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Position opening: Graduate Assistant, Innocence Institute of Point Park University

Position: Graduate Assistants (2)– Innocence Institute of Point Park University

Department: School of Communication

Term of appointment: One-year assignment, renewable for second year, beginning with the 2009-10 academic year. Assignment is nine months, September through April, with the prospect of some summer employment. Academic year starts Aug. 31, 2009.

Salary: At least \$6,400 annual stipend (\$3,200 per semester) plus fully paid tuition and fees.

Requirements: Undergraduate degree in journalism, mass communication, media studies, or similar degree with professional or student experience in print media. Experience with investigative reporting highly preferred. Aptitude for, and strong interest in, investigative journalism and/or reporting on criminal justice topics required. Applicants for the assistantship must already have been admitted into the M.A. program and must commit to enroll in a minimum of nine (9) credits per semester.

Primary duties: To engage in research and investigative journalism on possible wrongful convictions and related articles, all of which have the potential to be posted on the Innocence Institute's Web site, published in Justice magazine and/or disseminated through other media. Assist Innocence Institute director in all aspects of Institute's operations, including helping to supervise work-study students. Assistant might also teach undergraduate courses for additional compensation. Assistant will work 20 hours per week during the academic year. Summer employment to assist in HS workshops and other department work might be available.

Qualified applicants should submit, by Monday, March 30, 2009, a letter of application, resume, available published work samples, and names and contact information for several references to:

Dr. Dane S. Claussen, Graduate Programs Director
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Point Park University
Wood Street & Boulevard of the Allies
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-1984

Applications will be accepted until position is filled, but the successful applicant should be notified by April 30, 2009.

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