

Career Instructor Needed at the Labor Education and Research Center (University of Oregon)

Posted on October 16, 2014 by Rosemary Feurer

The Labor Education and Research Center (LERC) at the University of Oregon invites applications for a dynamic, committed labor educator to join our faculty as a Career Instructor.

LERC provides teaching, research, and technical assistance services to working adults and labor organizations in Oregon and throughout the Pacific Northwest. Throughout its history LERC has served as a catalyst for critical analysis, strategic thinking, and concerted action aimed at strengthening labor and other worker organizations and improving the lives of working Oregonians.

Job Description: The successful candidate will have a demonstrated ability to design and teach non-credit classes and other programs for working adults, union members, and community partners. The Career Instructor will also be expected to pursue applied research projects and/or policy analysis on work and employment issues. We encourage applications from candidates with an interest in helping LERC expand its capacity in these areas.

Qualifications:

Required:

- Master's degree required in social sciences, education, or other relevant field. In exceptional circumstances a bachelor's degree with extensive experience will be considered.
- Demonstrated interest in, and commitment to, issues affecting workers and unions
- Relevant teaching experience in adult education (e.g., classroom teaching, training, workshop facilitation)
- Strong oral, written, and interpersonal communications skills

Demonstrated ability to work effectively with a diverse range of constituents on work and employment issues and an interest in supporting and enhancing an inclusive learning and working environment

Preferred:

- Two or more years of experience working with labor unions or other worker organizations
- Experience with curriculum development, teaching labor education, or conducting popular or adult education classes
- Track record of, or demonstrated potential for, producing applied research or policy analysis funded by external sources
- Experience in working with racially and ethnically diverse communities

Information on the application process is available at
<http://jobs.uoregon.edu/unclassified.php?id=4908>.

Questions about the position can be directed to search committee chair, Bob Bussel (bussel@uoregon.edu).

Author



[Rosemary Feurer](#)

Rosemary Feurer is Professor of History at Northern Illinois University. She is the author of *Radical Unionism in the Midwest, 1900-1950*, among other books and essays. She is working on *The Illinois Mine Wars, 1860-1940* and a new biography of Mary Harris "Mother" Jones.