

Dear Colleague,

The National Science Foundation's Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) is pleased to announce that there are **permanent and temporary Program Director** positions available. The deadline to apply for a **permanent position is September 2, 2011**. There is **no deadline for a temporary position** as applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Prior experience as an NSF Program Director is not required to be considered for either type of position.

If you are interested in applying for either of these positions, please see the information below. If you know of colleagues who may be interested in either of these opportunities, we ask that you please forward the announcement below and thank you in advance for your assistance in recommending bright and diverse talent in our Nation to serve in these critical roles.

Sincerely,

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1) PERMANENT PROGRAM DIRECTOR POSITIONS (deadline 9/2/11)

The National Science Foundation's Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) seeks candidates with expertise in research on STEM learning and education for one or more permanent Program Director positions.

NSF Program Directors assume primary responsibility for carrying out the Agency's overall mission—to support innovative and merit-reviewed projects in basic research and education that contribute to the nation's technical strength, security, and welfare. Program Directors possess knowledge in the appropriate fields, a commitment to high standards, a considerable breadth of interest in and receptivity to new ideas, a strong sense of fairness, good judgment, and a high degree of personal integrity.

The central duties of the position include: contributing to a coherent vision for EHR and STEM education research; participating in collaborative activity in relation to STEM research, practice, and policy; organizing and overseeing proposal review panels; evaluating, negotiating, and funding research proposals; managing awarded projects; and drafting solicitations. Successful candidates are expected to serve in one principal division of EHR, but, as requested, will also contribute to the work of other EHR divisions, work cooperatively across the entire Foundation, and interact productively with other agencies. They will be abreast of the cutting-edge research literatures in fields relevant to this position and will be able to provide high-level advice to others in the directorate and Foundation. Successful candidates should establish contacts and maintain active involvement in the field through participation in meetings and other relevant activities, and through the pursuit of a personal scholarly agenda, as workload permits.

Applicants for the EHR Program Director position must have a Ph.D. or equivalent experience and six or more years of successful research experience relevant to the position, such as education or learning research in any science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) field, evaluation, statistics, measurement, or any of the behavioral, cognitive, or social science bases of STEM learning. Ideal candidates bring strong methodological or measurement expertise in combination with knowledge of teaching or learning in STEM. The candidate should also have the ability to think broadly but critically across domains, and to participate in discussions of research issues in STEM education at a national or international level.

Application information regarding these permanent Program Director positions may be found at: <http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?OPMControl=2345323&org=NSF>

2) TEMPORARY PROGRAM DIRECTOR POSITIONS (no deadline)

In addition to the EHR positions, the Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings (DRL) is engaged in an ongoing nationwide search for temporary Program Directors.

DRL currently manages the following programs: Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering (REESE), Discovery Research K-12 (DRK-12), Informal Science Education (ISE), and Innovative Technology Experiences for Students and Teachers (ITEST), in addition to Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER), and other programs.

Candidates for the DRL Program Director position should have a Ph.D. or equivalent experience, and additional experience and expertise depending on which DRL Cluster they are applying to: Knowledge Building (KB); Resources, Models, and Technologies (RMT); or Lifelong Learning Cluster (LLC). Detailed requirements may be found at the link below.

Program Directors hired under this announcement will be appointed under a Visiting Scientist Appointment, an Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Assignment, or a Temporary Excepted Service Appointment.

Application information regarding these temporary Program Director positions positions may be found at: <http://nsf.gov/pubs/2010/drl10001/drl10001.jsp?org=NSF>

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