



Harvard University

Job Postings

Requisition Number 33804

Title Research Director

School / Unit Graduate School of Education

Department Wide-scale Interactive Development for Educators (WIDE)

Location Cambridge

Full Or Part Time Full-Time

Salary Grade 058

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Duties And Responsibilities Reporting to the Executive Director, the Research Director guides formative, summative, and collaborative action research for WIDE. WIDE World offers research-based online professional development courses for educators in the US and around the world to align and improve performance of students, teachers, coaches, leaders, and systems. The Research Director is part of the Leadership team that defines and advances WIDE's mission.

Develop and coordinate a comprehensive, multi-faceted research program using multiple methods to assess and promote program quality and impact; direct a team of researchers in research design, data collection, analysis, and dissemination of results to inform multiple audiences; build research-related relationships with multiple constituencies, e.g., clients, funders & educational researchers; promote continuous learning of WIDE staff around research and best practices on online professional development, instructional leadership & systemic change; help develop innovative offerings that connect research with WIDE's programs, e.g. evaluation consulting & online collaborative action research. This is a term position with an end date of December 31, 2008 with a likelihood of continuation.

Required Education, Experience And Skills BASIC REQUIREMENTS: Doctorate in education, psychology, or related field; 5+ years experience using mixed methods of online research & action research in academic settings. Competency using technology for research & presentation. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: Ability to lead multiple projects collegially under strict deadlines with minimal supervision. Excellent analytic, written & oral communication, leadership, and teamwork skills. Ability to read Spanish, Chinese, and/or Arabic is desirable, but not required

Additional Web Position Listing Conduct site visits; prepare research communications, e.g., scholarly reports, updates for WIDE World publicity materials, & presentations at academic and professional conferences; identify fundraising opportunities & write grant proposals; manage the research budget and staff, including a full-time researcher and student employees and interns. We seek a collegial leader of strategic opportunities to improve educational research and practice.

Required Screening Harvard University requires pre-employment reference and background screening.

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