Ph.D. for Special Education Teachers

Information meetings in the following locations

| Yuma | 6:00 p.m. October 15 Room DC 170 -1351 S. Redondo Center Drive, Yuma, AZ |
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| Phoenix | 4:30 p.m. October 15 NAU East Valley; Room 420- 145 N Centennial Way Mesa, AZ |
| Tucson | 4:30 p.m. October 16 Pima Community College; 401 N Bonita Ave. Tucson, AZ |
| Phoenix | 4:30 p.m. October 17 NAU North Valley; Room 152-15451 N 28 th AVE. Phoenix, AZ |

Prescott 4:30 p.m. October 17 YCC Main Campus; Building 4, Room 115; 1100 E Sheldon St. Prescott, AZ

Requirements:

- 1. Two or more years teaching experience as a certified special education teacher (need documentation from Special Education Director of role as a teacher whose primary responsibility was in special education; a copy of special education teaching certificate).
- 2. Admission to NAU College of Education C & I doctoral program
- 3. Five or more years of experience in a culturally and linguistically diverse environment.
- 4. NOT on a 12 month contract.
- 5. Completion of Master's Degree in Special Education or related area.
- 6. Career goal to be a full-time university special education faculty.
- 7. Proof of US Citizenship or Permanent US Residency.
- 8. If accepted, summer residence and coursework in Flagstaff from approx. June 1 July 20th each year is required.
- 9. Accepted scholars must sign a service contract* with the US Department of Education

*The grant requires 10 years payback as Full time (paid) Special Education University Faculty for five years of grant support.

Program description

The Leaders Advancing Diversity, Leaders in Exceptional-education Addressing Diversity, Research and Service LEADERS grant at NAU will offer financial support to a limited number of scholars who pursue a Curriculum and Instruction (C & I) Ph.D. program with a focus in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Exceptional (CLDE) education. LEADERS Cohort begins in January 2019 and ends by May 2023. Courses are on-line in spring and fall semester and in person in summer. A mandatory in-person seminar of approximately one week in length funded by the grant is held in Flagstaff each spring and fall. Comprehensive exams and a dissertation of each scholar's research related to CLDE students are required to complete the doctorate.

The LEADERS grant provides **funding** for tuition, books, travel to campus in summer, and summer campus housing. Enrichment seminars with nationally known researchers in culturally diverse special education are an integral part of this doctoral program. After graduation, LEADERS graduates are prepared and expected to take positions at colleges or universities as full time special education faculty.

Timeline

| Oct. 05-Nov.10 | Contact Judith Ulrich for application PRIOR applying to the graduate college. |
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| Nov. 12, 2018 | LEADERS application due to NAU (judith.ulrich@nau.edu) |
| Nov. 12, 2018 | Application to NAU Graduate College C & I Doctoral Program: |
| | \$65 non-refundable fee. A complete application includes letters of recommendation. |
| Dec. 15, 2018 | Notification to individuals receiving LEADERS grant funding. |
| Jan. 14, 2019 | LEADERS Coursework begins. |
| Jan 18-21 2019 | LEADERS' participants meet in person at NAU for required orientation |

Contact: For more information and LEADER grant application, or if you are unable to attend the meeting, contact:

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