

Job Description

(For Positions in CAW Local 555, Unit 1)

Job descriptions do not include every duty that an individual in a position performs. They are intended to be representative and characteristic of the duties required and the level of work performed. Depending upon the size of the department or unit and its functional activities, incumbents who fall into this category may perform all of the duties listed below or, in the case of large departments or units, may be assigned to designated specialized functions.

JD #: Pay Grade: 9 JD00680

Academic Skills Program JD Title: JD FTE Hours: 35 Coordinator

Job Family: **Student Services**

General Description

Responsible for the development and delivery of programs and services to assist students in areas of skill development, knowledge acquisition, and experiential learning for the purpose of achieving academic success and enhancing the student experience. Builds strategic alliances with faculty, staff, student groups, student governments, and the greater community to create a culture of collaboration and partnership in ensuring student success.

Representative Duties & Responsibilities

- Assess students' academic and personal stage of development and analyze psycho-educational reports to inform on appropriate strategies and development tasks to promote growth and skill building.
- Design and deliver workshops and presentations based on research, sound methodology and an understanding of student experiences and needs in response to faculty and student requests.
- Design and implement evaluation strategies such as surveys, focus groups, and rubrics to measure program outcomes and effectiveness.
- Develop an effective and efficient program delivery strategy such as student based models, seminars, workshops, and online resources that serve to optimize resources and service capacity.
- Counsel students to ensure they understand academic writing standards, review academic work, and refer to appropriate resources.
- Direct effective marketing and promotion of the program to target students in need of services.
- Initiate collaborations and partnerships using a multi-departmental team approach in support of an integrated approach to providing services and promoting a shared approach for student success.
- Conduct proper needs assessment to assess areas of student needs and wants to promote academic success and personal growth and development.
- Analyze and interpret data for purposes of evaluating results, communicating with partners and stakeholders, and informing future planning.
- Make independent decisions on advising students on self-improvement approaches.
- Act as a resource expert to the campus community on issues related to academic skills support services.
- Refer students to appropriate resources, information and services across the University.
- Provide guidance and information to students regarding the Academic Integrity Policy.
- Write and deliver instructional material for presentation in print and on-line formats.
- Develop relevant and quality resource information for the website and social networks.
- Liaise with Faculty Program Offices to identify students in need of support programs and work collaboratively on an effective outreach strategy.
- Determine appropriate information for students to be included on the departmental website and ensure information is correct and up to date.
- Deal sensitively, responsibly and calmly with students who present with serious medical, social, and psychological issues, and refer to appropriate care.
- Cultivate and maintain relationships with campus partners and build partnerships with various stakeholders across the University and the greater community.
- Update, maintain and verify database information for program participation for the purpose of program review and reporting.

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Representative Duties & Responsibilities

- Participate on related committees and working groups to promote the work of the Student Success Centre.
- Research best practices in service delivery and resources available by conducting regular scans of literature, attending conferences, and reviewing other institutional websites.
- Understand research methodologies used in student development and adult education research and be able to evaluate empirical and theoretical research.
- Update and maintain detailed knowledge of information about retention and academic skills development programs and services offered across campus.

Supervision

Ongoing responsibility for supervising up to 9 casual employees at any one time.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in a relevant field of study.
- Requires 3 years of relevant experience.

Effort

Physical Effort:

- A typical work day consists of greater than 3.5 hours of low physical effort for activities such as:
 - Intermittent periods of keyboarding to word process documents, enter data into databases and conduct literature searches.
- Elements of moderate physical effort are not a regular feature of this job.
- Elements of high physical effort are not a regular feature of this job.

Mental Effort:

- A typical work day occasionally requires routine mental effort for activities such as:
 - Collecting routine information and files to word process routine documents such as correspondence and forms, and inputting data databases.
- A typical work day consists of greater than 3.5 hours of moderate mental effort for activities such as:
 - Initiating collaborations and partnerships using a multi-departmental team approach in support of an integrated approach to providing services and promoting a shared approach for student success.
 - Analyzing and interpreting data for purposes of evaluating results, communicating with partners and stakeholders, and informing future planning.
 - Acting as a resource expert to the campus community on issues related to academic skills support services.
 - Referring students to appropriate resources, information and services across the University.
- A typical work day consists of up to 3.5 hours of high mental effort for activities such as:
 - Assessing students' academic and personal stage of development and analyzing psycho-educational reports to inform on appropriate strategies and development tasks to promote growth and skill building.
 - Conducting proper needs assessment to assess areas of student needs and wants to promote academic success and personal growth and development.
 - Designing workshops and presentations.
 - Designing evaluation strategies such as surveys, focus groups, and rubrics to measure program outcomes and effectiveness.
 - Developing effective and efficient program delivery strategies.

Working Conditions

Physical Environment:

There are no adverse physical environment conditions inherent to the job.

Psychological Environment:

- Occasionally interacts with individuals who may be rude or upset.
- Frequently handles competing requests from multiple sources.

Health & Safety:

Risk to the incumbent is no higher than for the general population.





Job Description Rating Sheet (For Positions in CAW Local 555, Unit 1)

JD #:	JD00680	Pay Grade:	9
JD Title:	Academic Skills Program Coordinator	Total Points:	561
Job Family:	Student Services		

Factor	Subfactor	Level Rating	Points
Skill	Applied Reasoning and Analytical Skills	5.0	105
	2. Breadth of Knowledge	2.0	13
	3. Adaptation to Change/Updating of Learning	2.0	12
	4. Interpersonal Skill	3.0	39
	5. Education and Experience	E3	100
	6. Dexterity and Coordination	2.0	12
Effort	7. Physical Effort	1.0	3
	8. Mental Effort	4.0	78
Responsibility	9. Planning and Coordination	3.0	46
	10. Responsibility for Others	3.0	55
	11. Accountability for Decisions Actions Affecting People, Assets, and Information	3.5	80
Working Conditions	12. Physical Environment	1.0	3
	13. Psychological Environment	2.0	10
	14. Health and Safety	1.0	5

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