## UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON GRADUATE COLLEGE of SOCIAL WORK

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Job Title	Employment Specialist
Employer/ Agency	Jewish Family Service
Job Description	Provides specialized individual vocational counseling and job coaching to clients to find and maintain employment within supportive and competitive employment.  Duties and Responsibilities  • Assist clients with pre-vocational needs: resume writing, interviewing and networking skills; post vocational needs: new hire orientation accommodations, transportation and work adjustment.  • Provides advice on vocational goals, government benefits and education resources.  • Assess the vocational, social communication and independent skills of clients  • Assess job tasks and skills of jobs and initiate conversation with employers.  • Identify job site and job duties accommodations and/or modifications.  • Provides on-going vocational support to client while employed including advice on accommodations, "in-between" work skills, and change in management.  • Provides advice to parents, therapists, teachers and supportive personal.  • Develops and maintains relationships with employers and community resources particularly those in the disability community.
Qualifications	<ul> <li>Bachelor's degree required (Master's preferred) in counseling, social work, psychology, human relations, or human resources.</li> <li>Minimum 3 years work experience in employment services including supported employment services, career counseling, human resources or mental health therapy services.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Current knowledge of general principles and methods of job search including resume writing, networking and interviewing skills.</li> <li>Strong ability to advise clients about career opportunities while exhibiting sensitivity to clients' physical and mental health.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Ability to obtain DARS certification: job coaching and job placement.</li> <li>Strong written, verbal and computer skills.</li> <li>Ability to teach and/or mentor adults.</li> <li>Ability to drive to employers and make home visits to clients.</li> <li>Ability to work some evenings and weekends.</li> </ul>
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Application Method	Send letter of interest with resume via e-mail or fax.
Opening Date	Immediate

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