SCHOOL OF EDUCATION - UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST

BEACON DEADLINE: The deadline for Beacon announcements is 3:30 p.m. on Monday, due in Room 124, Furcolo Hall or to zinna@educ.umass.edu. All assistantships will run for two issues unless otherwise indicated. Examinations and dissertation proposals run for only one issue.

ATTENTION! The Beacon is available on-line at: http://www.umass.edu/education/publications/beacon.pdf If you have problems accessing this link, go to the School of Education home page, click on publications and then click on Beacon.

SPRING 05 ASSISTANTSHIPS AVAILABLE (by department)

Dean’s Office
No positions available this week.

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Educational Policy, Research and Administration
No positions available this week.

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Student Development and Pupil Personnel Services
No positions available this week.

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Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies

PROJECT ASSISTANTSHIP - STEP Bridges to the Future
Spring 2005. Part-time (10hrs/wk)

Responsibilities include: to work as administrative assistant in the STEP Bridges to the Future program, assisting in admission process, including contacting applicants and working with schools to organize interview/recruitment day, graduation and orientation for next fall. Some travel to Athol and Orange will be required.

Qualifications: computer skills and ability to work with faculty in schools.
To apply, please contact: Dr. Barbara Madeloni at 577-0495 or email madeloni@educ.umass.edu.

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PROJECT ASSISTANTSHIP – Pioneer Valley STEMNET
Spring 2005. Part-time (10 hrs/wk)

Responsibilities include: assist the program director in developing and implementing programs; creating materials for teacher use; and maintaining communications among teachers using WebCT.

Qualifications: Middle or high school teaching experience. Experience with professional development of novice teachers.
To apply, please contact Allan Feldman, 230 Furcolo Hall, at afeldman@educ.umass.edu
Application deadline: January 24, 2005

Availability is contingent upon funding.

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RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP IN TECS – Bridges to the Future Secondary Teacher Preparation Program.

Spring 2005 - One part-time (10 hours per week)

This position is a Field Coordinator position to work with student teachers in the Athol/Orange community.

Responsibilities include: Working with agencies in Athol and Orange to coordinate CSL placements for 20 student teachers; facilitating meetings between the agency and the student teachers; basic supervision during CSL placement and weekly contact.

Qualifications include: excellent communication skills; significant experience and knowledge in the field of community service learning; familiarity and experience with student teaching programs; knowledge of the Athol/Orange area; flexibility to work with both student teacher and agency’s schedules. This position will require most of the work to be done on site in Athol and Orange.

To apply, please contact Dr. Linda Griffin, Room 113, Furcolo Hall (545.0246); email: lgriffin@educ.umass.edu.

Availability is contingent upon funding.

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PROJECT ASSISTANTSHIP – E-Teams

Spring 2005. Part-time (10 hours) or full-time (20 hours)

Responsibilities include: website research and data management for the Virtual Reference Room project, assisting in the coordination of the E-teams project and work with 180 days teachers and interns on technology-related projects.

Qualifications include: Experience with computers and other information technologies; excellent organizational and communications skills and knowledge of K-12 schools.

To apply, please send letter of interest and resume to: Robert Maloy, Room 110 Furcolo Hall.

Availability is contingent upon funding.

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Thesis Formatting at UMass Amherst

Winter 2005

The Office of Information Technologies offers a workshop with detailed instructions on how to format a thesis to meet the requirements of the University of Massachusetts Graduate School with Microsoft Word for Windows. The workshop includes margins, footnotes, bibliographies, page numbering, headings, table of contents, etc.

Registration

Registration is required and is not complete until you have paid the $10 fee. To register, go to the Administrative Desk in A118 Lederle GRC (545-9730).

Microsoft Word for Windows

The course covers Microsoft Word XP (2003), Word 2000, or Word 97 on Windows. You need to tell us exactly which version of Word you are using when you register so we will have the appropriate course materials for you.

Wednesday, February 9, 2005 from 9 am – noon

Prerequisite

Working knowledge of your version of Microsoft Word for Windows and Windows.
Course materials on Web or disk
If you cannot attend the class, you may find the materials on the OIT Web site:
www.oit.umass.edu/workshops/tutorials.html
Although we no longer offer workshops for Word on the Macintosh and older versions of Word on Windows, the materials are still available. You may purchase a course packet from OIT for $5 plus tax. For information, send email to workshops@oit.umass.edu

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RefWorks Workshops ~ Intersession and Spring 2005
Offering Two Levels:
Preregistration is required. Email refworks@library.umass.edu
Location for all workshops: W.E.B. Du Bois Library, Calipari Room (Main Floor).

1. RefWorks Bibliography Basics for Undergraduates
We will cover how to access RefWorks, enter and organize references, and create quick bibliographies according to various citation styles (e.g. MLA or APA).
   - Wednesday, March 23, 4-5 PM
   - Tuesday, March 29, 4-5 PM

2. RefWorks for Graduate Students, Faculty and Other Advanced Researchers
Besides the fundamentals, we will create multiple accounts, populate and manipulate your database, convert Endnote libraries to RefWorks, import references from library databases, use RefWorks to retrieve articles and search catalogs, and create bibliographies in your preferred citation styles.
   - Monday, January 10, 4:30-6 PM
   - Wednesday, January 19, 10:30 am - 12 PM
   - Tuesday, January 25, 12:30 - 2 PM
   - Monday, February 7, 4 - 5:30 PM
   - Tuesday, February 9, 4 - 5:30 PM
   - Monday, March 7, 2:30 - 4 PM
   - Wednesday, March 9, 10:30 am - 12 PM
   - Wednesday, March 9, 6:30 - 8 PM
   - Tuesday, March 29, 6:30-8 PM
   - Monday, April 4, 4 - 5:30 PM
   - Tuesday, April 12, 4 - 5:30 PM
Preregistration is required. Email refworks@library.umass.edu
Location for all workshops: W.E.B. Du Bois Library, Calipari Room (Main Floor).

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Dissertation Writing Fellowship Program Summer 2005
Ashland University Ashland, Ohio Dates: June 6 - June 30, 2005

The Dissertation Writing Fellowship Program provides social and professional support to students from historically underrepresented groups in the writing of their dissertations. Ashland University will provide:

1. Full-time faculty will provide technical support and professional advice toward the writing of your dissertation. Note: Ashland faculty will not serve as replacement for your dissertation committee.
2. Introduce you to Ashland doctoral students and faculty who might share some of your interests.

3. Library research facilities and liaisons will be extended to you.

4. Place and time to write.

5. Each fellow and his/her family will be provided with on-campus housing and meals, as well as reimbursement for travel to and from Ashland.

Only candidates who are at the "writing dissertation" stages of their dissertations will be considered.

For further info contact: Lowell T. Smith at Tel: (410) 289-5298 or by e-mail: shardin@ashland.edu.

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