

Job Vacancy Announcement

Head Coach - Women's Soccer

POSITION TITLE: Head Coach – Women's Soccer

JVA#: 2024-09

DEPARTMENT: Athletic Department

ABOUT BLUEFIELD STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS: Bluefield State University (BSU) is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II. BSU Athletics is home to 22 men's and women's varsity sports (12 new sports including football), offering qualified students rewarding opportunities in athletic competition, training, and support activities. Our dedicated coaches and staff are committed to recruiting promising student-athletes, developing their athletic and academic talents, and instilling leadership skills that contribute to their ultimate success in life.

POSITION SUMMARY: Reporting to the Director of Athletics, the **Head Coach – Women's Soccer** is responsible for providing leadership to develop student-athletes and implement a strong, competitive athletic program in their assigned sport while promoting the academic progress of student-athletes to achieve graduation. The Head Coach is accountable for student-athlete recruitment and development, fiscal integrity, fundraising, and for positively contributing to the goals and objectives of the assigned athletic program, the Athletic Department, and the College.

CORE RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Teach sports-specific skills toward the development of student-athletic performance, while
 promoting academic success of student-athletes to enhance academic progress and
 graduation rates.
- Provide leadership for the assigned sports program that adheres to the highest standard of
 integrity and professionalism, developing and delivering a high-quality experience to the
 student-athletes, while promoting the excellence of the specific program and the College at
 all times.
- Foster an environment that promotes the academic success, health, and welfare of studentathletes in the assigned program, working collaboratively with administrative offices as may be appropriate. Monitor the academic progress of student-athletes.
- Ensure assigned staff are equipped with the knowledge, preparation, and objectives to meet and/or exceed the program and departmental goals. Conduct performance management and provide professional development opportunities for assigned staff.
- Confirm assigned staff, including self, maintains required certifications and necessary training in life-saving techniques to promote the safety of student-athletes.
- Ensure compliance with all NCAA, and College rules and regulations.

- Conduct practice, contests and manage day-to-day operations of assigned program.

 Develop contest schedules and coordinate all team travel for assigned programs.

 Accountable for maintaining an accurate inventory of all equipment for assigned programs.
- Develop and implement comprehensive recruitment and retention of student-athletes.
- Be knowledgeable of and ensure compliance with relevant federal and state regulations, the policies of the governing board, and the policies of Bluefield State College as contained in the Academic Catalog, the Faculty Handbook, the Staff Handbook, and any other practices that are common to the institution.
- Perform the administrative duties associated with the responsibilities of Head Coach, including but not limited to establishing business and community relationships to solicit support; assisting with marketing the sports program to increase spectator engagement; administering the sport's budget, forecasting and controlling expenditures; preparing reports; participating in student-athlete scholarship activities, and participating in revenuegenerating and fundraising goal setting and activities for assigned program, the Athletic Department and the College at-large.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution is required. Masters preferred.
- Coaching experience for at least one regular season (at least 3-4 months), specific to the assigned sports program, required. At least two years of higher education coaching experience is preferred.
- Commitment to the mission of higher education, student academic success, and student well-being.
- Record of personal and fiscal integrity.
- Excellent organizational and strategic planning skills.
- Working knowledge of NCAA rules and regulations and Title IX compliance.
- Demonstrated excellent interpersonal, written, and oral communication skills.
- Demonstrated ability to build positive relationships and work effectively with individuals from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Ability to handle sensitive and confidential information with discretion.
- Ability to meet the extended hours and travel requirements of the position.
- NCAA Recruiting Test Certification (Division II University Portal). NCAA Recruiting Test Certification (Division II University Portal) must be passed within 60 days of hire (required by the NCAA for recruiting).
- Must maintain a valid State Driver's License.
- Must obtain CPR Certification within 120 days of start date/upon hire, and maintain certification in good standing at all times during employment in this position.

POSITION CLASSIFICATION/COMPENSATION: This position is Nonclassified, Full-time, carries an Exempt status under the Fair Labor Standards Act, and serves at the will and pleasure of the President. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Position is dependent upon available funding.

THE UNIVERSITY: The mission of Bluefield State University is to provide students with an affordable, accessible opportunity for public higher education. A historically black institution, Bluefield State University prepares students for diverse professions, graduate study, informed citizenship, community involvement, and public service in an ever-changing global society. More information about the University is available at www.bluefieldstate.edu

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Completed applications are to be submitted in electronic format only to humanresources@bluefieldstate.edu and must include:

- 1. Letter of interest specific to the position (please detail sport-specific experience);
- 2. A completed BSU Employment Application (form available at https://www.bluefieldstate.edu/resources/human-resources/jobs
- 3. Resume/CV;
- 4. Contact information for at least three professional references; and
- 5. Transcripts (unofficial transcripts are acceptable for the application process; official transcripts will be required of the selected candidate.

Please **do not** include photographs or any personal information (e.g. D.O.B., place of birth, etc.) on your application for supporting documents. *Also, Bluefield State University does not provide H1B visa or employment sponsorship.*

DATE POSTED: March 25, 2024

CLOSING DATE: For full consideration, applications must be received by 4:00 pm EST, Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Review of applications will begin immediately. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled; however, applications received after the deadline may not receive full consideration.

Bluefield State University is an HBCU, AA/EOE/ADA employer, committed to the principle that minorities, women, veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. The university complies with all applicable federal and state laws designed to promote equal educational and employment opportunities. Bluefield State University does not provide an H1B visa or employment sponsorship.