Job Opening

Companion Synod Coordinator for the South Dakota Synod

The South Dakota Synod is seeking to hire a part-time companion synod coordinator.

The ideal candidate for the position of the companion synod coordinator has experience in working with consulates, visa applications and process. The candidate also needs to display exemplary organizational, communication and time management skills. They need to be extremely self-motivated and live the understanding of shared governance as part of the synod's leadership team. Ideally, but not a requirement, the candidate should be fluent in either French or Spanish, or at least show a desire to learn new language(s), as it shows our international partners that the South Dakota Synod values and invests into these relationships wholly.

Last, but not least, the companion synod coordinator position is a part-time position without benefits, but ideally works remotely. At times the coordinator will be asked to accompany groups on their cultural immersion trips, but the main tasks of the position are two-fold:

- 1. To coordinate the trip for each group traveling and,
- 2. To resource, empower, and equip the companion synod committee to share the ministry story of the synod's partnership with the Lutheran Church in Nicaragua and Cameroon.

Any interested and qualified candidates can apply by sending a cover letter and resume along with the provided essay questionnaire to Bishop Constanze Hagmaier at chagmaier@sdsynod.org.

About the South Dakota Synod, ELCA

The South Dakota Synod is one of 65 synods in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The ELCA is a member of the Lutheran World Federation. As people of the South Dakota Synod, we journey together in Christ through faithful witness to the Gospel. Learn more at sdsynod.org.

Questionnaire – Companion Synod Coordinator

1. What qualifies you to serve as the next Companion Synod Coordinator? Please list examples of applied and successful implementation of the skills outlined in the job description and qualifications needed.

2. Share a story or more about your successful implementation of group empowerment that you initiated and directed. What are insights you gained and how to do you think you will apply them in this call?