

Michigan State University College of Law seeks a full-time professor to teach in our legal writing program.

Applicants must have distinguished academic credentials, excellent analytical skills and writing mechanics, and at least two years of experience in practice. Applicants with teaching experience are preferred.

Our legal writing professors are highly collaborative and teach from a common syllabus. Our department also benefits from a full-time writing specialist with a Ph.D. in English. In addition, in the fall semester the Law College's research librarians teach beginning research skills.

Legal writing professors teach two courses per semester to either first-year J.D. students or foreign-educated lawyers in the College's LL.M. program. Class size is approximately 18-20 in J.D. classes and 8-12 in LL.M. classes. On a rotating basis, legal writing professors may teach courses outside the writing program.

After a period of fixed-term contracts, legal writing professors are eligible for presumptively rolling three-year or five-year contracts. Legal writing professors are also eligible for teaching and research assistants, expenses for conference attendance, and summer research stipends. Legal writing professors attend faculty meetings and participate in Law College committees. The appointment is a nine month, academic year appointment.

MSU is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The College of Law actively encourages applications from and nominations of women, persons of color, veterans, and persons with disabilities.

For full consideration, please send a letter of interest, résumé, writing sample of at least ten pages, and law school transcript no later than October 15, 2011. The College of Law encourages electronic submission. Please send materials to Matthew Fletcher, Chair of the Faculty Appointments Committee at: matthew.fletcher@law.msu.edu. Alternatively, mail materials to:

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For further information, please contact Prof. Deanne Lawrence (517) 432-6917, email: lawre108@law.msu.edu; Prof. Daphne O'Regan (517) 432-6914, email: oreganda@law.msu.edu; or Jennifer Qureshi (517) 432-6931, email: mill1137@law.msu.edu.

1. The position advertised:

___ a. is a tenure-track appointment.

- ☒ b. may lead to successive long-term contracts of three or five years.
- ☐ c. may lead only to successive short-term contracts of one to four years.
- ☐ d. has an upper-limit on the number of years a teacher may be appointed.
- ☐ e. is part of a fellowship program for one or two years.
- ☐ f. is a year-to-year adjunct appointment.

Professor may apply for a rolling three-year or rolling five-year contract.

2. The professor hired:

- ☐ a. will be permitted to vote in faculty meetings.
- ☒ b. will not be permitted to vote in faculty meetings.

3. The school anticipates paying an annual academic year base salary in the range checked below. (A base salary does not include stipends for coaching moot court teams, teaching other courses, or teaching in summer school; a base salary does not include conference travel or other professional development funds.)

- ☐ over \$120,000
- ☐ \$110,000 - \$119,999
- ☐ \$100,000 - \$109,999
- ☐ \$90,000 - \$99,999
- ☐ \$80,000 - \$89,999
- ☐ \$70,000 - \$79,999
- ☒ \$60,000 - \$69,999
- ☐ \$50,000 - \$59,999
- ☐ less than \$50,000
- ☐ this is a part-time appointment paying less than \$30,000
- ☐ this is an adjunct appointment paying less than \$10,000

Professor will be eligible for conference travel, teaching and research assistants, and summer research stipends.

4. The number of students enrolled in each semester of the courses taught by the legal research & writing professor will be:

- ☐ a. 30 or fewer
- ☐ b. 31 - 35
- ☒ c. 36 – 40 (see below)
- ☐ d. 41 - 45
- ☐ e. 46 - 50
- ☐ f. 51 - 55
- ☐ g. 56 - 60
- ☐ h. more than 60

Additional information about teaching load, including required or permitted teaching outside of the legal research and writing program:

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