## MOUNT VERNON

## POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT Adjunct Instructor in Biology Position

Mount Vernon Nazarene University exists to shape lives through educating the whole person and cultivating Christ-likeness for lifelong learning and service.

Mount Vernon Nazarene University (MVNU) is an intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students, and working adults who seek opportunities to learn and grow in an academic community of faith. The University provides the context for a transformational experience through excellent academics, service opportunities, caring relationships, and a nurturing spiritual and social environment. Faculty, staff, and students are challenged to achieve their highest potential, to become increasingly Christ-like and to make a difference in their world through lifelong service.

The University is seeking an Adjunct Instructor in Biology for its School of Natural and Social Sciences.

Responsibilities may include:

- Teach a botany lecture with laboratory course
- Adequately prepare all course materials and lessons
- Provide each student with clear course expectations, evaluations, and timelines through carefully written topical outlines and approved, standardized syllabi
- Provide interesting and relevant assignments for students that demonstrate learning outcomes
- Design and administer examinations and other appropriate assessments
- Report midterm and final grades in a timely manner
- Respond to student questions in a timely manner
- Identify and refer at-risk students to specific academic support services
- Ensure that course and program learning outcomes are delivered as defined by the syllabus

## Qualifications:

Interview preference will be given to candidates who possess the following:

- An Evangelical Christian confession of faith and experience is required (Statement of Faith required at application)
- A graduate degree in Biology is required
- A demonstrable track record of successful teaching or significant professional experience related to Biology
- Strong presentation skills, and commitment to quality classroom instruction and student learning
- Engaging classroom style and appreciation of successful instructional approaches for a range of academic abilities
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, and ability to work collaboratively with others

In a continuing effort to enrich its academic environment and provide equal educational and employment opportunities, the university actively encourages applications from members of all ethnic groups underrepresented in higher education. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled; however, early application is strongly advised. Interested candidates should send an application letter, curriculum vita, unofficial college transcripts, evidence of teaching competence, names and contact information for three references, a one- to two- page statement of educational philosophy, and a one- to two-page statement of faith. Applicants are encouraged to submit application materials via email as Microsoft Word or .pdf file attachments to:

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