

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Position: Interpreting Studies Faculty (teaching half-time; interpreting half-time)

Department: Sign Language Studies

Reports To: Chair, Sign Language Studies

Madonna University invites applications for a faculty position in our Bachelor of Interpreting Studies program. The position begins in February 2023. Madonna University is a Franciscan, Catholic co-educational liberal arts university located in Livonia, Michigan, a western suburb of the metropolitan Detroit area, with a student body that is a vibrant and diverse mix of traditional and non-traditional students. This fulltime faculty position blends a half-time teaching load with a half-time embedded interpreting assignment within the Sign Language Studies department.

The Department of Sign Language Studies was established in 1974 as part of a two-fold mission of the university: to provide a vibrant and welcoming learning environment for Deaf students, and to create leaders in the disciplines of Deaf Studies and interpretation. The department offers three undergraduate programs: Interpreting Studies; Deaf Community Studies; and ASL Education. Situated in the Collage of Arts and Sciences, the department enjoys collaborative relationships with other departments and colleges throughout the university.

Responsibilities include teaching interpreting studies courses and serving as the primary interpreter for faculty and staff of the university:

Faculty responsibilities include course development and instruction; student advising; program assessment and evaluation; and participation in university governance, academic life, and scholarship. Teaching load: 12 sh per academic year (half-time).

Interpreter responsibilities include interpreting for faculty or staff during meetings, events, and classes; coordination of interpreting services; liaising with interpreters, faculty, and staff to optimize interpreting interactions (e.g., guidance, preparatory materials); maintenance of a schedule of required or requested interpreting services; and collaboration with Chair to develop relevant policy and procedures. Interpreting load: 20 hours per week (half-time)

Other duties, as assigned.

Qualifications include a master's degree or above interpreting, sign language studies, linguistics, or relevant field; one of the following national or state certifications BEI II, BEI III, RID CI/CT, NAD IV, NAD V, NIC, CSC, MCSC certification plus 4 years or more of interpreting. Must maintain an interpreting license from the State of Michigan (LARA). Fluency in spoken English and American Sign Language across a variety of subject areas and linguistic registers, including academic language required. Maintains knowledge of Michigan laws and regulations relating to interpreting. Teaching experience with undergraduate students of interpretation preferred.

Rank and Salary are commensurate with academic qualifications and experience. Excellent benefits.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Interested applicants should submit a letter of intent and qualifications for the position, curriculum vitae, names and contact information for three references to:

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