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P4: Level Standards

GENERAL ROLE

This level is accountable for directly providing service to any assigned work unit at the University. The service can focus on a single or a variety of job functions with varying degrees of independence. Positions at this level may supervise student or support employees.

Incumbents:

- Put into effect what is required by defined job duties and responsibilities following professional norms or established procedures and protocols for guidance.
- Alter the order in which work or a procedure is performed to improve efficiency and effectiveness.
- Recommend or implement modifications to practices and procedures to improve efficiency and quality, directly affecting the specific office operation or departmental procedure or practice.

INDEPENDENCE AND DECISION-MAKING

→ Supervision Received
  - Works under direction.

→ Context of Decisions
  - Decisions should involve selecting an approach from among alternatives, timing when certain tasks should be performed, determining how to best use available resources, and other similar choices.
  - Decisions require more coordination and collaboration among different sources, taking into consideration the roles and impact on work outside the immediate organization.

→ Job Controls
  - Has the latitude to make decisions on projects that they are accountable for delivering on.
  - Free to plan and carry out all phases of work assignments.
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**COMPLEXITY AND PROBLEM SOLVING**

→ **Range of issues**
  - Assignments are defined as less reoccurring or cyclical tasks, and primarily consist of development or refinement of programmatic or administrative objectives.

→ **Course of Resolution**
  - Resolution and project completion require substantial planning and scheduling within the department in order to obtain and align resources when and where needed.

→ **Measure of Creativity**
  - Problems are not amenable to strict technical resolution, requiring innovative thinking.

**COMMUNICATION EXPECTATIONS**

→ **Manner of Delivery and Content**
  - Regularly provides information on finished materials to others.
  - Diplomatically and effectively deliver information difficult to understand or in contrast with a student or customer's views.

**SCOPE AND MEASURABLE EFFECT**

- Incumbents may supervise a small homogenous department, with proportionate responsibility to perform daily responsibilities similar to the work of subordinate staff.
- Actions typically affect an individual, item, event, or incident, etc.
- Actions taken are generally done to meet reporting requirements or regulatory guidelines, or to satisfy internal checks and balances and/or existing standards.
- Incumbents are typically designated as a lead or frequently assigned project leadership roles within a specific administrative/programmatic function or specialty area.
GENERAL SUMMARY
Performs complex payroll functions, coordinates workflow, and assists in supervising the day-to-day operations of the payroll office.

REPORTING RELATIONSHPES AND TEAMWORK
Works under direction of a supervisor or manager. Serves a lead worker to employees who perform similar functions.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
The intent of this section is to list the primary, fundamental responsibilities of the job – that is, the duties that are central and vital to the role.

- Assists in supervising and coordinating the workflow and daily operations of the payroll office.
- Oversees the work of professional and classified staff and assists in assigning work and determining work schedules.
- Assists in maintaining the payroll software systems and generating required reports; trouble shoots and resolves scheduling problems or errors in the data.
- Performs complex payroll functions, including conducting fiscal analyses, reconciling conflicting policies and procedures, and utilizing knowledge of the policies, procedures, and regulations that govern a variety of payroll categories.
- Responds to inquiries from University employees about related problems. Resolves issues, as appropriate.
- Prepares detailed and summary reports to meet department needs, in assigned area of responsibility.
- Assists in evaluating and identifying areas for improvements and recommends changes in payroll or office policies and procedures.
- Performs related work as required.
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor’s degree in related field.
- Two to three years of related experience.

OR

- Associate’s degree.
- Four to five years of related experience.

COMPETENCIES

Knowledge of:
- Principles and practices of payroll functions
- Payroll operations
- Microsoft Office and related software applications

Skill in:
- Planning and organization
- Developing and maintaining effective and appropriate working relationships
- Critical thinking, problem solving and analysis

Ability to:
- Lead and oversee the work of others
- Communicate effectively through both oral and written means
- Respect diversity and work collaboratively with individuals of diverse cultural, social and educational backgrounds
- Prepare clear and concise reports
- Maintain the confidentiality of information and professional boundaries
- Work independently to analyze available information, draw conclusions and understandings, and present such conclusions effectively to senior management