## Tenure-Track Faculty Position Division of Special Education & Counseling Charter College of Education

**Position:** Assistant or Associate Professor in the area of Orientation and Mobility and Visual

Impairments.

**Starting Date:** Fall 2018

Minimum Qualifications:

An earned Doctorate in Special Education or closely-related field from an accredited institution is required; however, applicants nearing completion of the doctorate (ABD) may be considered. For appointment, the doctorate must be completed by the date of appointment (8/16/2018); 2) Specialized topical knowledge, including, but not limited to, specialized assessment and instruction, use of assistive technology, concept development, transportation options, and accessibility standards related to teaching orientation and mobility to children, youth and adults who are visually impaired for travel in home, school, community, and work environments; 3) Breadth in preparation in the area of education for students with visual impairments and/or experience in teaching students with visual impairments; 4) Experience in teaching at a college level, and; 5) Ability to demonstrate a commitment to working effectively with faculty, staff, and students in a multicultural/multiethnic urban campus environment with a substantial population of first-generation students.

Preferred **Qualifications:** 

1) National Certification as an Orientation & Mobility Specialist (COMS); 2) Record of scholarly activity; 3) Dual certification as a teacher of students with visual impairments; 4) Grant writing experience; 5) Experience supporting other special education programs through teaching and collaborative initiatives; 5) Experience teaching in and knowledge of distance learning technology and instructional programs; 6) Demonstrated cultural competence in working with diverse populations including use of pedagogical approaches and instructional strategies to teach individuals who are English language learners and individuals with disabilities. Interest in working with community partners and families, and; 7) Local, regional, state, and national involvement in professional organizations.

**Duties:** 

The primary professional responsibilities of faculty members are: teaching, research, scholarship and/or creative activity, and service to the University, profession and to the community. These responsibilities generally include: advising students, participation in campus and system-wide committees, maintaining office hours, working collaboratively and productively with colleagues, and participation in traditional academic functions.

In addition to teaching, duties include student advisement in credential, Master's degree and possibly doctoral programs; engaging in scholarly activity – including grant writing; participating in recruitment of candidates, curriculum development, accreditation processes, and program review; and committee service for the Division, the College, and the University. Teaching duties include teaching credential and Master's degree courses, and supervising student teaching, graduate level research, and candidate internships. Our program is accredited by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) and nationally approved by

the Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (AERBVI).

The successful candidate will be committed to the academic success of all of our students and to an environment that acknowledges, encourages, and celebrates diversity and differences. To this end, the successful candidate will work effectively, respectfully, and collaboratively in diverse, multicultural, and inclusive settings. In addition, the successful candidate will be ready to join faculty, staff, students, and administrators in our University's shared commitment to the principles of engagement, service, and the public good.

**Salary:** Initial salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The University:

Cal State LA is one of 23 campuses within the California State University system. With over 60 undergraduate and graduate degree programs led by award-winning faculty, Cal State LA's dedication to access and excellence has been recognized nationally. Founded in 1947, the University is located just minutes from downtown Los Angeles, adjacent to the San Gabriel Valley, and serves more than 28,000 students who reflect the rich ethnic and racial diversity of the area. As a federally recognized Hispanic-serving and Minority-serving institution, Cal State LA recognizes the transformative power of education and embraces its duty to identify and serve the needs of all of its students. This longstanding commitment is reflected in its history as home to the nation's first Chicano Studies program, second Pan-African Studies program, as well as Latin American and Asian American Studies programs. Faculty have the opportunity to establish affiliate status with ethnic studies and other academic programs, including the Honors College. In addition to meeting fully its obligations under federal and state law, Cal State LA is committed to creating a community in which a diverse population can live, work and learn in an atmosphere of civility and respect for the rights and sensibilities of each individual.

Required Documentation:

Please submit the following to the address below:1) a cover letter specifically addressing minimum and preferred qualifications; 2) a curriculum vitae; 3) list of three professional references, and; 4) a university application for employment (<a href="www.calstatela.edu/academic/position">www.calstatela.edu/academic/position</a>). Finalists will be required to submit: 1) three current letters of recommendation, and; 2) official transcripts.

**Application:** 

Review of applications will begin October 30, 2017, and will continue until the position is filled. Please send application materials to: Ms. Mayra Alonzo; California State University, Los Angeles; Division of Special Education and Counseling; 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90032; Phone: 323.343.4400; Email: <a href="mailto:malonzo4@calstatela.edu">malonzo4@calstatela.edu</a>. Questions about the position can be directed to Dr. Frances Siu, Search Committee Chair at <a href="mailto:fsiu@calstatela.edu">fsiu@calstatela.edu</a>

The person holding this position is considered a "mandated reporter" under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

Cal State LA is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer with a strong institutional commitment to achieving and supporting diversity among its faculty, students, and staff. Applications from women, minorities, and individuals with a strong record of mentoring students from underserved or underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

All qualified individuals will receive equal consideration without regard to economic status, race, ethnicity, color, religion, marital status, pregnancy, national origin or cultural background, political views, sex or sexual orientation, gender identification, age, disability, disabled veteran or Vietnam era veteran status.

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Upon request, reasonable accommodation will be provided to individuals with protected disabilities to (a) complete the employment process and (b) perform essential job functions when this does not cause undue hardship.