Program Assistantship
Department of Educational Policy, Research and Administration

A 5 hour/week program assistantship available for Spring 2015

Responsibilities include: assist the program coordinator with human subjects review initiatives related to the K-12 educational leadership concentration; assist evaluation journal editor with organizing reviewer lists.

Qualifications include: masters or doctoral student in the EPRA department who already holds at least a 10 hour assistantship. She or he should possess excellent programmatic, organizational, and management skills and be able to work independently. The candidate should possess strong writing skills. Preference is given to someone who is familiar with IRB procedures and concentration operations. Some knowledge of program evaluation is also preferred.

To apply, please send letter of interest and resume to Sharon Rallis (sharonr@educ.umass.edu) /
RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP
Department of Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies
NSF Noyce Project —Mathematics Education

10 hr/week research assistant position for spring 2015. The NSF Noyce project is looking to hire an exceptionally qualified research assistant with expertise in secondary mathematics education and experience working in secondary schools.

Responsibilities include working closely with the research team on multiple aspects of the project, including designing, implementing, and researching learning environments for in-service and pre-service teaching. Additional responsibilities may include but are not limited to, conducting lesson observations using a research protocol, facilitating professional learning community sessions with mathematics teachers, interviewing project participants, collecting and analyzing qualitative and quantitative data and general logistical operations associated with this large scale project.

Qualifications: Graduate student in the MSLT concentration. Background in mathematics teaching at the middle/high school level.

To apply: Send cover letter and resume and 2 letters of recommendation to Dr. Sandy Madden at smadden@educ.umass.edu

SPRING 2015 REGISTRATION REMINDER
If you are an active student in the College of Education remember to register for classes or Continuous Enrollment.

You must enroll yourself for the Continuous Enrollment course (GRADSCH 999, class # 17767) if you are not registered for any courses or credits before the end of add/drop, 2/2/15. If you are registered for fewer than 5 credits or Continuous Enrollment, health insurance is not automatic and you need to contact University Health Services for coverage Information (413-577-5192).

The Beacon deadline is FRIDAY

- Deadline for submissions is 5:00 P.M. Friday for inclusion in the following week’s issue.
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- Please submit notices of examinations and formation of dissertation committees to Kristin Tyler at ktyler@educ.umass.edu. These types of announcements will run for one week.
- Please submit announcements about departmental or concentration-related conferences, workshops, events and activities to dms@educ.umass.edu.
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The Center for Research on Families 
is now accepting applications for the 
2015-2016 FAMILY RESEARCH 
SCHOLARS PROGRAM 
Application Deadline: Friday, January 23, 2015 
Notification: February 13, 2015 
The Family Research Scholars Program provides selected UMass faculty with the time, technical expertise, peer mentorship, and national expert consultation to prepare a large grant proposal for their research support. 
What is Family Research? 
Family researchers at CRF study the functioning and structure of families, both human and animal. Researchers look at the influence of biological, social, cultural, and environmental factors on families, and how they impact the physical and mental health of family members. Family research is broadly defined as research on issues affecting families and thus encompasses all disciplines.

What can I expect? 
The program provides a course release, technical expertise and mentorship in order to produce and submit a major grant proposal for family research. Six selected faculty members participate in a year-long interdisciplinary seminar that includes presentations and discussions of the developing proposals, instruction on proposal submission and individualized methodology consultation. Each Scholar benefits from the ability to invite a national expert to campus who provides consultation on their specific project and a public lecture. 
For full details about the program & how to apply go to: umass.edu/family/scholars or contact: Wendy Varner wendy@sbs.umass.edu

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