Job Class: SPA Manager Sr. - Job Posting 41390
Working Title: Director of Innovation and Collaboration

Who May Apply: Open to all qualified job seekers
Date Posted: 8/17/2020
Closing Date: 9/8/2020
Hiring Agency/Seniority Unit: Minnesota State System Office/Managerial Plan
Division/Unit: Academic and Student Affairs
Appointment Type: Limited, Full-time
Work Shift/Work Hours: Day Shift
Days of Work: M-F
Travel Required: Yes – 25%
Salary Range: $37.45 - $53.88/hourly; $78,195 - $112,501/annually
Classified Status: Unclassified
Bargaining Unit/Union: 220 - Managerial Plan
FLSA Status: Exempt - Executive
Connect 700 Program Eligible: No

Job Summary:

This position will last up to three (3) years

Minnesota State System Office is currently teleworking due to COVID-19, however, going into the office 2-3 days a month may be required.

The Director for Innovation and Collaboration is an essential member of Educational Innovations, supporting statewide and system-level work. This position is responsible for leading and managing the Minnesota State Innovation and Multi-Campus Collaboration Funding Program, providing strategic direction and budgetary oversight to ensure continuous improvement across Minnesota State Academic and Student Affairs entities. The Director of Innovation and Collaboration works with system office divisions and units, campus, community, and industry leaders to build partnerships that foster grassroots, sustainable, and scalable innovation. The Director is also influential in providing strategic guidance to the system office.
cabinet and leadership council on evidence-based practices most able to achieve innovation milestones toward Equity 2030 goals.

About Minnesota State

Minnesota State is the largest single provider of higher education in the state. With 37 institutions, including 30 community and technical colleges and seven state universities, Minnesota State serves 64 percent of the state’s undergraduate student population.

We employ more than 15,900 dedicated faculty and staff focused on student success. We provide essential training and specialized certification options for business, industry, and professionals throughout Minnesota.

The work location is in the heart of downtown St. Paul, right in the skyway system. Benefits include excellent low cost and low deductible health and dental insurance, retirement package, tuition waiver at Minnesota State institutions (after three years of employment) and flexible working hours.

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Minimum Qualifications:

Resume must reflect all minimum qualifications. Please enter your experience in chronological order, including the month and year of employment.

- Master’s Degree
- Three (3) years’ experience developing innovative programming in higher education
- Experience managing a multifaceted government program that incorporates a variety of stakeholders and persons of diverse backgrounds
- Experience developing, managing, monitoring, and evaluating projects and the teams that implement them
- Experience executing complex contracts and agreements
- Experience in community building and/or community organizing
- Strong communication and presentation skills, including the ability to author technical reports and formal recommendations to guide strategic planning and initiatives

Minnesota State is unable to sponsor applicants for work visas. All applicants must be legally authorized to work in the US.

Preferred Qualifications:
• Ph.D. in educational leadership, entrepreneurship, or a closely related field, OR an equivalent amount of experience in innovative programming in higher education
• Teaching experience in higher education
• Experience managing a government grant funding program
• Knowledge of policies and practices governing State of Minnesota contracts and agency agreements, including collective bargaining agreements
• Working knowledge of state and federal statutes and policies governing responsible use of taxpayer funding
• Knowledge of basic copyright law, licensing, and Creative Commons licenses, including emerging trends in curation, remixing, and reuse of open content
• Ability to use and adapt a range of technologies, software, and publishing tools

Additional Requirements:

All applications must have a resume and cover letter.

In accordance with the Minnesota State Colleges & Universities (Minnesota State) Vehicle Fleet Safety Program, employees driving on college/university business who use a rental or state vehicle shall be required to conform to Minnesota State’s Vehicle use criteria and consent to Motor Vehicle Records check.

Other Information:

Employment information for this position can be found in its collective bargaining agreement or its plan document at http://mn.gov/employee-relations/labor-relations/Labor.

Why Work for Us

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How to Apply
External Applicants: Go to the State of MN’s career site at http://www.mn.gov/careers.

Internal Applicants: Go to Self-Service/Careers.

**Contact**

If you have questions about the position, contact Jessica White at jessica.white@minnstate.edu or 651/201-1845.

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