FACULTY VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Instructor in Education (Specializing in Special Education)

Department: Education
Position: Full-time (10-month), instructor position (non-tenure track) position with complete benefit package; one year appointment with the possibility of renewal on a year-to-year basis.
Salary: Negotiable within the range established in the CBA ($36,000-$46,000)
Union Affiliation: MFPE
Posting Date: January 2022
Start Date: August 1, 2022

Description
The University of Montana Western Division of Education welcomes applicants for a full-time instructor specializing in Special Education. Primary responsibilities include teaching for undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students and coordinating the special education endorsement program. Teaching assignments could include courses in special education, inclusive instruction, and classroom management. Courses will be taught in both online and face-to-face formats. The successful candidate will work collaboratively with university faculty, staff, and students, demonstrate professionalism and a commitment to advising, and perform other departmental or university duties as assigned.

The University of Montana Western's mission statement: The University of Montana Western differentiates itself and achieves academic excellence by sustaining a culture of concentrated experiential education. All Montana Western faculty are therefore expected to create experiential learning environments where students take an active role in their own learning.

Required Qualifications
The successful candidate will:

- hold a Master’s degree in Special Education;
- have taught for three or more years in a P-12 setting;
- have demonstrated success teaching face-to-face and online courses at the post-secondary level;
- have demonstrated the ability to work well as a member of a team.

Preferred Qualifications
The successful candidate may:

- hold a doctorate in Special Education or a related field (ABD will be considered);
- have demonstrated leadership experience;
- hold an endorsement/certification in Special Education.
Application

Application materials should include a letter of interest responding to the position description, a statement of teaching philosophy (≤ 2 pages), a curriculum vitae including contact information for at least three professional references, and official or unofficial undergraduate and graduate transcripts. All application materials should be submitted as a SINGLE PDF file. Teaching evaluations may be requested at a later time. Official transcripts will be required at the time of hire. Application materials must be sent to:

Patti Lake  
Personnel Officer  
The University of Montana Western  
710 S. Atlantic Street  
Dillon, MT 59725  
patricia.lake@umwestern.edu

Inquiries may be made to Dr. Estee Aiken @estee.aiken@umwestern.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until position is filled.

The University & Dillon Area

The University of Montana Western is a dynamic, innovative, undergraduate university with over 65 full-time faculty and 1,300 students. It is located in Dillon, Montana in the scenic Rocky Mountains and has been awarded numerous top national rankings for delivering high quality, affordable education.

Montana Western is the only public four-year college in the nation offering *Experience One (X1)*, experiential learning delivered on the block schedule. Class sizes are small and students take a single course at a time, three hours each day for 18 days, before moving on to the next course. Each course is four credits and four blocks are offered each semester. The block schedule facilitates field and lab work, undergraduate research, study travel, and interdisciplinary teaching. Montana Western’s faculty strongly believe in mentoring and inspiring students and assisting them in the transition from university life to professional careers.

The University of Montana Western is an integral part of the Dillon Community. With a population of 5,000 people, Dillon is known for outstanding public schools, safe environments, recreational opportunities, and an excellent quality of life.

*The University of Montana Western is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from qualified women, minorities, veterans and people with disabilities. Qualified candidates may request veterans, or disabilities preference in accordance with state law. Reasonable accommodations are provided in the hiring process for persons with disabilities. Finalists for any position will be subject to a criminal background investigation.*