



Theresa M. Fischer Endowed Professor of Citizenship Education

The University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Education is seeking nominations and applications for the **Theresa M. Fischer Endowed Professor of Citizenship Education**. The professor will hold twelve-month tenured appointment in the University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Education, the largest preparer of educators for Missouri and the St. Louis Region.

The Theresa M. Fischer Endowed Professor of Citizenship Education must be a leading expert in citizenship education, with a strong record of scholarship in a related field. The Professor will direct the Citizenship Education Clearing House (CECH) at the University and be responsible for its funding and development, including shaping the vision for the future of citizenship education at the University and elsewhere. The Professor will collaborate with and provide leadership to school districts and other organizations that influence the development of citizenship in children. The Professor will strengthen teaching, research and collaborative school and community efforts that promote citizenship education. Full development of the anticipated program will require an active and successful external funding effort which is consistent with the College of Education's theme of *Creating the 21st Century College of Education*.

The University of Missouri-St. Louis is a leader in partnerships with key institutions in the St. Louis community. Alliances and programs have resulted from collaborations with the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, St. Louis Science Center, Saint Louis Art Museum, Opera Theatre of Saint Louis, St. Louis Zoo, Missouri Historical Society, Missouri Botanical Garden, schools and school districts, agencies which serve children and youth, colleges and universities, and the business community. This sharing of resources and knowledge has provided countless quality educational opportunities for thousands of individuals in the St. Louis region.

UM-St. Louis is one of four institutions in the University of Missouri System and is located in St. Louis. With a population over 2.6 million people, the St. Louis region is the 14th most populated metropolitan area in the United States. Home to a wonderful array of cultural, scientific, educational, and sports venues, St. Louis was recently named one of the nicest places to live and work in America. The St. Louis region consistently ranks in the top 5-7 in the United States for Fortune 500 and 1000 company headquarters. UM-St. Louis is the largest university in the St. Louis region and with current enrollments exceeding 15,000 students, it ranks as the third largest university in Missouri. As a Land Grant and doctoral degree granting institution, the University offers a wide array of degree programs.

The College of Education enrolls approximately 1300 undergraduates, 300 post baccalaureate, and 1000 graduate students, including some 200 doctoral students. The College of Education is NCATE accredited and a member of the Holmes Partnership. The full array of academic degrees are offered through the College of Education including the Bachelor of Science in Education (B.S. Ed.); the Bachelor of Educational Studies (B.E.S.); the Bachelor of Science in Community Education (B.S.C.E.); the Master of Education (M.Ed.); the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.); and the Doctor of Philosophy in Education (Ph.D.). Twelve newly endowed professorships, connected to the rich resources of the St. Louis region, have been created in the College of Education within the past six years. The College currently shares thirteen faculty joint appointments with the College of Arts and Sciences and is the host partner in the St. Louis Regional Center for Education and Work, housed on the campus of the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Qualifications: A successful candidate for the position must hold a doctoral degree in an area of education or a related field, qualify for the rank of tenured associate or full professor, be innovative and visionary, have a demonstrated record of obtaining grants, possess proven administrative abilities, have the ability to utilize new and emerging technologies in educational resource delivery, and have

demonstrated experience with and knowledge of current initiatives and contemporary thought in his or her respective field of study, particularly as they relate to the work of promoting citizenship education. Highly effective interpersonal skills and a demonstrated commitment to children *are required*.

The salary is negotiable, commensurate with qualifications and experience, and *highly competitive*.

The application review process will start on January 15, 2003 and continue until the position is filled. The position will be available starting in Fall 2003.

Applications and letters of nomination should explain in detail how the applicant or nominee meets the qualifications specified in this announcement.

Visit the College of Education website at <http://www.umsl.edu/~educate/> and the St. Louis Public Schools website at <http://www.slps.org/>

Applicants for the position of Theresa M. Fischer Endowed Professor of Citizenship Education should send via hard copy or email a detailed curriculum vita, a cover letter outlining qualifications and interests, and the names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of five references, to search committee chair Marvin W. Berkowitz, Ph.D., Sanford N. McDonnell Endowed Professor of Character Education, College of Education, University of Missouri-St. Louis, G12 Marillac Hall, 8001 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis, MO 63121-4499. Email to berkowitz@umsl.edu.

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