



JOB FAMILY CONCEPT

This family consists of four levels of administrative support/coordination work. Levels are distinguished based on the complexity of the work, level of supervision received, and the degree of autonomy. This job family is distinguished from the Administrative Specialist family by having primary responsibility for carrying out office/administrative tasks. Positions typically perform one or more of the following functions in support of a program or department.

- Budget Maintenance/Purchasing
- Academic Program Support
- Office Support
- Office Management
- Event Coordination
- Travel Coordination
- Records Management
- Personnel Support

TYPICAL FUNCTIONS

The typical functions listed are typical examples of work performed by positions in this job classification. Not all functions assigned to every position are included, nor is it expected that all positions will be assigned every typical function.

Budget Maintenance/Purchasing

- Prepare invoices and payments of claims, requisitions, purchase requests, and other fiscal duties
- Request budget revisions
- Process purchase requests, journal vouchers, and requisitions
- Enter and extract financial information from the Banner system
- Assist in preparing contract budgets, grant applications, proposals, status reports, and financial statements
- Prepare monthly and yearly projections for unit management of unit operation and associated costs
- Participate in preparation of unit budget projections, plans, and tracking
- Prepare deposits, and/or maintain department soft ledgers
- Make recommendations on budget allocation decisions
- Process small purchases via university credit card
- May reconcile departmental records with central records, make routine corrections as necessary, or prepare recommendations for corrective action
- Serve as petty cash custodian
- May serve as signature authority
- May request large purchases from procurement office and recommend items for purchase



Academic Program Support

- Collect and record student grades
- Proctor exams and/or distribute exam materials
- Prepare faculty evaluations
- Order textbooks for faculty
- Submit changes and additions to course listings
- Assist students with academic program questions
- Assist faculty with course support

Office Support

- Answer the phone, take messages, and disseminate information
- Screen calls/correspondence, answer routine inquiries, and/or provide information or refer inquiries to appropriate staff members
- Open, sort, distribute, collect, and deliver mail
- Maintain an inventory of equipment and supplies
- Order supplies and equipment to support offices, programs, labs, etc
- Receive or deliver materials and equipment
- Proofread typed materials for grammatical and typographical errors (e.g., correspondence, reports, manuscripts, articles)
- Prepare correspondence which may include editing drafts, composing correspondence for supervisor's signature, drafting letters or memorandums, and/or initiating correspondence requiring knowledge of procedures and processes
- Compile information for routine reports, directories, course support, org charts, etc
- Prepare brochures, newsletters, flyers, event schedules, marketing materials, and/or news releases for dissemination to internal/external audiences. May include proofreading/editing drafts, creating first drafts, using desktop publishing software to layout documents, and/or coordinating the printing/publishing/distribution process
- Maintain supervisor's calendar; advise about commitments and schedule appointments
- Schedule meetings, including reserving facility and arranging audio/video support
- May determine which visitors need to be seen by supervisor
- Record and transcribe proceedings of meetings and conferences
- Coordinate with other divisions or units as needed to clarify policies and procedures
- Maintain and develop routine web pages
- Respond to complaints and routine requests for information
- Verify and review materials for completeness and conformance with established regulations and procedures
- Operate automated text and data processing equipment to input, access, and retrieve data
- Operate and troubleshoot photocopiers, fax machines, and printers
- Photocopy materials as needed for department staff
- Open/close offices (maintain office keys)
- Maintain office conference room facilities
- Coordinate contractual maintenance for office software/hardware



- Coordinate Capital Inventory/Property
- May develop procedural manuals
- Troubleshoot and resolve problems that may arise during day-to-day office operations

Office Management

- Train staff
- Assign projects to staff as needed
- May supervise lower level staff
- Interview, hire, train, and evaluate the performance of assigned staff
- Represent the department in matters as authorized
- Represent supervisor at meetings to furnish or obtain information
- May supervise or coordinate a specialized function
- May develop internal processing or departmental procedures
- Prepare visa documents in coordination with international campus offices

Event Coordination

- Coordinate activities with internal and external customers
- Arrange special conferences and meetings
- Coordinate the use of facilities, services, and equipment
- May include fiscal responsibilities associated with events
- Negotiate with vendors or event planners to secure best contract terms possible
- Supervise special events to ensure positive outcome
- Troubleshoot and resolve special situations that arise during event

Travel Coordination

- Coordinate travel and accommodation arrangements for department staff as necessary
- Prepare and submit travel claims, expense reports, and reimbursement requests

