Translation Specialist

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Everything we do is designed to improve the quality of life of the people in the state of Illinois, across the nation, and around the world. We discover, develop, translate, and disseminate knowledge to address societal concerns and train the next generation of experts and leaders in a way that empowers them to expand the boundaries of science to higher levels of understanding and influence.

Be a part of our story. Through learning partnerships that extend knowledge and change lives, University of Illinois Extension provides educational programs aimed at making life better, healthier, safer, and more profitable for individuals and their communities. Illinois Extension has operated continuously for more than 100 years connecting the citizens of Illinois to their land-grant university by providing educational programming around the state. University of Illinois Extension is based in the College of ACES and works with all colleges and units of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The Translation Specialist serves as a regular, full-time, 12-month position with primary responsibility for translating, and facilitating the translation of, Illinois Extension materials into Spanish and other languages using the standardized process of forwarding translation (source language to target language), back translation (target language to source language), and review (quality assurance) of educational content submitted for translation.

The Translation Specialist will be located in Urbana-Champaign on the University of Illinois campus (remote and flexible working arrangements are negotiable for this position) and will report to the Director of Communications for University of Illinois Extension.

Position Overview
- Provide end-to-end client service on English to Spanish language translation requests from a variety of constituents throughout Illinois Extension in collaboration with the project manager and writing and design colleagues.
- Develop institutional knowledge that informs the nuance of Illinois Extension marketing and communications and utilize that knowledge to create on-brand translations for diverse audiences.
- Recruit and hire language translation hourly help in needed languages beyond English and Spanish.
- Supervise hourly help and provide client service on these projects.
- Create proofing, editing, and project management systems for hourly translation staff projects.
- Provide cultural insights related to target marketing for Spanish language communities.
- Solicit and research cultural insights as needed for other language communities as it related to Illinois Extension’s mission and programming.
- Comply with all University of Illinois Extension Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity policies and guidelines in all aspects of Extension work: assist unit staff with data collection for Affirmative Action, Gender, and Targeted reports as needed.
- Perform other related duties as assigned to further the mission of the unit.

Application Due
June 1, 2022

Proposed Start Date
As soon as possible after the closing date

Salary
Commensurate with experience and qualifications

To Apply
Go To: http://go.illinois.edu/163337
Log in to your account and upload a cover letter and resume, as well as the names and contact information of three professional references

More Information
The position is a full-time, benefits eligible, exempt, Civil Service position appointed on a 12-month service basis. Generous vacation and sick leave. State Universities Retirement System. Group health, dental, vision and life insurance.

This is a security-sensitive position. Comprehensive background checks, including but not limited to a criminal conviction information check, and a review of the Registered Sex Offender list, will be conducted.
Qualifications

Required:
- Bachelor’s degree in marketing, business administration, communications, public relations, or a closely related field.
- One year of professional work experience in marketing, public relations, communications, brand management, or a related professional area. Demonstrated experience reading, writing, and speaking Spanish.

Preferred:
- Master’s degree in marketing, education, business administration, communications, public relations, or a closely related field.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:
- Knowledge of purpose and mission of the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences and University of Illinois Extension is preferred.

Environmental Demands

To perform the functions of this position, the employee will be required to perform work both within an office and outside in the communities that are served, and must have the capability to travel from one location to the other in a timely fashion. A valid driver’s license is preferred. Employee is responsible for securing personal transportation. Some work will be required during evenings and/or weekends. When working, the employee may be exposed to a variety of environmental factors to include, but not limited to, hot or cold weather, exposure to noise and allergens, and uneven ground. In performing the functions of this position, the employee may be subjected to various mental and physical demands as well to include, but not limited to, independently traveling to and performing work at different locations, lifting and moving items that may occasionally weigh up to forty (40) pounds and frequently weigh up to twenty (20) pounds, and twisting, pushing and pulling movements.

Application Procedure

Applications must be received by June 1, 2022. Apply for this position using the “Apply for Position” button. If you have not applied before, you must create your candidate profile at http://jobs.illinois.edu. If you already have a profile, you will be redirected to that existing profile via email notification. Please be sure to address how you meet each requirement of the position in your cover letter and/or resume. To complete the application process:

- Step 1) Submit the Staff Vacancy Application.
- Step 2) Submit the Voluntary Self-Identification of Disability forms.
- Step 3) Upload your cover letter, resume (months and years of employment must be included). Academic credentials are verified at the time of hire.

In order to be considered as a transfer candidate, you must apply for this position using the "Apply for Position" button. Applications not submitted through this website will not be considered. For further information about this specific position, contact Ashley Grilo (ashleyg@illinois.edu). For questions about the application process, please contact 217-333-2137.

Out-of-state candidates must establish Illinois residency within 180 calendar days of the start date for this position. Illinois residency requires proof of a valid Illinois Driver’s License or state of Illinois ID Card. Failure to produce the required documentation within 180 calendar days will result in immediate termination of employment.

The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer. Convictions are not a bar to employment. The University of Illinois System requires candidates selected for hire to disclose any documented finding of sexual misconduct or sexual harassment and to authorize inquiries to current and former employers regarding findings of sexual misconduct or sexual harassment. For more information, visit Policy on Consideration of Sexual Misconduct in Prior Employment. The University of Illinois must also comply with applicable federal export control laws and regulations and, as such, reserves the right to employ restricted party screening procedures for applicants.

As a qualifying federal contractor, the University of Illinois System uses E-Verify to verify employment eligibility.

The University of Illinois is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer that recruits and hires qualified candidates without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, disability or veteran status. For more information, visit http://go.illinois.edu/EEO.

University of Illinois faculty, staff and students are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. If you are not able to receive the vaccine for medical or religious reasons, you may seek approval for an exemption in accordance with applicable University processes.