

College of Education Department of Elementary and Social Studies Education

University of Georgia Early Childhood/Elementary Education Clinical Assistant Professor

The Department of Elementary & Social Studies Education at the University of Georgia invites applications for a **Clinical Assistant Professor in Early Childhood/Elementary Education** to begin in January 2013. Clinical faculty members are full-time faculty members who have a strong academic background, extensive professional experience, and a commitment to integrating theory and practice in teacher education programs.

The Department of Elementary and Social Studies Education seeks to promote social equity and to advocate for children and teachers through teaching, service, research, engagement, and outreach. For more than a decade, the Early Childhood Education program at UGA has been ranked among the nation's top 10 elementary education programs by *U.S. News and World Report*. Along with other departments in the College of Education, the department is engaged in a multi-faceted collaboration with the local school district, using the Professional Development School model. The faculty members of the department work with diverse theoretical frameworks and a variety of research methodologies. Their areas of interest include the education of children from diverse backgrounds and in local and global contexts, critical and equity-oriented pedagogies, home-school-university partnerships, integrated curricula, research with children and childhood studies, school reform, subject area specialties, policy studies, and teacher education.

The University of Georgia (<u>www.uga.edu</u>) is consistently ranked among the nation's leading public research universities and seeks to sustain and advance this history of success through the recruitment and retention of an excellent and diverse faculty. The University of Georgia offers a competitive compensation package with an affordable cost of living, an attractive location in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains in close proximity to Atlanta, a mild climate, and an excellent quality of life in a vibrant multicultural community.

The College of Education at the University of Georgia has over 200 faculty members, enrolls nearly 5,000 students (50% undergraduate, 50% graduate) per semester, and supports graduate programs perennially ranked among the nation's top 20 public universities.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

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Applicants for the position must hold an earned doctorate in Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, or a related field by January 1, 2013.

- Applicants for the position must have a minimum of five years experience as an education practitioner.
- Applicants must have experience working with pre- and in-service teachers and fluency with research literatures in teacher education.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Expertise in one or more of the following areas: arts-based education; place-based education; critical pedagogy; education for students from diverse backgrounds in general, and from high-poverty and non-native English speaking populations in particular; state and federal standards and mandates; student assessment; or teacher evaluation.
- Potential for making significant contributions to program improvement and innovation.
- Experience with diverse student populations.
- Experience with Professional Development Schools.

Responsibilities

- The successful applicant will teach undergraduate and graduate courses and conduct field supervision of students.
- The successful applicant will work across departmental and institutional boundaries and participate in sustained engagement with local public schools.
- The successful applicant will engage in the scholarship of teaching and the scholarship of engagement.

Application Procedure: Please submit applications as a single PDF file that includes (1) a letter of interest, (2) a current curriculum vitae, (3) two examples of scholarly work or other relevant products, and (4) the names of three individuals who have been asked to submit letters of reference to the search committee. Three letters of recommendations should be sent directly by letter writers as PDF files. All materials should be sent electronically to Ms. Carolyn Burroughs at <u>cburrou6@uga.edu</u>. A transcript from the applicant's terminal degree institution will be required from finalists.

Applications will be reviewed beginning July 31, 2012, and will continue until the position is filled. Inquires about the position should be addressed to the search chair, Dr. Amy Parks, at amyparks@uga.edu.

The position is contingent on funding.

For more detailed information about this position, The University of Georgia, the College of Education, and the Department of Elementary and Social Studies Education, please see: <u>http://www.coe.uga.edu/faculty-and-finance/faculty-searches/</u> and <u>http://www.coe.uga.edu/esse/</u>

The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action institution. The Department encourages applications from all qualified persons and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, veteran status, or sexual orientation.