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Dr. Marilyn Chapman
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Dear Dr. Marilyn Chapman:

Enclosed is an advertisement for a tenure-track position in early childhood education in the Education Department at Moravian College. Moravian College is a selective residential undergraduate liberal arts college located in Bethlehem, PA, situated in the beautiful Lehigh Valley, with close proximity to Philadelphia and New York City. Although the notice has appeared in several publications I am sending this to you because I hope that you might be able to identify appropriate candidates who are particularly well-suited for this position. The individual who is hired would have an exciting opportunity to help build a program from the ground up and work in a department known for its collegiality.

Moravian College is an ideal site for working with pre-service teachers. There are many reasons, but I will cite a few. First of all, the education program is a vital and respected part of the College. Members of the Education Department work closely with faculty from other departments in many ways. For instance, members from other departments work in tandem with the Education Department to supervise secondary student teachers. Secondly, each student experiences a series of developmental field experiences. We work intensively with each student, getting to know them and guide their development. Department members would most likely identify this aspect of the program as one of the best parts of their work. Thirdly, our students are very serious about becoming teachers. They tend to be bright and committed and most are a joy to work with. Fourth, the Department is well respected in the Lehigh Valley. Our students are sought after for teaching positions and we have the pleasure of seeing them again when we go out and do our work in schools. Finally, in addition to our undergraduate program, the Department includes an exciting Masters level program, grounded in teacher action research. The successful candidate would also have an opportunity to teach returning teachers through the masters program, if they choose.

Please share the following ad with potential candidates and please urge any who would like to be involved in a dynamic program to send credentials to me. We seek all qualified candidates, but would be particularly interested in candidates who could support the Colleges initiative to increase diversity within the College community and curriculum.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Mayer

Professor of Education and Department Chair

MORAVIAN COLLEGE
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

**Assistant Professor of Education
Early Childhood Education**

The Moravian College Education Department invites applications for a tenure-track position in early childhood education beginning in Fall Term 2010. The successful candidate will teach undergraduate courses in the area of child development and assessment and will also help the Department continue to develop its new program in early childhood (Birth-Age 9) certification. The College welcomes candidates who can also teach courses that prepare all teacher education candidates to better instruct English language learners. The candidate must also be ready to share in the work of a thriving education department engaged in processes of both growth and redesign.

Opportunities to teach in other undergraduate areas, as well as within the graduate education program, will also be available. The undergraduate program offers certificates in early childhood education (Birth-Age 9), middle level education (4-8) most areas in secondary education (7-12), as well as certification in the K-12 areas of art, music, and foreign language. Qualified applicants must have a record of successful child-centered teaching at the early childhood/elementary level and hold an appropriate doctorate degree. ABD considered. In addition, the successful candidate must demonstrate a genuine desire to participate fully in a liberal arts environment and be committed first to teaching and next to scholarship and service.

Complete applications will be considered beginning October 30, 2009 and continue until an appointment is made. Please send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference in a digital Microsoft Word format to Mrs. Terry Kubera (tkubera@moravian.edu). Subject line should state "Attn Robert Mayer." Materials not available in Word format should be sent to Dr. Robert Mayer, Chair, PPHAC328, Education Department, Moravian College, 1200 Main Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018-6650.

Moravian College is a selective private liberal arts college in eastern Pennsylvania with a strong teacher education tradition. The enrollment in the regular day program is 1500 students. Founded in 1742, it is the sixth oldest college in the country. Moravian is located near New York City and Philadelphia, which affords easy access to many colleges and universities, as well as other scholarly and cultural resources. The College is committed to increasing the diversity of the College community and the curriculum. Candidates who can contribute to that goal are encouraged to identify their strengths or experiences in this area. Moravian College values diversity and encourages individuals from under-represented populations to apply.

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