

Founded in 1927, Austin Peay State University is a comprehensive, state-assisted university with an enrollment of approximately 9,000 students. APSU was named in honor of the late Tennessee Governor Austin Peay, who served from 1923–1927.

With a main campus in Clarksville, Tenn. and a satellite campus on post at Fort Campbell, Ky., APSU is one of 47 universities, community colleges and technology centers in the Tennessee Board of Regents system, the sixth largest system of higher education in the nation. The University offers a full range of academic programs at the associate, baccalaureate and master's degree levels in the arts, sciences, business and selected professional programs. APSU offers 13 online degree programs and hundreds of Web-based classes. Among APSU's many points of distinction are its outstanding programs in the sciences, two centers of excellence in the creative arts and field biology and four chairs of excellence in the creative arts, business, free enterprise and nursing.

An integral part of Clarksville, a rapidly growing city of more than 100,000 located 45 minutes northwest of Nashville, the University led the state in enrollment growth in recent years. Since 2000, Austin Peay has renovated and erected numerous top-of-the-line facilities on its 160-acre main. Of the universities offering classes on post at Fort Campbell, only APSU has been given permission to construct its own building. The University enrolls more students at the Fort Campbell Center than the other five institutions combined.

**Trainer
Social Work
Regular Full-Time, Grant Funded Position
(Renewal contingent upon grant funding)
Position Number 318036**

General Description

The Trainer will provide training for all Department of Children's Services (DCS) employees in the Mid-Cumberland Region.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

- Plan and develop training based on assessed needs using in-house resources as well as those available outside the Department, such as universities, experts in their fields, private contractors, etc.
- Provide training to Department staff and foster parents based on assessed needs and provide technical assistance to Protection and Permanency staff regarding education and training-related matters as well as particular areas of specialization.
- Provide training to DCS employees in all of the following areas:
 - Pre-service new
 - In-service
 - Legally defensible interviewing
 - Training for trainers
 - Home study training
 - Independent living
 - Regional conference on foster care
 - Annual conference of the Tennessee Foster Care Association (TFCA)
 - PATH training for trainers
 - Juvenile Justice Foster Parent in-service
 - TFCA advocacy program
 - Local Foster Parent Association training and support
 - Development of Provider Policy manual
- Perform other job-related duties as assigned.

Essential Functions

- Ability to effectively develop and plan training programs.
- Ability to travel statewide with some overnight lodging.
- Ability to effectively use a personal computer and associated software.
- Ability to communicate effectively.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality.
- Ability to interact in an effective and appropriate manner with diverse populations, the University community and the public.
- Ability to prepare and maintain accurate training records and reports

Minimum Required Qualifications

- Bachelor's of Social Work. Related degrees may be considered if the applicant demonstrates the skills and abilities necessary to be an effective trainer.
- Minimum of two years of experience in public or private child welfare programs.
- A background check will be required of the successful applicant.

Additional Preferred Qualifications

- MSW and training experience preferred.

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