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JOB POSTING

Art and Drama Therapy Instructor 2 Positions

Agency Name: Mennonite New Life Centre of Toronto
Program: LIGHTS (Language Instruction Giving Hope to Trauma Survivors)
Work Title: Art and Drama Therapy Instructor

Agency Description:

The Mennonite New Life Centre of Toronto (MNLCT) is a vibrant community centre specializing in settlement services for newcomers to Canada. We offer a wide range of programs to support the successful and meaningful integration of newcomers to all aspects of Canadian life. We have three locations across the city of Toronto where we offer services free of charge.

Program Description: LIGHTS

The Language Instruction for Giving Hopes to Trauma Survivors Program (LIGHTS) is an alternative language training program for newcomers who, due to multiple distress and trauma, find challenging to learn English in a traditional class. **LIGHTS** is a student-centered and flexible program to help participants with functional second language acquisition, life skills, self-esteem, sense of control and empowerment.

Job Position Summary:

The **Art and Drama Therapy Instructor** is responsible for planning and conducting sessions to include visual arts and drama-based activities intended to help participants to explore, understand and address behaviors, attitudes, emotions and relationships. Activities may include painting, drawing, sketching, as well as role-playing, storytelling, improvisations and script work as suggested/outlined in the MNLCT/LIGHTS Curriculum. In addition, this role will work collaboratively and in cooperation with other LIGHTS Team members and MNLCT staff across programs. Writing and submission of reports to funder on a timely basis.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Welcome new clients. Complete initial intake assessment.
- Work collaboratively with language instructor to identify and address practical needs associated with past trauma experiences and resettlement stress.
- Commitment and availability to receive training about the MNLCT/ LIGHTS Curriculum.
- Commitment to applying the MNLCT /LIGHTS Curriculum in activity planning and delivery.
- Commitment to support and follow MNLCT organizational goals, HR policies, code of conduct and safety procedures.
- Commitment to participant's wellbeing and to continually improving professional practice.
- Manage sensitive information with respect and confidentiality.
- Attend and actively participate in team meetings at MNLCT

- Maintain appropriate record-keeping/documentation.
- Individual and/or group follow-up with participants.
- Organize a performance or video resulting from the work done (if appropriate).
- Submit evaluation reports.
- Travel locally through different MNLCT branches and other Community Organizations

Qualifications and Skills:

- A university degree in counseling, psychology or mental health field.
- TESL Ontario Certified an asset.
- Relevant work experience in immigrant counselling services with an understanding the impact of immigration in the mental health.
- Ability to adapt to different participants and group members, locations, and situations.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Team player. Creativity and imagination.
- Resilience and ability to cope with different challenging situations.
- Commitment to empowerment and social change.
- Comfortable with cultural diversity.
- Access to a car and willingness to use for work is an asset.

The Art and Drama Instructor LIGHTS reports directly to the Mental Health Program Manager. There are two position available:

Positions	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021
1 Language Instructor - art and drama therapy	30 hours/week \$27.00 per hour (22 weeks)	30 hours/week \$27.54 per hour (30 weeks)	30 hours/week \$28.09 per hour (30 weeks)
1 Language Instructor - art and drama therapy	20 hours/week \$27.00 per hour (22 weeks)	20 hours/week \$27.54 per hour (30 weeks)	20 hours/week \$28.09 per hour (30 weeks)

The Mennonite New Life Centre is committed to employment equity initiatives. We encourage internationally trained professionals and members of ethno-racial, aboriginal, immigrant, refugee, LGBT and disabled community groups to apply and self-identify. Internal and external candidates may apply. Please note that only candidates to be interviewed will be contacted.

Please apply by sending your resume and cover letter in a single MS Word or PDF document to Human Resources at jobs@mnlct.org no later than August 6th, 2018. Please quote reference #ADILIGHT2018 in the subject heading of your application.

For more information about the Mennonite New Life Centre visit: www.mnlct.org