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	Branch Alliance for Educator Diversity (BranchED) Professional Development Associate
Organizational Description	More than half of American public-school students are children of color, and only 18% of their teachers are from these same racial and ethnic groups. The Branch Alliance for Educator Diversity (BranchED) was founded in 2017 to support Minority Serving Institutions (HBCUs, HSIs, tribal colleges, and others) to maximize programming and drive innovation in preparing highly-effective educators who reflect and champion the diversity of our nation's school children. These 253 Minority Serving Institutions comprise 13% of education providers in the United States, but prepare 51% of all Hispanic students earning bachelor's degrees in education, 51% of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander teacher candidates, 38% of African American teacher candidates, and 35% of bachelor's degrees in education for Native Americans and Asian Americans.
	BranchED is the first and only non-profit organization in the nation that is dedicated to strengthening and growing educator preparation at MSIs, with the larger goals of both diversifying the teaching profession and intentionally addressing critical issues of educational equity for all students. BranchED has three goals that guide its work:
	 Empower: working together to strengthen and grow MSI educator preparation programs by providing capacity building support that enhances MSI capabilities Connect: strengthening relationships among MSIs by building partnerships to spur collaboration and innovation
	 Advance: amplifying a collective voice and advocating for shared interests by promoting awareness of educator diversity and championing MSIs
Position Objective	The Professional Development Associate (PDO) works collaboratively with BranchED team members to design professional development and design and curate resources, tools, and templates on various topics related to BranchED's quality framework. Professional development sessions are provided in a variety of formats including face-to-face, on-site, and virtually using synchronous and/or asynchronous methods. Instruction is specifically tailored to the strengths and needs of the participants who include faculty and administrators. This may range from providing support on implementing BranchED's diagnostic tools to enhancing faculty pedagogical practices. The PDO also works with the BranchED team members to research best practices and develop information briefs to inform our core community.



Essential	Curriculum Development and Instructional Design
Functions	
	 Designs, develops, and curates resources, templates, and tool kits aligned to professional development topics/domain areas.
	 Designs, developments, and implements strategic learning and development programs
	 Researches, creates, and customizes professional-quality professional development materials for face-to-face and online session
	 Develops criteria for evaluating effectiveness of professional development and regularly monitors and reports results to management, along with recommendations for improvement as appropriate.
	 Maintains confidentiality of client, participant, and institutional information Uses creativity and innovation in resource development and service delivery Utilizes knowledge of adult learning styles, instructional design, group
	dynamics, interactive learning methods, quality improvement processes, and group process facilitation to enhance program portfolio
	 Reviews instructional materials from a variety of vendors and chooses appropriate materials based on intended goals and objectives of the sessions Evaluates and updates instructional materials and delivery to keep current with new techniques
	 Develops and maintains contact with professional associations, colleges/universities, and other resource agencies to stay abreast of new instructional approaches and technologies.
	Professional Development Facilitation
	 Works with BranchED team members to support development and delivery of small and large group professional development and corresponding resources to a range of audiences using a variety of instructional approaches and delivery methodologies (face-to-face, online, blended, synchronous, asynchronous).
	 Identifies opportunities to supplement instructor-led professional development with eLearning content.
	 Integrates assessment tools as appropriate into learning and development offerings.
	 Works with the Project Manager and other team members to manage program logistics including meeting space, equipment, supplies, etc. of assigned courses.
	 Partners with team members and other stakeholders to ensure program alignment and cross-functional awareness
	<u>Other</u>



	 Help cultivate an intentional organizational culture representing organizational values Contribute to a high-performing and mission-driven team necessary to support excellent programming Other duties as assigned
Education & Experience	 Master's degree required in education, or relevant field At least 4 years work experience in teaching, teacher preparation, curriculum design, or related field Experience with developing aesthetically pleasing resource materials and presentations Strong skills in developing organizational structures to facilitate storage of information/resources Strong presentation and facilitation skills and previous experience using instructional technology Excellent written and extraordinary oral communication skills Excellent organizational skills with the ability to handle multiple tasks simultaneously Experience working with Microsoft Office 365 including Publisher, audio/video conferencing software, contact management software, document management software, group calendars, project management software, and other design and collaboration tools Experience collecting and analyzing data and documenting project progress
Personal Characteristics	 A passion and commitment to transforming teacher preparation programs in Minority Serving Institutions Initiative with the ability to anticipate needs and future opportunities Creative problem-solver with ability to identify and address issues proactively Committed to equity and diversity Ability to thrive in a fast-paced environment and willingness to 'roll up sleeves' to get things done Ability to cultivate respectful, strategic, and collaborative relationships with people from diverse backgrounds both internally and externally A positive attitude, high degree of flexibility, curiosity to learn, creativity, dedication, resourcefulness, and energy Ability to maintain confidentiality of sensitive information Willingness and ability to travel Self-motivated with the ability to work independently and be proactive, as well as work effectively in a team and across functional groups



	 Must be confident, 100% reliable, energetic with a positive attitude, accept responsibility, and handle pressure well
Compensation	Competitive with skills and experience. The Branch Alliance offers a competitive
	benefits package.
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Reports	
Reports To	Senior Vice President
Location	Flexible
Setting	This position operates in a general office setting. Occasional travel and lifting are
	expected.

Application Procedure

Nominations or applications (with current resume **and** letter of interest) should be sent confidentially, electronically to <u>talent@educatordiversity.org</u>. Please include in your email the position for which you are applying. The review of applications will begin immediately and will continue on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

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