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Start or enhance your career path with Deaf Empowerment Awareness Foundation, Inc. (DEAF, Inc.). Be affiliated with a nonprofit organization in the St. Louis Metro area that 100% completely supports and benefits the deaf, hard of hearing, and DeafBlind community! Be a part of an organization that nurtures your career and appreciates you.

POSITION: COMMUNITY EDUCATOR CLASSIFICATION: FULL-TIME, NON-EXEMPT

REPORTS TO: COMMUNITY PROGRAM DIRECTOR

LOCATION: ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

SALARY: COMMENSURATE WITH EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

OPENING DATE: JANUARY 04, 2024
CLOSING DATE: UNTIL FILLED

POSITION SUMMARY:

DEAF, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity that provides community and 24/7 interpreting services for the deaf, hard of hearing, and Deafblind community in the St. Louis metro area. This position plays a vital role in advancing DEAF, Inc.'s mission by providing high-quality ASL classes and community trainings that empower individuals and promote greater understanding deaf culture and communication.

Essential Functions and Responsibilities

- ASL Class Coordination: Develop and manage curriculum for ASL classes tailored to various skill level; plan class schedules, location, and registration processes; provide effective and engaging ASL instruction to students; maintain accurate attendance records and student progress tracking.
- Community Training Development: Identify training needs within the community related to ASL, deaf culture, ADA laws and related topics; design and develop educational workshops and presentations for different target audiences; collaborate with subject matter experts to ensure training content is accurate and relevant.
- Evaluation and Improvement: Collect feedback from participants to assess the effectiveness of classes and trainings.
- Outreach and Promotion: Promote ASL classes and community trainings through various channels, including social media, newsletters, and community events; Establish partnerships with local schools, organizations and businesses to expand outreach; attend relevant community events to increase DEAF, Inc.'s visibility and recruit participants.
- Collaborate with other team members to ensure a cohesive approach to community education and outreach initiatives.
- Provide regular reports to Director on class enrollment, progress, and outcomes.
- Attend relevant trainings to enhance teaching skills and stay updated on current trends, research, and best practices in ASL instruction and community education.
- Other duties as assigned by Director of Community Programs.



Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in ASL/Deaf Studies, linguistics, education of the deaf, bilingual education or a related field and three years' experience in teaching ASL. A HS degree or equivalent education and a minimum of five years of teaching ASL plus additional documented relevant training or coursework may be considered.
- At least 3 years of teaching experience, including teaching, training, or workshop facilitation
- Strong American Sign Language (ASL) proficiency skills
- Familiarity with deaf culture, its history, values, and community dynamics
- Passion and Commitment A genuine passion for education, community engagement, and promoting understanding
- Understand and support the mission of DEAF, Inc.
- Flexible schedule
- Valid Driver's License and Vehicle Insurance

Preferred Qualifications

· Experience in non-profit organizations

Key Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Knowledge and ability to use various computer applications (Microsoft Office, iCloud, and SharePoint)
- Experience with virtual platforms (Zoom)
- Working knowledge of office equipment such as projectors, printers, scanners, etc.
- · Strong expressive and written communication skills
- Excellent phone etiquette, customer service, and interpersonal skills
- Excellent organization and time management skills
- Ability to work under pressure, multi-task and prioritize work
- Ability to promote an atmosphere of cooperation and mutual support
- Ability to work both independently and as a core team member
- Punctual attendance and availability for last-minute tasks to meet the needs of the organization
- Foster an inclusive and supportive learning environment for all
- Foster cultural awareness and respect for the deaf community

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