

LETTERS

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LABOUR SHORTAGE

48 hours to fill position at college

I have read numerous articles in The Daily Courier paper regarding the labour shortage that is occurring in the Valley. One can certainly see how true this is.

A case in point was an ad in your paper from Okanagan College looking for a senior computer programmer.

The ad was placed only once in the paper, in Saturday's edition on Feb. 24, with a closing date of Feb. 26.

The ad had been in the paper a whole 48 hours before the closing date when a qualified applicant

was found. In the ad, they mentioned something about needing four years of experience in an educational institution.

I wonder just where someone could get this kind of experience in the Valley?

What a coincidence! We just happen to have an educational institution right here in the Valley: Okanagan College.

The staff at Okanagan College must have been on pins and needles waiting that 48 hours for a qualified applicant to show up. Heck, they probably had to close the college down because of lack of interest

in the position and possible staff shortages.

Maybe in the future, it would be easier just to add to the ad, at which building or office number and seat number at the college the person should have been working for that four years of experience that is required.

This would make the selection process much simpler because they could screen out applicants just by asking if they were working in a particular building here at the college for four years.

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