



**Assistant/Associate Professor  
Special Education, Teacher Education Division**

Position Description

*The faculty of the Special Education at California State University Dominguez Hills invites applications from individuals for a Tenure Track position in the Teacher Education.*

**College of Education**

Highly respected among school districts across our region, the acclaimed College of Education at CSUDH prepares educators to join and lead teams dedicated to improving our communities' diverse urban public schools. The College offers both a wide selection of credential programs and graduate degrees as well as unique alternate pathways to careers in the field of education.

The College of Education is accredited at the national level by the **Council for the Accreditation of Education (CAEP)** and at the state level by the **California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC)**.

*Mission*

The College of Education collaborates to design and implement rigorous and relevant programs, recruit and support excellent candidates, develop interactive learning environments that foster student achievement and empowerment, pose critical questions, and engage in continuous improvement.

For more information see: <http://www4.csudh.edu/coe/index>

**Responsibilities**

Duties include:

- Teaching special education pedagogy, assessment, and typical/atypical development;
- Supervising student teachers and interns in field experiences across various special education settings;
- Evaluating the progress of candidates in programs leading to preliminary or clear credentials, added authorizations, or a MA in special education;
- Advising prospective and current candidates in group or individual settings on admission, program coursework, and graduation requirements of the various programs;
- Assuming department, college, and university committee responsibilities;
- Collaborating with staff and families in K-12 settings

- Fostering partnerships with University and local school districts and agencies where candidates complete their fieldwork requirements;
- Establishing and expanding a scholarly research and publication agenda pertaining to special education issues.

### **The Position**

The Special Education Program seeks a person to be a full-time tenure track professor in the area of Special Education.

### **The Ideal Candidate**

A successful candidate will have had experience teaching in PK-12 Special Education classrooms, an established research agenda, a history of publications in refereed journals, university experience, and program administrative experience.

### **Qualifications**

#### Minimum Qualifications

- Earned doctorate (Ed.D. or Ph.D.) by date of appointment in special education or a closely related field with an emphasis in culturally responsive methodologies and/or literacy instruction
- Eligible for or holds an Education Specialist Mild/Moderate or equivalent Credential (added authorization in ELL/bilingual credential highly preferred)
- Experience as a teacher, or service provider in public K-12 special education settings working with culturally and linguistically diverse students including ELLs
- Understanding of and commitment to urban education and the preparation of special education candidates to meet the needs of culturally, linguistically, and ethnically diverse populations;
- Demonstrated ability and experience in working with culturally and linguistically diverse families
- Demonstrated proficiency in oral and written communication and interpersonal skills, including a willingness to work cooperatively with both students and colleagues;
- Evidence of effective teaching strategies in both traditional and technology mediated learning environments (e.g., hybrid or online teaching experience);
- Demonstrated leadership skills in establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with faculty, staff, other departments, students, and the public.
- Experience in teaching undergraduate or graduate students from diverse age, socioeconomic, cultural, and academic backgrounds.

#### Preferred Qualifications

- Fluent in spoken and written Spanish
- A strong research agenda/background in bilingual special education
- Experience with the delivery of special education learning experiences with dual language learners or English language learners
- Knowledge of effective reading practices and literacy instruction for K-12 settings
- Involvement with planning, assessing, and evaluating curricula
- Preference for experience with organizational leadership skills
- Practice in program administration

## Background Checks

- The successful candidate is required to complete a thorough background check and the employment offer can be rescinded if the background check reveals disqualifying or falsified information.

## **CSU Dominguez Hills**

On April 29, 1960, Gov. Pat Brown signed a bill into law authorizing the formation of a state college to serve the growing southwestern region of Los Angeles County. From its humble beginnings in a bank building in Rolling Hills Estates, CSU Dominguez Hills has evolved into a thriving and nationally recognized comprehensive university, providing an innovative liberal arts education to a diverse student body.

### *Mission Statement*

*CSU Dominguez Hills provides education, scholarship and service that are, by design, accessible and transformative. We welcome students who seek academic achievement, personal fulfillment, and preparation for the work of today and tomorrow.*

### *Vision*

*A vital educational and economic resource for the South Bay, CSU Dominguez Hills will be recognized as a top-performing Comprehensive Model Urban University in America. We will be known as a campus community and gathering place where:*

- *Diversity in all its forms is explored, understood, and transformed into knowledge and practice that benefits the world.*
- *Technology is embraced and leveraged to transcend educational boundaries as we reach out to students, both locally and globally.*
- *Sustainable environmental, social and economic practices are a way of life.*
- *Students from our community who aspire to complete a college degree are provided the pathway and guidance to succeed.*
- *Faculty and staff across the University are engaged in serving the dynamic needs of the surrounding communities.*
- *Student life is meaningful and vibrant.*
- *Our accomplishments and those of our alumni are recognized nationally and internationally.*
- *Ultimately, our students graduate with an exemplary academic education, a highly respected degree, and a genuine commitment to justice and social responsibility.*

### *About the University*

CSU Dominguez Hills holds the Carnegie classification of Master's L and is a federally recognized Hispanic-Serving Institution. Class sizes are small as compared with large research universities and classes are taught by the faculty, not by teaching assistants. Many of the university's students are the first in their families to earn a university degree. While the university enrolls traditional full-time students, many students enroll part-time and attend late afternoon, evening and weekend classes because of work and family responsibilities.

