

## **OPEN POSITION POSTING**

Opening Date: 3/9/2022 Closing Date: Until Filled

Position Title: BSM Director, Hardin-Simmons University

**Department/Division:** Center for Collegiate Ministry

Job Type: Regular Full Time, Exempt

Location: 2200 Hickory, Abilene, TX, 79698

**BASIC FUNCTION:** The Director of BSM will lead in the continued growth and expansion of Baptists Student Ministry working in cooperation with the University's Spiritual Life Department. As the priority religious organization on campus, BSM will coordinate strategy for student leadership teams, evangelism / discipleship strategy on and off campus, youth revival teams, international ministry and Go Now Missions. Also, the BSM Director will actively interact with the collegiate churches for cooperation and support.

<u>Position description/objective:</u> NOTE: Some descriptions may have more specific duties and/or goals and objectives attached to this form. Such attachments normally reflect unique aspects of specific locations, shifts, departments, etc.

- \*1. Direct the total BSM ministry based upon the vision adopted by the Texas Baptists Center for Collegiate Ministry: to engage the 1.6 million college students in Texas to follow Christ and transform the world. Accomplishing this task alongside the University's Spiritual Life Department is expected to include but not limited to the following strategies:
  - **A. Student Leadership Strategy:** the development of student led leadership teams with one designed to coordinate all BSM activities.

## B. Discipleship / Evangelism Strategy:

- Develop an intentional, relational strategy that challenges students in personal spiritual growth and making disciples through one on one, small group and campus outreach. Goal: students reaching students who reach other students.
- 2) Develop a strategy for communicating the Gospel to students. Examples include but are not limited to prayer walking, social activities such as retreats, large campus-wide events, resident hall outreach, personal Gospel appointments, intramurals, luncheons, training other religious groups, etc.

- 3) Implement a strategy to train students in appropriate methods of clearly sharing the Gospel message on and off campus.
- 4) Develop and implement a strategy to involve students in TXBSM's Go Now Missions, that will complement the University's short-term missions program. Strategy will involve both going and giving. HSU BSM will also have a minimum of one Spring Break missions trip involving Beach Reach at South Padre Island.
- 5) Participation in planning and strategy with the University's Spiritual Life Department.
- C. Coordinate the present ministries under the direction of BSM, working in coordination with the University's Spiritual Life Staff.

## **D.** Missions Strategy:

- 1) Youth Ministry
- 2) International Ministry
- 3) Working with the University Chaplain to enlist small group outreach in residence halls.
- 4) Active participation in Chapel and Welcome week activities.

## E. Church Life Strategy:

- 1) Develop a strategy that leads students to be involved in local Baptist churches.
- 2) Consult with collegiate leadership of local churches as appropriate.
- 3) Pursue relationships with local church staffs aggressively.
- 4) Coordinate youth ministry teams in relationship to area churches.
- \*2. Facilitate a ministry of care and encouragement to include but not limited to these groups on campus:
  - A. Students (Baptist Student Ministry is not designed to function as a counseling ministry. BSM Directors will not be involved in ongoing counseling with students but will seek to encourage students to the proper professional channels for this service.)
  - B. Campus Faculty and Staff
  - C. Local Church Workers
- \*3. Administer the BSM budget in alignment with BSM and the University's approved goals and objectives for the campus to include but not limited to the following:
  - A. Work with the University Chaplain in budget planning.
  - B. Make regular financial reports to the University Chaplain.
  - C. Work within the guidelines of the University.
- \*4. Work with the chaplain's office effectively to provide a student ministry program that is appropriate to the campus situation and acceptable to the local Baptist churches and alumni.

- \*5. Attend all meetings and training as required to include but not limited to the following: team meetings, supervisor training (as scheduled), new worker training (if recent hire, August), mission trips, required staff meetings, student leadership meetings, weekly programs through BSM, personal conferences with students for the purpose of discipleship/leadership development and others deemed necessary by the Collegiate Ministry Team and / or the Chaplain's office. BSM Director will serve on campus committees only as they relate to the overall vision of BSM.
- \*6. Communicate with the Collegiate Ministry Team through required ministry reports, financial reports, student missions report forms, semester and yearly statistical data.
- \*7. Provide direction and supervision of direct reports; provide professional growth and development; develop and communicate goals and objectives; monitor, evaluate, and provide constructive feedback and direction to direct reports; conduct annual performance and ongoing evaluation.
- \*8. Prepare and proofread letters, memos, and other correspondence accurately and timely.
- \*9. Answer phones promptly, take accurate messages, and respond to requests for information in timely manner.
- \*10. Maintain compliance with the Baptist General Convention of Texas' employee policies and procedures. Maintain compliance with all state and federal laws and regulatory requirements.
- \*11. Perform other duties as required.

