Position: Information Services Coordinator

DEPARTMENT: Office of Sponsored Programs

IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR: Senior Manager, Information Services

POSTING DATE: February 27, 2018

CLOSING DATE: Open until Filled

SALARY: Range: $18.00-$21.00 per hour, DOQ/E

Full Time, Benefited

EXEMPT STATUS: Non Exempt (hourly)

GENERAL NATURE OF POSITION:
The SJSU Research Foundation Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) partners with the SJSU Office of Research to assist faculty in the pursuit of external funding for sponsored research, service projects, and other discretionary activities. Fully committed to delivering best in class services, OSP serves as the central coordination point for all grants and contracts, and partners with principal investigators (PIs) to ensure compliance with federal, state, and institutional policies. The OSP Information Services team manages an array of grant-related resources and is responsible for identifying and disseminating information about funding sources, grant search tools, and other research related trends and updates to the university community.

As a member of the Information Services team, this position plays a key role in the timely dissemination of funding opportunities and other grant related information, production of the monthly Research Foundation bulletin, and provides specialized administrative and coordination support for Information Services and for other Office of Sponsored Programs teams, as appropriate. This position also assists with planning and coordinating monthly workshops, meetings, the SJSU Student Research Forum, and other events.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Review funding guidelines; distill and enter the information into the Research Foundation Funding Alert System, and distribute the material to faculty in a timely fashion. Accurately match keywords with funding opportunities to ensure that faculty receive information tailored to their areas of interest; perform custom funding searches as requested.

2. Assist with the web content updates and maintenance of OSP web pages.

3. In collaboration with the senior manager, coordinate scheduling and services (transportation, equipment, catering, signage, etc.) for OSP workshops, webinars, and other special events.

4. Assist with department training on Information Services processes as needed.

5. Assist with design, proofreading, and coordination of OSP communications such as flyers, bulletins, programs, and packet documents.
6. Create and update forms and other documents as required (OSP and other departments as required).
7. Monitor and maintain OSP/Information Services publication subscriptions and list-servs, as assigned.
8. Assist with Annual Report publication and other special projects, as assigned.
9. Create and maintain OSP tracking databases or spreadsheet.
10. Perform department clerical functions such as formatting, filing, and copying as required.

INTERPERSONAL CONTACTS:
1. Reports to the Senior Manager of Information Services
2. Frequently works and interacts with department staff and managers, other Research Foundation co-workers and university faculty and administrators.

QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Education
   Bachelor’s degree required. A certification (such as Business Writing or Web Design) in a related specialized area of study desired.
2. Experience
   • Minimum three years of general office experience, including typing, word processing is required.
   • Content development, business writing, database maintenance desired.
   • Experience in website maintenance, specifically, understanding of the web postings process; HTML experience a plus.
   • One year of experience in a university auxiliary environment or similar environment preferred.
3. Knowledge, Skills, Abilities required
   • Excellent writing skills; grammar, spelling, and punctuation.
   • Demonstrated ability to extract and compose an article from original text.
   • Ability to work effectively and maintain cooperative working relationships with others.
   • Working knowledge of current computer and office automation equipment.
   • Proficient in Internet research, MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Adobe Creative Cloud (InDesign, Acrobat, Photoshop), or other applicable software packages.
   • Working knowledge of web page creation and maintenance; familiarity with web enhancing software desired.
   • Ability to type at least 45 WPM.
   • Ability to use initiative and sound independent judgment within established guidelines.
   • Ability to organize work, set priorities and meet critical deadlines with little supervision.
4. Physical Requirement
   • Must be able to operate a PC including mouse and keyboard.
   • Must be able to operate general office equipment.
   • Must be able to sit for extended periods of time.
   • Visual acuity associated with concentrated computer use.
   • Must be able to push, pull, carry, or lift up to 20 lbs., with or without aids.
5. Complexity of Duties
   • Works under general supervision on specific assignments following established policies, procedures and practices.
   • Work is subject to regular checks and review to ensure compliance with procedures.
   • Failure to achieve results is normally capable of being overcome without serious effect on schedules and programs.
PLEASE NOTE: This position is considered a “sensitive” position by SJSURF and CSU policy. Consequently, the successful candidate must undergo and successfully complete the Live Scan (fingerprinting) background check as a condition of their employment. This background check must be completed before the actual start of employment.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

None.

This position description intends to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this job. It is not intended to include all duties and responsibilities. The order in which duties and responsibilities are listed is not significant.

6. Benefits

The comprehensive benefit package includes:

   a) Ten health insurance plans to choose from
   b) Free dental and vision for employee and eligible dependents
   c) Paid Federal & State Holidays
   d) Retirement Plan: 403 (b) employee contribution plan component and a 403 (b) employer contribution component
   f) Vacation and separate sick plans
   g) Employee Discounts
   h) Paid Training and Conferences

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

None, although may be called upon for advice and direction by others.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

To apply for this position, an applicant must submit a formal application for employment, as well as a resume and a cover letter. The applicant may do this via e-mail or by regular mail. The formal employment application is located at http://www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/open/Employment%20application%2010-18%20pdf.pdf

It may also be obtained from the Research Foundation through its website at http://www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/open/index.html.

An applicant may also apply in person by visiting the Research Foundation, located at 210 North 4th Street, 4th Floor, San Jose, CA (corner of St. James and North 4th Streets). Please address your formal application, your resume and your letter of interest directly to:

San Jose State University Research Foundation
Attn: HR/Job Code INFSC
210 North 4th Street
San Jose, CA 95112
E-mail: foundation-jobs@sjsu.edu
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