



## Director, Specialized Service Student Programs Job Description

### JOB INFORMATION

<i>Job Code:</i>	138139
<i>Job Title:</i>	Director, Specialized Service Student Programs
<i>FLSA Status:</i>	Exempt
<i>Supervisory:</i>	Manages through subordinate supervisors.
<i>Job Family:</i>	Student Programs
<i>Job Family Group:</i>	Student Support Services
<i>Management Level:</i>	4 Administrator

### JOB SUMMARY

Directs specialized services and resources aimed at promoting academic and personal success for specific populations (e.g., veterans, students with disabilities). Requires specialized knowledge of unique community needs to provide equal opportunities and access to the university experience. Ensures quality programming aimed at enhancing life on university campuses and their surrounding/relevant communities.

### JOB QUALIFICATIONS:

#### Education

<i>Req</i>	<i>Pref</i>	<i>Degree</i>	<i>Field of Study</i>
X		Master's degree	
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#### Additional Education

**Check here if experience may substitute for some of the above education.**

Combined experience/education as substitute for minimum education

#### Work Experience

<i>Req</i>	<i>Pref</i>	<i>Work Experience</i>	<i>Experience Level</i>
X		7 years	of directly related professional experience in program specialization.
	X	10 years	of progressively more responsible management experience.
	X	5 years	of experience in an institution of higher education.

#### Additional Work Experience

**Check here if education may substitute for some of the above work experience.**

Combined experience/education as substitute for minimum work experience

#### Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

<i>Req</i>	<i>Pref</i>	<i>Functional Skills</i>
X		Excellent verbal communication skills and writing skills.

## Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Req	Pref	Functional Skills
X		Ability to analyze information and problem-solve.
X		Demonstrable program administration experience.
X		Ability to develop and maintain budgets.
X		Strong experience with staff development.
X		Flexibility and adaptability to changing priorities.
X		Strong project management experience.
X		Proficient technology skills.
X		Demonstrated experience interacting with diverse groups, exercising diplomacy, good judgment and discretion.
	X	Familiarity with local community.
	X	Fluency in one or more language in addition to English (e.g., Spanish, Korean).
	X	Demonstrated experience with office management communication software and tools (e.g., Google suite, Slack, Skype) and social media management.
	X	Proficient with Microsoft Office and or Adobe Creative software.
	X	Demonstrated experience managing multi-platform communications and marketing plans involving publications, videos, websites, social media, and public speeches and presentations.

## Other Job Factors

### JOB ACCOUNTABILITIES

	% Time	Essential	Marginal	N/A
Determines philosophies and direction for multiple/related specialized programs and activities at promoting academic and personal success for specific populations (e.g., veterans, students with disabilities). Drives ongoing evaluation of program effectiveness, ensuring quality services and programming aimed at enhancing student life. Establishes program goals, sets priorities and allocates resources. Assesses outcomes against objectives, and monitors program performance for variances and trends. Approves the implementation of program changes or enhancements based on program feedback and evaluation.				
Directly or indirectly supervises all assigned program staff. Approves/disapproves all work guidance actions within unit. Determines staffing needs based on goals and objectives. Approves plans for staff and student training and professional development activities. Provides ongoing evaluation of training needs and oversees the development and delivery of materials and activities (e.g., leadership seminars, emergency protocols).				
Ensures quality programming aimed at enhancing student life on university campuses and in surrounding/relevant communities with university partners and relevant stakeholders. Develops and oversees internal/external communications and public relations strategies for promoting specialized programs and services (e.g., technology accessibility workshops). Establishes and maintains ongoing communications to ensure integrated efforts.				
Resolves problems referred by managers and provides policy and regulatory interpretations (e.g., disciplinary procedures) as needed. Responds to requests from senior leadership and other university stakeholders for assistance and expertise. Negotiates priorities and resolves conflicts in student programming services and activities. Maintains professional currency through active participation and leadership in internal/external associations and committees.				
Directs the development and administration of program budgets. Monitors program performance for variances or trends (e.g., declining membership). Approves major expenditures and budget adjustments as authorized. Determines and/or recommends program salary administration (e.g., raises, reclassifications). Drives the search for external funding sources and develops proposals. Interacts with donors, agencies or funding source representatives to exchange information and provides operating and status reports as needed.				
Promotes an environment that fosters inclusive relationships and creates unbiased opportunities for contributions through ideas, words, and actions that uphold principles of the USC Code of Ethics.				

## Other Requirements

<i>Essential:</i>	<i>Emergency Response/Recovery</i>	<i>Essential:</i>	<i>Mandated Reporter</i>
	In the event of an emergency, the employee holding this position is required to “report to duty” in accordance with the university’s Emergency Operations Plan and/or the employee’s department’s emergency response and/or recovery plans. Familiarity with those plans and regular training to implement those plans is required. During or immediately following an emergency, the employee will be notified to assist in the emergency response efforts, and mobilize other staff members if needed.		A mandated reporter who in his or her professional capacity has knowledge of, or reasonably suspects a person who is under the age of 18 years, elderly, or a dependent adult has been the victim of abuse or neglect must report the suspected incident. The reporter must contact a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone or in writing within 36 hours. By virtue of the associated job duties, this position qualifies as a mandated reporter as required by state law and USC’s policy at: <a href="https://policy.usc.edu/mandated-reporters/">https://policy.usc.edu/mandated-reporters/</a>
<i>Campus Security Authority (CSA)</i>			<i>Essential:</i>
By virtue of the associated job duties, this position qualifies as a Campus Security Authority as required by law and USC’s policy at: <a href="https://dps.usc.edu/alerts/clery/">https://dps.usc.edu/alerts/clery/</a>			

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The above statements reflect the essential and non-essential functions as necessary to describe the principle contents of the job. They are not intended to be a complete statement of all work requirements or duties that may be required of the position. I understand that I may be asked to perform other duties as assigned. USC reserves the right to add or change duties at any time.

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I acknowledge receipt of this job description and its associated physical requirements. I have read and understand the job description and job requirements and agree to abide by their contents. I realize that duties may be requested of me that are not specifically stated herein. I understand that I will be expected to adjust to potential fluctuations in work volume. I understand that, if I have any questions about the essential functions or expectations of my position, my supervisor and/or HR partner are available to discuss them with me.

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Print Manager Name

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This job description describes the general nature and level of work required by the position. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of qualifications, skills, duties, responsibilities or working conditions of the job. The job description is subject to change with or without notice, and Management reserves the right to add, modify or remove any qualification or duty. Nothing in this job description changes the existing at-will employment relationship between the university and the employee occupying the position.