

Associate Professor in Reading & Literacy  
Director of the Mary and Jean Borg Center for Reading & Literacy  
Illinois State University – Normal/Bloomington  
Department of Curriculum & Instruction

Position Announcement: 01966

Illinois State University, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, is pleased to announce a position for an Associate Professor to serve as Director of the Mary and Jean Borg Center for Reading & Literacy. The appointment will commence on August 17, 2009.

The desired candidate will serve as the administrator of The Director of the Borg Center for Reading & Literacy including designing, establishing, and implementing an agenda supportive of its mission:

*"... to improve the reading and literacy achievement of all citizens by providing support to relevant state agencies, regional offices of education, employers, community groups and local school districts in isolating and implementing research-grounded best practices."*

Required Qualifications:

- Terminal degree in Literacy/Language Arts, Curriculum and Instruction, or related field
- Established record of scholarly publications
- Successful experience in obtaining external funding to support literacy, reading, and/or Language Arts

Preferred Qualifications

- Significant experience working with graduate students at master and doctoral levels
- Experience in leading education literacy projects or programs
- Record of success in working with public school professionals
- Strong organization and communication skills
- Significant experience designing enrichment strategies and/or activities for K-12 students who struggle in reading and writing
- Significant experience planning/implementing outreach activities including professional development
- Knowledge of and experience with technology and its role in teaching and literacy learning
- Experience with policy advocacy

The Department:

The Department of Curriculum and Instruction has experienced dynamic and innovative change in program direction due to new leadership. The University recently celebrated 150 years of teacher preparation. We look forward to continuing our leadership role at the state and national level. The Department has approximately 40 full-time faculty in Teacher Education programs at the undergraduate, masters, and doctoral levels. We work collaboratively with our colleagues in the public schools and community.

The University Community:

Illinois State University is a doctoral-granting institution with an enrollment of approximately 20,450 students. Illinois State University is Illinois' first public university, founded in 1857 to educate the state's teachers. The University is located in Normal/Bloomington, Illinois, a community of over 100,000, located at the crossroads of the Midwest. Illinois State University is located within three hours of Chicago, St. Louis, and Indianapolis.

Application Process:

Initial review of applications will begin mid to late November 2008 and continue until the position is filled. To assure full consideration, submit a letter listing five references (specifically, names addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses), and a curriculum vita. Materials (hard copies) should be sent to Mrs. Anji Zuckerman, Secretary to the Chair, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, Campus Box 5330, Illinois State University, Normal, IL 61790-5330 or [ajzucke@ilstu.edu](mailto:ajzucke@ilstu.edu) for electronic submissions.

Salary: Salary is competitive and will depend upon the qualifications and experience.

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