



## Administrative Program Assistant: WOU Salem & OL

**Recruitment #:** S2486  
**Review Date:** Immediate review | Open until filled  
**Department:** Graduate Studies  
**Salary Rate:** \$3218 - \$4800 [[Salary Steps](#)]

### About Western Oregon University:

Western Oregon University is a regional public, mid-sized university – committed to changing lives, strengthening communities and transforming our world. Located in Monmouth, the heart of Oregon's lush Willamette Valley, WOU is about 20 minutes from Salem, the state's capital and about 75 minutes from Portland, the state's cultural hub.

Western is one of Oregon's oldest public institutions of higher education and was incorporated into the state system as a teacher training institution in 1882. The university offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in arts and sciences, education and professional areas. It's known for small class sizes, a focus on sustainability and a diverse liberal arts education in a student-centered environment. Western is an emerging Hispanic Serving institution, with 41% of undergraduates being students of color.

### Position Summary:

The Administrative Program Assistant position serves as the primary staff support for WOU downtown Salem campus located in the Vick Building. The role provides essential administrative coordination for the campus, ensuring smooth operation of activities, events, and services. A key focus is supporting WOU's graduate programs, with an emphasis on providing accessible and relevant academic offerings to working adult students. Responsibilities include managing day-to-day building operations, coordinating academic and student services, assisting with program logistics, and fostering an inclusive, supportive environment that aligns with WOU's mission of expanding educational access.

**Western Oregon University provides visa support exclusively for Tenure Track employees in specialized positions with ongoing, long-term university appointments. This position does not qualify as specialized and is, therefore, not eligible for visa support.**

[Click here](#) for the complete position description which includes knowledge areas and preferred qualifications.

### Required Qualifications:

- Three years of office experience which included two years at full performance level and experience generating documents; **and**
- Lead work responsibility or coordination of office procedures.

**Required Application materials:** You may submit all materials online at [www.wou.edu/prostaffapp](http://www.wou.edu/prostaffapp)

1. WOU Employment Application form [available here](#) - classified
2. Cover Letter that addresses your qualifications for the position.
3. Resume

Western Oregon University is looking for equity-minded applicants who demonstrate a sensitivity to and appreciation for the complexity of the world. We draw our strength as a community from our variety of backgrounds, abilities, cultural experiences, identities, knowledge domains and means of expression. Women, Black, Indigenous and people of color, veterans, people who identify as LGBTQIA+, and people with disabilities are highly encouraged to apply for this position. All interested individuals are encouraged to apply even if they do not meet every one of the preferred qualifications listed.

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.

**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/>

**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.

**Accommodation Requests:**

Western Oregon University is committed to developing a barrier-free recruitment process and work environment. If you would like to request disability-related accommodation(s) to participate in a WOU activity or event, please complete the [online request form](#) at least three (3) business days in advance. If you have questions, contact Disability Services (ODS) at 503-838-8250 or [ods@wou.edu](mailto:ods@wou.edu).

**Veterans Preference**

Applicants are eligible to use Veterans' Preference when applying with Western Oregon University in accordance with ORS 408.225, 408.230 and 408.235; and OAR 105-040-0010 and 105-040-0015. Preference will be given only if the applicant meets the minimum criteria of the position and electronically attach the required documentation at the time of application. For information regarding Veterans' Preference qualifications, visit <http://www.oregonjobs.org/DAS/STJOBS/vetpoints.shtml>

To stay informed about the progress of this search, we invite and encourage you to explore our career page at [wou.edu/hr/employment/jobs/](http://wou.edu/hr/employment/jobs/). Unfortunately, due to the volume, it is challenging for us to offer individual updates on the status of each application, and for that, we sincerely regret any inconvenience. We thank you for your patience and interest in employment at Western Oregon University.