Social Work Clinic Practice Coordinator

College/Division College of Arts, Law and Education
School/Section School of Social Sciences
Location Hobart
Classification HEO6
Reporting line Reports Head of Discipline of Social Work
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Position Summary

The University of Tasmania is building a vision of a place-based University with a mission to enhance the intellectual, economic, social and cultural future of Tasmania, and from Tasmania, contribute to the world in areas of distinctive advantage. The University recognises that achieving this vision is dependent on the people we employ as well as creating a people-centred University that is values-based, relational, diverse, and development-focused.

We are seeking to appoint a Social Work Clinic Practice Coordinator within the School of Social Sciences which sits within the College of Arts, Law and Education. We are a multi-campus school specialising in Sociology, Criminology, Social Work, Politics and Policy, International Relations, Tourism, Policing and Emergency Management. Students study with us across campuses in Hobart, Launceston and Burnie in Tasmania, at the Victorian Police Academy in Melbourne, and in Rozelle and Darlinghurst in New South Wales.

The position will work closely with the University of Tasmania Social Work Clinic and Research Service (SW-CARES) lead to support the core operations and deliverables of our newly established SW-CARES. Co-located with the University Psychology and Allied Health Clinics at our Sandy Bay campus, the SW-CARES provides cutting edge interdisciplinary professional training for our Bachelor of Social Work with Honours (BSW Hons) and Master of Social Work Qualifying (MSWQ) students.

We are an inclusive workplace committed to ‘working from the strength that diversity brings’ reflected in our Statement of Values. We are dedicated to attracting, retaining and developing our people and are committed to inclusive principles. We celebrate the range of diverse assets that gender identity, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, age and life course bring. Applications are encouraged from all sectors of the community. Tell us how we can make this job work for you.

What You’ll Do

- Coordinate, support and evaluate the SW-CARES operations in the designated area, including engaging with key stakeholders, developing new materials and resources and assisting with quality improvement.
- Supervise and mentor social work field education placements in the SW-CARES and facilitate interdisciplinary learning across Social Work, Psychology and Allied Health.
- Develop and maintain productive and effective partnerships inside the University and locally and nationally with the discipline, relevant interdisciplinary domains, profession, industry and/or wider community.
- Contribute to developing Indigenising and decolonising practices in the role.
- Undertake other duties as assigned by the supervisor.
What We’re Looking For (success criteria)

- Eligibility for membership of the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW).
- A degree in Social Work with at least 5 years full-time equivalent post qualifying practice experience in social work or a related field.
- A demonstrated ability to engage in quality improvement and make data driven decisions.
- A demonstrated ability to liaise and communicate with a broad range of stakeholders in a professional and engaging manner with a high level of cultural awareness and sensitivity.
- High level organisational and time management skills including the ability to work to tight deadlines.
- Highly developed negotiation and conflict resolution skills and the successful practical application of these.

Other position requirements

- Current Working with Vulnerable People registration (or to be obtained).
- Regular travel within Tasmania, and the possibility of other domestic or international travel.

University of Tasmania

The University of Tasmania is an institution with an enduring commitment to our state and community, and a strong global outlook. We are committed to enhancing the intellectual, economic, social and cultural future of Tasmania. Our Strategic Direction strongly reflects the University community's voice that our University must be place based but globally connected as well as regionally networked and designed to deliver quality access to higher education for the whole State.

We believe that from our unique position here in Tasmania we can impact the world through the contributions of our staff, students and graduates. We recognise that achieving this vision is dependent on the people we employ, as well as creating a university that is values-based, relational, diverse, and development-focused.

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The intention of this position description is to highlight the most important aspects, rather than to limit the scope or accountabilities of this role. Duties above may be altered in accordance with the changing requirements of the position.