The University of Illinois Counseling Center is hiring a Specialist in Education. The successful candidate will have solid experience and expertise in serving college student populations. The Center is an APA accredited training site with over 50 staff including clinicians, doctoral interns, professional staff, administrative staff as well as graduate assistants, undergraduate paraprofessionals, and practicum trainees.

The University of Illinois is located in the twin cities of Champaign and Urbana in central Illinois. The campus is situated between the three major metropolitan areas of Chicago, Indianapolis, and St. Louis and is considered one of the top comprehensive research public universities in the nation. Our staff works on campus with an academically talented and ethnically diverse student population, including 23 percent international students, 13 percent Asian American students, 8 percent Latino/a students, and 5 percent African American students, from a total enrollment of over 43,600 students. The University of Illinois is a traditional residential campus with nearly 10,500 students living in campus housing.

**Primary Job Functions**
The Specialist in Education will develop, coordinate and implement campus wide programs designed to increase student awareness and teach healthy habits related to alcohol, drugs and other substances including process addictions. Major areas of collaboration will be with New Student Programming, Campus Housing, Office of the Dean of Students and other Student Affairs and campus units. The Specialist of Education may teach courses and/or provide training related to peer education and prevention. Our Center’s mission places a high value on serving a diverse population of students in a culturally competent manner as we provide a variety of services to assist students with psychological, educational, social, and developmental concerns. Job duties and responsibilities as the specialist in education may include, but are not limited to:
- Develop and implement prevention programs around Alcohol and Other Drugs using best practices for Higher Education environments under the direction of administrative staff.
- The position will require creative delivery of prevention themes through artistic expression, video production and other contemporary forms of psycho-education
- Teach and/or train undergraduates in facilitation and prevention models
- Coordinate with new student programming to provide new student awareness and safety programming
- Construct Educational Programming geared toward special populations around Alcohol and Other Drugs use including but not limited to: Veterans, International Students, Athletes, Fraternities and Sororities
- Collaborate with essential Student Affairs units including new student programming and Office of Dean of Students
- Participate in various Student Affairs activities and campus committees.
- Assist center administration with efficacy report writing
- Assist in supervising graduate and undergraduate students depending on unit needs
- Other duties as assigned.

**Education**
- Bachelor’s Degree required; Master’s degree preferred

**Experience**
- Demonstrated experience functioning in higher education setting as an educator and prevention specialist required
- At least 3 years full time experience in a higher education setting required
- Skilled in working independently required
- Demonstrated collaborative skills required
- Experience with program evaluation preferred
Knowledge
• Strong communication skills required
• Understanding of diversity theory integrated with Alcohol and Other Drugs prevention required
• Theoretical understanding of program development
• Knowledge of best practices, efficacy, culturally competent program delivery
• Writing creative messaging campaigns around substance use preferred
• Classroom instruction preferred

Starting Date
May 16, 2015 or mutually acceptable date.

Appointment Terms
12 months with 24 vacation days; full time regular position.

Salary
Salary competitive and commensurate with experience.

To ensure full consideration please create your candidate profile through http://jobs.illinois.edu and upload your cover letter, vita, and contact information for three references. For full consideration, please apply by April 1, 2015. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit three current letters of recommendation to:
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Search Committee Chair
Counseling Center, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
610 E. John St., 110 Student Services Building
Champaign, IL 61820
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This position is a security sensitive position. All finalists for this position will require a background check and final offers will be contingent upon the results of the background check. The University of Illinois ensures that all background checks are held in compliance with all federal and state statutes, and campus policy. Information attained from the background check will be kept strictly confidential. Finalists will have the right to request a copy of the report the University of Illinois will receive. Individuals with diverse backgrounds, experience and ideas who embrace and value diversity and inclusivity are encouraged to apply.

Illinois is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, status as a protected veteran, or status as a qualified individual with a disability. Illinois welcomes individuals with diverse backgrounds, experiences, and ideas who embrace and value diversity and inclusivity. (www.inclusiveillinois.illinois.edu).