Records Management

- Enter and retrieve information using personal computer
- Develop, maintain, and track records or confidential or complex files which may include but are not limited to: student records, faculty files, or personnel files
- File and retrieve records and reports
- Organize and maintain filing systems; maintain records related to specific area of assignment
- Maintain databases

Personnel Support

- Provide logistical support and coordination for search committees or recruitment processes
- Process paperwork for personnel actions including new hires, terminations, and promotions
- Coordinate preparation of visa documents
- Collect and verify employee payroll and timekeeping records



LEVELS AND COMPETENCIES

The primary distinction between levels is reflected in the Level Descriptors. As levels increase, the scope, complexity, and degree of independence increase. Higher levels may perform duties of lower levels. Education and experience are stated at the minimum threshold for the level. Additional education or experience may be desirable for some positions.

Level 1

PCLS: 01201

**Grade 74
Non-Exempt**

Descriptors

Work is performed under direct supervision. Performs basic clerical support for an office through the performance of such tasks as typing, filing, sorting mail, copying documents, and serving as a receptionist. This level is distinguished from higher levels by the immediate availability and closeness of supervision, routine and repetitive nature of tasks, and specific, clearly stated directions.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Knowledge of basic computer operations. Knowledge of basic phone skills and etiquette. Skilled in providing excellent customer service. Ability to operate and troubleshoot basic office equipment. Ability to communicate effectively. Ability to maintain confidentiality. Ability to follow directions given by supervisors or co-workers. Ability to file and track information.

Education and Experience

High School graduation and 6 months office/administrative experience or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Level 2

PCLS: 01202

**Grade 75
Non-Exempt**

Descriptors

Work is performed under general supervision. Performs a variety of office clerical assignments of average difficulty and/or defined clerical services in support of a specific regulatory, program, service, or organizational function. This is a fully proficient level, requiring knowledge and experience to perform various office assignments. May *lead student or temporary employees. Positions in this level are distinguished from Level 1 by the performance of a wide variety of more complex tasks, working more independently, and using initiative to carry out recurring assignments. This level is distinguished from higher levels in that positions perform tasks as assigned or as defined by established procedures, rather than determining the scope of work to be accomplished, determining methods, and setting priorities.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Knowledge of relational databases, such as the Banner system. Knowledge of computer programs of intermediate difficulty. Basic fiscal skills. Ability to use computer scheduling programs. Ability to



multi-task and prioritize projects. Ability to establish and maintain files and recordkeeping systems. Ability to communicate effectively.

Education and Experience

High School graduation and 1 year office/administrative experience or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Level 3

PCLS: 01203

Grade 76

Non-Exempt

Descriptors

Work is performed under intermittent supervision. May lead lower level staff and/or serve as an office facilitator in a more centralized office setting. In a lead role, assigns and participates in clerical functions in order to ensure the smooth organization and work flow in an office. This level is distinguished from lower levels by the increased latitude in determining methods and setting priorities, rather than performing tasks as defined by established procedure and processes.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Knowledge of advanced computer programs and operations . Knowledge of design and maintenance of web sites. Fiscal skills at a level comparable to the fiscal responsibilities of a Fiscal Technician 2. Ability to lead employees. Ability to solve problems independently. Ability to analyze situations and solve problems.

Education and Experience

High School graduation and 2 years office/administrative experience or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Level 4

PCLS: 01204

Grade 77

Non-Exempt

Descriptors

Work is performed under administrative supervision. Performs specialized complex clerical work and/or a wide variety of clerical services requiring independence, judgment, and initiative in determining office needs, in prioritizing and organizing work, and in determining the appropriate action to be taken. May supervise office support staff and/or may coordinate large/specialized projects or events. May serve as the office manager for a department. This is the advanced level which is distinguished by its significant latitude to determine methods of performing the work, using judgment, and setting priorities for a wide variety of clerical processes.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

In depth budget and fiscal skills. Advanced internet research skills. Ability to supervise and set priorities for staff. Ability to coordinate events. Ability to perform well under pressure. Knowledge of basic contracts and ability to negotiate these basic contracts. Ability to create reports for management using data gathered from various sources.



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ADMINISTRATIVE GENERALIST

Job Classification

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Education and Experience

High School graduation and 3 years progressively responsible office/administrative experience or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

- * Lead: Provide day-to-day guidance, training and direction for staff in addition to other duties. Regularly assign and review work. Fluent in assigned area of responsibility.

Supervise: Hire, train, evaluate performance, and initiate corrective action.