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**Pay Grade:** 

### **Classification Description**

**Job Title:** Administrative Specialist, Office of the

**Associate Vice President, Academic** 

**Success** 

Job Code: 4757 FLSA Status Non-Exempt

#### Job Purpose

This position is responsible for diversified professional administrative work providing comprehensive support for leadership within the Office of Academic Advising, the Honors Scholar Program and the Center for Undergraduate Research and Creativity, and the Associate Vice President, Academic Success, while serving as the reception point for the Office of the Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs. This position is also responsible for the oversight and maintenance of the administrative aspects of the College-wide Commencement ceremonies. This position sets the tone for a student-centered, high-performance office that emphasizes excellence in service, quality, productivity, and standards.

#### **General Responsibilities**

#### **Essential Functions**

Serves as the primary reception point for the Office of the Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs, greeting visitors, and managing appointments, including triage of student, faculty, and staff issues and referrals to other departments as needed.

Provides student and staff assistance via telephone, email, live chat, in person, and mail for the Office of Academic Advising, the Honors Scholar Program and Center for Undergraduate Research and Creativity, and the Office of the Associate Vice President, Academic Success. Assistance may involve, but is not limited to, explaining procedures, researching information, directing to appropriate departments for assistance, and problem-solving. Responds to (or disseminates to appropriate staff) email correspondence from students, faculty and staff. Demonstrates the highest level of customer service standards in the delivery of these responsibilities.

Performs accurate and timely completion of both routine administrative department functions and assigned special projects.

Maintains department and/or supervisor calendar, arranging and/or monitoring scheduling for meetings, travel, and department functions as requested.

Monitors and manages assigned budgets including the maintenance of accounting records for the department, which may include purchase orders and requisitions, billing, expenditures, revenues, inventory, travel authorizations and payroll.

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Provides comprehensive administrative support for the Honors Scholar Program and Center for Undergraduate Research and Creativity, including coordinating program activities, managing communications, and supporting student and faculty engagement initiatives.

Creates and formats internal documents, reports, flyers, announcements, and informational materials for the Office of Academic Advising, Honors Scholar Program and Center for Undergraduate Research and Creativity, and the Associate Vice President, Academic Success using word processing, presentation, and basic design tools.

Analyzes and reviews the performance of administrative functions for the purpose of improving efficiency, maximizing resources, and ensuring accuracy in task performance.

Under the direction of the Associate Vice President, Academic Success and other senior leaders, coordinates and oversees all aspects of the Commencement ceremonies and rehearsals to ensure successful College-wide events. This includes, serving as chief contact for the event execution and all details for preparation leading up to as well as the day of the ceremonies. Documents all tasks associated with the Commencement ceremonies, trains others to support and delegates tasks to ensure sustainable event management.

Assists in the preparation of advising sessions and workshops by preparing advising materials and conducting student outreach.

Prepares and distributes reports, announcements, and other relevant materials appropriate to the Office of Academic Advising.

Receives, processes, and distributes department mail, and prepares forms, letters, and parcels for mailing.

Creates and edits documents and uses advanced features of word processing and spreadsheet applications.

May attend department meetings or meetings of other units. Takes and types meeting minutes as requested.

Assists supervisor in both routine and special department projects.

Performs other duties as assigned.

These essential job functions are not to be construed as a complete statement of all duties performed; employees will be required to perform other job-related duties as required. An employee with a disability is encouraged to contact the Human Resources Office to evaluate the job in greater detail in order to determine if she/he can perform the essential functions of this job with or without reasonable accommodation.

#### **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education.

Two (2) years of full-time related customer service or administrative support work experience. An appropriate combination of education and experience may be substituted.

Knowledge of business English, spelling and arithmetic, office practices and procedures.

Demonstrated experience using a personal computer, office software such as MS Office and electronic mail. Computer use includes data entry, word processing and/or accounting functions.

Experience with document formatting, basic design elements, and presentation software for developing internal communications and informational materials.

Ability to operate small office equipment including copy machines and multi-line telephone systems.

Ability to work effectively across multiple academic programs and departments, adapting communication style and approach to diverse audiences.

#### Demonstrated ability to:

- Communicate effectively and professionally with students, parents, faculty, and colleagues.
- Resolve issues with a high-level of attention to detail and customer service.
- Manage multiple program priorities simultaneously while maintaining attention to detail and quality standards.
- Format and design professional internal documents, reports, and informational materials.
- Demonstrate flexibility and adaptability when supporting multiple programs with varying needs and priorities.
- Mediate and resolve conflicts, and escalate to appropriate parties as-needed.
- Think critically and creatively, have a high standard of integrity, and be motivated to incorporate best practices into the organizational culture.
- Exhibit a thorough knowledge of policies, procedures, and outside regulations pertaining to the position.
- Possess a working knowledge of operational and fiscal analysis techniques.
- Make presentations in front of various group sizes.
- Take initiative and independently plan, organize, coordinate and perform work in various situations where numerous and diverse demands are involved.
- Anticipate, investigate, and analyze problems and address them proactively.
- Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with faculty, staff, students and the public.
- Work in a fast-paced, demanding environment.
- Work independently and follow through on assignments.

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- Exhibit solid organizational skills and be detail oriented.
- Work with a variety of constituencies and be willing to contribute to a team effort.
- Exercise discretion and good judgment at all times and in all contexts and maintain confidentiality.
- Work effectively with all constituencies of the College.
- Collect, organize, analyze and present information in a meaningful manner.
- Collaborate and be effective working with diverse populations.

#### Critical Skills/Expertise

#### All employees are expected to:

- Promote a common purpose consistent with stated College goals and demonstrate a commitment to students and the learning environment.
- Possess the knowledge of general written standards and procedures utilized, and have the ability to read, interpret, and follow procedural and policy manual related to the job tasks.
- Demonstrate the ability to respond to supervision, guidance and direction in a positive, receptive manner and in accordance with stated policies.
- Provide quality customer service by creating a welcoming and supportive environment.
- Present a professional image in word, action and attire.
- Demonstrate professionalism in dealing with a diverse population while understanding and respecting each other's view of the world, personalities and working styles.
- Conduct oneself in a manner consistent with the College's standards of ethical conduct.
- Apply effective techniques to create working relationships with others to achieve common goals; successfully communicates and collaborates with others to achieve goals.
- Demonstrate skills necessary to look at situations and processes critically to make recommendations for improvement.

#### Work Conditions/Physical Demands/Special Conditions

Physical: Routinely requires the ability to see, hear, and speak. Routinely requires sitting,

bending, stooping, walking. On occasion, incumbents may be required to lift 20

or more pounds.

Environmental: Normal general office.

Mental: Routinely requires the ability to interpret, analyze and perform critical thinking

skills.

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