Project Specialist (SPARK), Bilingual Spanish

Recruitment #: S2292 - INTERNAL APPLICANTS ONLY-
Review Date: Immediate review | Open until filled
Department: The Research Institute
Salary Rate: $63,745 - $71,060

Position Summary:
Project Specialists participate as members of a collaborative team working on a variety of projects within the TRI’s Center on Early Learning and Youth Development (CELYD). Project Specialists provide a continuum of services and products across the early learning system in Oregon. CELYD engages in Early Learning and/or Youth Development at the state level which requires a specialized knowledge and skills as well as an ability to navigate change, emergent needs and the expectations of system work. Project Specialists are expected to use culturally responsive, innovative best practices across a variety of duties including; program and process development, systems collaboration, change and alignment, program assessment and observation, system communications, leadership and facilitation, and training and technical assistance.

Bilingual Spark Early Learning Specialists will engage and support early learning system partners who provide services to early educators who speak languages other than English as well provide translation and interpretation in a culturally responsive manner. Bilingual staff may be asked to use both languages across all duties and activities as needed. Bilingual staff will provide translation and interpretation in a culturally responsive manner as needed for this position. Bilingual staff may be asked to use both languages across all duties and activities as needed. Bilingual staff will provide translation and interpretation in a culturally responsive manner as needed for this position.

Click here for the complete position description which includes knowledge areas and preferred qualifications.

Minimum Requirements:
● Proficient oral and written communication skills in English & Spanish
● Combination of experience and education equivalent to a Bachelor’s degree and 3 years of experience related to the duties of the position
● Experience working with and/or communicating with system partners
● Ability to be flexible and adapt to changes and emergent needs
● Ability to manage a variety of tasks and produce high quality work under tight deadlines
● Ability to communicate with a wide variety of individuals and groups, including providers, work team, program personnel, and administrators from diverse backgrounds

Women, Black, Indigenous and People of Color, veterans, people who identify as LGBTQ+, and people with disabilities are highly encouraged to apply for this position, even if they do not meet qualifications exactly as listed. We are most interested in finding the best person to fulfill this role within our university community, and that candidate may be someone with transferable skills and experience rather than exact qualifications.

Required Application materials: You may submit all materials online at www.wou.edu/prostaffapp
1. WOU Employment Application form available here - unclassified/faculty
2. Cover Letter that addresses your qualifications for the position
3. Resume

**Additional Application information:**
Contact information for three professional references will be requested from finalists. Western Oregon University only considers visa support for Tenure Track employees placed in specialized positions that are continuing regular university appointments for multiple years.

**Background/Education Check:**
A criminal background check will be completed as a condition of employment. Education checks are processed for positions requiring a formal degree as a minimum requirement.

**Employee COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement:**
All WOU students and employees are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. All newly hired employees must meet the vaccination requirement or file an exemption prior to their first day of employment.

**Benefits:**
Western Oregon University offers an excellent benefits package for eligible employees which includes 95% premium paid healthcare, a generous retirement and vacation package, and reduced tuition rates for employee, spouse or dependent at any of the Oregon Public Universities. [http://www.wou.edu/hr/benefits/](http://www.wou.edu/hr/benefits/)

**Equal Employment Opportunity:**
Western Oregon University is an equal opportunity employer that is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion in the workplace. We celebrate our inclusive work environment and encourage people of all backgrounds and perspectives to apply. We embrace our differences, and know that our diverse team is a strength that drives our success.

Western Oregon University is committed to developing a barrier-free recruitment process and work environment. If you require any accommodations, please email us at employment[at]wou.edu and we will work with you to meet your accessibility needs.

Please note that due to the volume of resumes received, we are unable to contact each applicant regarding the status of each position or reply to candidates’ inquiries via phone or email.