POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Position Title: AWRI Education Specialist

Summary:
Provides oversight of AWRI’s vessel based and K-12 classroom education programs, including program development, oversight of instructional personnel, and classroom facility. The position reports directly to the AWRI Director.

Required Qualifications and Education:
- Master's degree in a field related to aquatic science (biology, environmental science, natural resources, limnology) or education (science education)
- Organizational and time management skills necessary to be responsible for multiple concurrent projects
- Demonstrated oral and written communication skills
- Experience working in a collaborative, interdisciplinary setting
- Successful organization and delivery of professional development for educators
- Development of curriculum aligned with science standards
- Supervisory skills to manage the science education staff and interns
- Proven ability to teach, communicate, and present science effectively to a variety of audiences, including teachers, the general public, college students, and K-12 students
- Demonstrated publication or curriculum development record in science and/or science education or equivalent
- Successful track record in grant development, grant reporting, and project management

Preferred Qualifications and Education:
- K-12 Teacher Certification
- Three to five years of teaching experience in K-12 formal or informal education

Responsibilities – Essential Functions:
- Supervise the science instructors who deliver programs onboard the AWRI vessels and provide oversight of the educational component of these programs
- Supervise the delivery of programs in the R. B. Annis Educational Foundation classroom
- Develop curriculum that is aligned with science standards for the vessel program, classroom, and educator professional development workshops
- Collaborate with AWRI scientists on multidisciplinary projects and provide educational expertise as they address the broader impacts of their research
- Design, organize, and deliver teacher professional development workshops
• Craft and deliver scientifically accurate presentations and activities for a range of audiences
• Teach outreach programs at AWRI and on campus classes as needed
• Mentor college and high school interns
• Foster relationships with on campus, community entities, and professional organizations
• Attract extramural funding for outreach education programs
• Make presentations and have displays at workshops and conferences both locally and nationally as well as at community events such as water festivals and earth day celebrations
• Provide general professional support for AWRI as needed especially as it relates to outreach and education
• Stay current in science education and aquatic science literature
• Ability to work and communicate effectively and professionally with the general public, funding agencies, and donors.

Responsibilities – Non-Essential Functions:
None

Salary: Commensurate with experience, not to exceed $45,000 per year.

Department/Division: Annis Water Resources Institute/College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Campus: Lake Michigan Center, Muskegon

How To Apply: Apply online at jobs.gvsu.edu and select “Apply now”. Please include a cover letter, resume, and a 1-page description of your vision for the AWRI education program. The online application will allow you to attach these documents electronically. On the application, you will be required to provide names, phone numbers, and e-mail address for three professional references. Applicants selected for interviews will be required to submit official transcripts prior to the interview. If you need assistance, call Human Resources at 616-331-2215. Please contact Alan Steinman, AWRI Director, if you have questions regarding AWRI or the position responsibilities (steinmaa@gvsu.edu).

Application Deadline: Consideration of applications will begin immediately and the posting may be closed at any time at the discretion of the University.