Binghamton University – Services for Students with Disabilities
Graduate Assistantship for Academic Support

The Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) office operates under the Division of Student Affairs and offers a wide range of assistance to Binghamton University students with physical, learning or other disabilities. Its mission is to facilitate the educational and personal development of Binghamton University students with disabilities and to collaborate with colleagues across Divisions to enhance the architectural and attitudinal accessibility of the campus environment. The office serves a multidimensional role as service provider, educator and advocate for equal access. Operational philosophy is based firmly on the belief that the individuals served are students first and that their disabilities are secondary. SSD embraces a vision for itself and the university in which it is recognized as a premier Disability Services provider in higher education, reflecting a demonstrated university-wide commitment to excellence in disability access and inclusion.

The SSD Graduate Assistant position is an integral part of a close knit professional team and is responsible for assisting the Director and Learning Disabilities Specialist with prioritized services, activities and initiatives within its operation.

Description of Duties:

Autism Initiative
- Provide leadership in the ongoing development of an Autism Initiative aimed at enhancing the campus, community and job connections for students on the Autism Spectrum.
- Meet regularly with students on the Autism Spectrum
- Manage Facebook page
- Develop relationships with appropriate campus offices.

SSD
- Outreach and in-service education & liaison with Undergraduate and Graduate student organizations.

Qualifications:
Candidates must be accepted into a Binghamton University graduate program for the 2016-2017 academic year. The successful candidate must have:
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including comfort and ability with public speaking;
- Have an understanding of a wide range of learning and psychological disabilities
- Demonstrated strengths in organization and attention to detail
- Effective problem-solving and active listening skills
- Comfort reaching out to and working with diverse students having various disabilities
- Good Microsoft Word computing skills, with ability and willingness to quickly develop proficiency in various adaptive computer technologies

Stipend:
This assistantship includes a salary stipend for the 2016-2017 Academic Year at an annual salary of $9,400, paid biweekly. This position is represented by the Graduate Student Employees Union (GSEU) and the stipend includes all potential union-negotiated raises applicable for the academic year. Twenty hours of work per week is expected.

TO APPLY: Persons interested should submit the general application on the Student Affairs website, resume, letter of interest summarizing qualifications and relevant experience, and three (3) references including reference contact information to dgray@binghamton.edu.

For questions specifically related to this position, please call Dianne Gray in Services for Students with Disabilities at (607) 777-2686.