hr/jobs, posting #0605237, for detailed information and application procedures.
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