CUNY Start

Job Title: Cooperating Math Teacher in the CUNY Start College Program, multiple positions
Location: LaGuardia Community College, The City University of New York

The CUNY Start Program is an intensive college transition program for college-bound high school and GED graduates who need to increase their proficiency in academic reading/writing and math before starting credit classes at CUNY.

The Math Cooperating Teacher position is a paid training opportunity to learn to use a successful, innovative, student-centered curriculum with CUNY students who have significant remedial math needs. The Math Cooperating Teacher is responsible for learning and supporting the work of the Core Math Instructor in implementing the CUNY Start College Transition Initiative Math curriculum.

It is anticipated that Cooperating Math Teachers will be eligible to apply for full time math teacher positions at several CUNY Start campuses in Spring 2012.

Responsibilities: Must be comfortable with and/or open to learning a curriculum and pedagogical approach that values student talk, alternative solution methods, inductive and other active-learning approaches to topics, and activities that build students’ conceptual understanding, beyond their knowledge of procedures.

- Learn Core Teacher’s lesson plans in advance of classes.
- Assist the Core Teacher in working with students.
- Teach increasing number of CUNY Start activities over the course of the semester.
- Attend regular professional development meetings.
- May be asked to assist in student recruitment or testing.

Requirements:
- Teaching experience in adult education/developmental skills/math education.
- Experience working with diverse, urban populations.
- Must be able to receive and incorporate feedback.
- Bachelors Degree minimum.

Employment:
- Appointment for a total 530 hours, approximately 20 hours per week
- $33.18 per hour, includes health benefits
- Appointment period: September–February 2012

Additional information about the CUNY Start/College Transition Initiative can be found at www.cuny.edu/cunystart. To apply, submit a cover letter and resume to Vicki Herschman at Vicki.herschman@mail.cuny.edu. In addition, please submit a copy of a math lesson plan that reveals some element of your teaching and learning values.
Math Course Description: Building on high school/GED-level math skills, Pre-College Math focuses on more complex topics in algebra. Topics include functions in new settings and the manipulation of expressions. Understanding is maximized through in-depth study of core math concepts in an interactive, supportive learning environment.