

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL is seeking a **full-time visitor for academic year 2017-18 to teach legal writing courses**. The person hired will teach a series of legal writing and analysis courses to 1L and 2L students. These courses will be delivered in seven-week or semester-long sessions as part of Valparaiso's innovative curriculum.

In the Fall semester, the visitor will likely teach: 1) Foundations (first seven weeks) and 2) Legal Communications (second seven weeks). In the Spring semester, the visitor will likely teach: 1) Legal Writing I (full semester) and 2) Legal Writing II (appellate advocacy or introduction to drafting; first or second seven weeks). The visitor may also be asked to teach an additional one-credit legal writing course in one of the two semesters. The opportunity may exist to teach a course outside the legal writing field, depending on visitor preferences and law school needs. The VU Law Bulletin descriptions of these courses can be found at: <http://www.valpo.edu/law/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/2016-Bulletin-.pdf> starting on page 39.

The visitor will coordinate with other faculty members teaching each course to establish major assignment due dates, lengths, and other details. A model syllabus exists for each course and faculty members often share major assignments across sections. The anticipated class size for each of these courses is twenty to twenty-five students. Legal writing professors are supported by student teaching assistants, whose duties vary with the course being taught. These courses do not include research instruction. Valparaiso Law has a separate legal research program taught by faculty librarians.

Questions about the curriculum may be addressed to Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Professor of Law, and Interim Legal Writing Director David R. Cleveland at david.cleveland@valpo.edu or (219) 465-7853.

This position is a single-year visitorship only. The visitor will be permitted to apply for a full-time faculty position, should one become available, on the same basis as any other interested applicant.

Qualified candidates will have a JD degree from an ABA-accredited law school. Applicants with experience teaching legal writing are preferred.

Application Procedure: Applications will be accepted until **February 27**. Applicants should submit (1) a cover letter, (2) a CV, and (3) a list of three references with their contact information. These materials should be sent either electronically or in hard copy to: Appointments Committee Chair, Professor Del Wright at del.wright@valpo.edu or Valparaiso University Law School, 656 Greenwich Street, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383.

University Information:

Candidates should be interested in working at a university engaged in issues in Christian higher education in the Lutheran tradition.

Valparaiso University does not unlawfully discriminate and aims to employ persons of various backgrounds and experiences to develop and support a diverse community. Its entire EOE policy can be found at: <http://www.valpo.edu/general-counsel/policies/equal-opportunity-policy/>. Successful applicants will demonstrate a commitment to cultural diversity and the ability to work with individuals or groups from diverse backgrounds. In addition to strong academic qualifications and excellence in teaching, the University highly values experience in working across cultural and other significant differences.

Employment at Valparaiso University will require a satisfactory criminal background check.