<u>Required skills and experience:</u> NOTE: These requirements represent minimum levels in order to perform the job on a satisfactory basis. Candidates must have the ability to satisfactorily perform the essential functions of the job.

- Requires gifting in <u>Discipleship / Evangelism</u> skills, <u>Leadership Development</u>, <u>Visioning</u> and <u>Strategic Thinking</u> with a proven experience level in an active campus ministry. TXBSM or equivalent experience required.
- 2. Requires the ability to articulate and implement a clear vision of spiritual growth and outreach to college students.
- 3. Require ability to create a BSM community under a unifying vision of sharing Christ on the University campus.
- 4. Requires strong Biblical communication skills.
- 5. Requires attendance and support at weekly chapel services and other Spiritual Life meetings.
- 6. Requires in-depth understanding of a comprehensive field of knowledge, generally acquired through an earned Master's degree from an accredited seminary (Baptist seminary preferred).
- 7. Requires active membership in an affiliated and uniquely aligned BGCT church who is a cooperating church within the association and is supportive of local BSM ministry during employment.
- 8. Requires ability to raise funds through alumni and church base contact.

<sup>\*</sup>Task which is considered to be an essential and primary function of the job.

- 9. Requires ability to work under close supervision and clear expectations, yet exercise independent thinking and initiative, especially during the first three year.
- 10. Requires knowledge of denominational structure and church programs.
- 11. Requires ability to maintain confidentiality.
- 12. Requires ability to effectively manage two to three interns, and office personnel; requires administrative skills to include but not limited to staff selection, development, motivation, scheduling, and evaluation.
- 13. Requires ability to relate positively, influentially, and sensitively to a broad spectrum of persons in a variety of multi-tiered relationships and settings to include but not limited to students, faculty, clergy, laity, institutional staff/faculty, various Baptist organizations, churches of all sizes, cultural identities and worship styles, board and council members, Baptists of Texas and beyond.
- 14. Requires ability to relate positively and sensitively to a broad spectrum of persons from a variety of cultural backgrounds and identities and to promote a multicultural organization.
- 15. Requires ability to plan, administer, and report budgets proficiently.
- 16. Requires ability to provide strategic and logistical planning and facilitate meetings, conferences, workshops, and retreats as required.
- 17. Requires knowledge of and commitment to traditional Baptist distinctives.
- 18. Requires understanding of Scripture and theology and commitment to lifelong study and personal growth.
- 19. Ability to develop strong, consistent leadership among students.
- 20. Requires strong evangelistic skills.
- 21. Requires ability to communicate the vision of BSM both locally and state-wide on association and local church level.
- 22. Requires proficiency in interpersonal and conversational skills for sharing the message of Jesus Christ at any time in an appropriate manner sensitive to the person, situation, and time.
- 23. Requires ability to speak, read, and write English. Ability to speak, read, and write proficiently in Spanish is highly desirable.
- 24. Requires excellent, professional written communication skills.
- 25. Requires ability to make effective, timely and appropriate decisions.
- 26. Requires excellent listening skills, interpersonal skills, and relationship building skills.
- 27. Requires excellent demonstrated leadership skills necessary to appropriately influence people to achieve a desired outcome.
- 28. Requires ability to travel to various geographic locations and some overnight stays including weekends.
- 29. Requires professionalism in the workplace to include professional and accurate communication with others.

- 30. Requires ability to speak clearly and make self-understood in face-to-face interactions; to articulate with accuracy on the telephone and through e-mail.
- 31. Requires ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with staff, vendors, churches, committees, organizations, etc.
- 32. Requires excellent organizational skills; ability to multi-task.
- 33. Requires commitment to Christian principles and teachings both professionally and personally.
- 34. Requires proficient working knowledge and ability to use various office software including, but not limited to Microsoft Word, Excel, Gmail, and internet skills; intermediate level skills required.
- 35. Requires ability to grasp, push, pull, carry or otherwise manipulate objects; ability to perform tasks requiring action of muscles or groups of muscles and foot and/or hand-eye coordination
- 36. Requires ability to walk, stand and sit, sometimes for prolonged periods of time.
- 37. Requires sufficient good health to properly discharge duties.

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