CSU Dominguez Hills offers 45 baccalaureate degrees, 24 master's degrees, and a number of certificate and credential programs. Enrollment exceeds 14,635 students, and the student population is among the most ethnically and culturally rich in the nation:

60% Hispanic/ Latino, 14.5% Black/ African-American, 10.9% White, 10.8% Asian, .10% American Indian/ Alaska Native, .30% Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander, 3.10% Two or more races.

The University is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), the accrediting body for institutions of higher learning in the West. Twelve programs hold accreditations from national professional associations: business administration, clinical sciences, computer science, education, health science, music, nursing, occupational therapy, public administration, special education, theatre arts, and social work.

The academic programs of the university are organized under the Colleges of Arts and Humanities, Business Administration and Public Policy, Extended and International Education, Natural and Behavioral Sciences, Education, and Health and Human Services, and Nursing. While continuing to emphasize the liberal arts and sciences, professional programs offered at the undergraduate and graduate level, developed to serve the region's workforce needs, are of great interest to students and prepare them for professions in a variety of industries.

Known for excellence in teacher education, nursing, psychology, business administration, and digital media arts, new degree programs include computer science, criminal justice, recreation and leisure studies, social work, and communication disorders. CSU Dominguez Hills is a national leader in distance learning with 10 academic degrees and seven certificate programs offered.

### *Faculty*

A tradition of teaching excellence lies at the heart of the university experience for Dominguez Hills' students. Most of the faculty have earned doctoral degrees from prestigious universities across the nation. The faculty strives to sustain a dynamic teaching and learning environment in a multicultural setting. The Academic Senate provides a forum for faculty, administration, students and others to be represented and consulted regarding such vital issues as budget priorities, academic standards, curriculum and instruction, and student affairs.

### *Student Life*

At CSU Dominguez Hills, there's more to student life than the classroom. The university offers a dynamic, interactive and enriching community of learners, teachers and peers sharing diverse points of view. There are multitudes of ways for students to pursue interests, get involved, and get the most from their academic experience.

An office of student life enhances student development by coordinating a variety of co-curricular activities, including 60 student organizations. Students are encouraged to perform community service and participate in leadership development. The Multicultural Center on campus promotes the exploration of diverse heritages, values and cultural experiences by offering a wide range of activities and programs throughout the academic year.

CSU Dominguez Hills is a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II institution that competes in the California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA). CSU Dominguez Hills is one of the most athletically competitive and honored schools in the

CCAA, with 23 conference titles and four national championships to date, including the 2008 NCAA D-II Men's Soccer National Championship. CSU Dominguez Hills sponsors 11 intercollegiate athletic teams.

### **The Location**

The university is located in Carson, California, in the South Bay region of Los Angeles County. Its 346-acre park-like campus is situated in the historic Rancho San Pedro, the oldest Spanish land grant in the Los Angeles area. The site remained in the continuous possession of the Dominguez family for seven generations - from its inception in 1794 to its acquisition by the state of California.

### *The Region*

The South Bay is one of the most culturally, economically, and ethnically diverse areas in the United States, with a largely even distribution of the population with African, Asian/Pacific Islander, European, and Latino ancestry. The university is located in the city of Carson, a city of 93,000 residents and one of the many municipalities that border the city of Los Angeles. Cultural, performance and sports venues in downtown Los Angeles are about 15 minutes away and the South Bay beach communities are a few minutes away to the west and south. The StubHub, a 125-acre sports center developed by AEG and home to Major League Soccer's L.A. Galaxy and Chivas USA, is located on the CSUDH campus.

The campus is strategically located in the heart of a major technological, industrial and transportation complex in Southern California. This area includes the massive Port of Long Beach and the Port of Los Angeles – Southern California's gateway to international commerce. The South Bay region is also home to aerospace, oil refinery, healthcare and automotive industries.

### **Employee Benefits**

CSU Dominguez Hills offers a comprehensive and attractive benefits program to its employees. Further information on benefits offered can be found at [www.csudh.edu/employment](http://www.csudh.edu/employment)

### **How to Apply**

While the position will remain open until filled, review of applications will begin on October 15, 2017.

Register your online application/s at

[https://my.csudh.edu/psp/paaprd/EMPLOYEE/HDHPRD/c/HRS\\_HRAM.HRS\\_CE.GBL](https://my.csudh.edu/psp/paaprd/EMPLOYEE/HDHPRD/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_CE.GBL)  
and have the following documents as a single file by December 15, 2017:

- Current Curricula Vitae
- Cover letter
- List of 3 references with contact information
- A Statement on Teaching

Instructions on how to submit a single document link:

<http://www4.csudh.edu/Assets/CSUDH-Sites/HR/docs/External-Applicant-FAQs-final.pdf>

Applicants that are selected to move forward in the recruitment process will be notified by the Search Committee when to submit their 3 letters of recommendation and official transcripts directly to the email address of [aselmi@csudh.edu](mailto:aselmi@csudh.edu) or you may mail directly to:

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Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may call the CSU Dominguez Hills Human Resources Office (310) 243-3771 or the Academic Affairs Personnel Services Office at (310) 243-3766.

Clery Act crime statistics for CSUDH are available at <http://www.csudh.edu/dhpd/>, or by calling University Police at (310) 243-3693.

Upon appointment all candidates must furnish proof of eligibility to work in the U.S.