

Chair, Search Committee
Department of Human Services
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Dear Selection Committee:

Please accept this letter and other documentation as application for the position of Professor of Human Services. For ten years, I have worked in academic programs that prepare human service practitioners. During the mid-1990's, I also taught as an adjunct at CSUC, which makes me familiar with your commitment to diversity and community service. I am currently on faculty at Charlie Daniels University's, Counseling Masters' program. While content here, I am drawn to your program's commitment to community counseling which matches my current research interests.

I have always worked in collaborative settings. While in the public sector, I established ties with universities to place students in practical fieldwork environments. As an educator, I have worked in the "other direction" placing students in healthcare, education, and social services settings.

Your announcement points to a need for an understanding of shared governance and service. My experience in faculty senates and university committees gives me the background to meet this need. I am comfortable working in a setting that seeks to integrate the needs of students, faculty, and student services professionals.

As to your need for an instructor in assessment and research, I have an extensive background in assessment, research methods, and program evaluation. I have taught the graduate level *Research Methods Course* at four different universities. While at Chuck Berry College, I taught a course in "Community Counseling" which was a needs assessment/program evaluation course for community-based organizations. I currently teach a Research Methods course at CDU which is based on a case-study/simulation model. Students are required to prepared a needs assessment survey and plan a interventions and accommodations based on their findings.

I have developed more than a passing interest in the use of technology for teaching and counseling purposes. I am very familiar with network technology. I was assistant director of the Computer Lab CDU's College of Education. The Journal of Career Development published my article on "*The Emergence of the Internet*" as one of the first articles on the use of Internet in career planning and placement. I am currently the Technology Chair for the California Career Development Association and am responsible the web presence as well as the integration of database information and other productivity-related technology initiatives.

In line with the action research orientation of your department, I have established a significant relationship with the counseling staff and the teaching corps at a local high school. I am onsite each week and we have begun collecting data on social problem-solving and adolescent career identity. In November of this year, we presented a workshop based on our program at the International Career Development Conference. Eric/Cass has published a short article based on the program and we have received a grant of \$10,000 for the coming year.

I am quite excited about the possibilities at CSUC. I hope that you will find my background to be of enough interest to interview me further regarding this position. Feel free to contact me at 955-555-5555. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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