Job Title: Asst. Director for Assistive Technology – Student Disability Services Specialist

Job ID: 22664

Location: College of Staten Island

Full/Part Time: Full-Time

Regular/Temporary: Regular

POSITION DETAILS

The College of Staten Island (CSI) is a City University of New York (CUNY) senior College organized around two academic divisions and three schools, with over 14,000 students. CSI offers a broad range of academic programs in the liberal arts and sciences, and in several professional areas. The College awards associate's, bachelor's, master's and clinical doctoral degrees, and in collaboration with The CUNY Graduate Center, numerous Ph.D. degrees. CSI's internationally recognized faculty passionately engage in scholarly and artistic activities, and together with a strong professional staff, lead students through transformational learning experiences both inside and outside of the classroom. The College is situated on a 204-acre site, has recently incorporated a residential component, and is currently engaging in capital expansion. It is a hub of intellectual and artistic activity and a community partner and source of economic impact and job creation for the greater Staten Island area.

The mission of the College of Staten Island (CSI)'s Center for Student Accessibility is to facilitate reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities ensuring equal access to academic and co-curricular programming in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Center provides services and support for over 600 students with disabilities. The Center of Student Accessibility has the highest number of students on the Autism Spectrum with 80+ students diagnosed with this disorder.

Reporting to the Director of the Center for Student Accessibility, the Assistant Director for Assistive Technology will work with the Director to ensure the Center provides appropriate services for the target population.

In addition, he/she will be responsible for the following:

- Assesses adaptive technology needs of students. Provides technical support and training for the various hardware and software involved in the delivery of support services, including Braille embosser, speech synthesizers, digital voice recording devices, CCTV, high speed scanners, Kurzweil 1000 and 3000, JAWS, Zoomtext, CART, C-Print, remote captioning, etc.
- Assesses programs and services to enhance student success and the student experience.
- Works with the Director and the office staff to assess and report on existing programs.
- Makes recommendations for appropriate and cost effective systems to enhance student access.
- Provides leadership and expertise in electronic access issues related to web and other electronic resources.
- Assists with the creation of accessible websites.
- Oversees the Multimedia Resource Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.
- Provides alternate text for eligible students with disabilities.
- Serves as liaison to the Library Services and Campus Information Technology Department.
- Works with faculty, staff, and students to determine technological interventions, integration, and processes that assist in maintaining an accessible learning environment.
- Writes comprehensive reports and other communications as required, pertaining to the unit and services offered.
- Supervises a part-time staff in the delivery of technological and interpretive services to students.

QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor's degree and four years' related experience required.

Preferred qualifications include:
Master's Degree in Computer Science, Rehabilitation Technology, Rehabilitation Engineering, Rehabilitation Counseling, Special Education, or related strongly preferred.
Assistive Technology Professional (ATP) certification preferred.
Thorough knowledge of policies, procedures, and legal requirements such as Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act, ADA, ADAAA, and Section 508 highly desired.

CUNY TITLE OVERVIEW

Assists with planning and providing a comprehensive program of services for students with disabilities.

- Assists with daily supervision of the unit, including budgets, personnel supervision, and facilities/equipment management
- Provides guidance and advisement to student organizations, administrators, faculty and others on concerns and issues related to students with special needs
- Interacts with counselors, disability accommodations specialists, and external community organizations to maintain a broad inventory of available services
- Presents programs and workshops, and prepares communications to students and others promoting the goals of the unit
- Organizes and provides for assistive technology and interpretive services
- May develop and/or review individual educational plans that incorporate individually designed academic support services and accommodations within the guidelines of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Performs related duties as assigned.

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CUNY TITLE

Higher Education Assistant

FLSA

Exempt

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Salary commensurate with education and experience.

CUNY’s benefits contribute significantly to total compensation, supporting health and wellness, financial well-being, and professional development. We offer a range of health plans, competitive retirement/pension benefits and savings plans, tuition waivers for CUNY graduate study and generous paid time off. Our staff also benefits from the extensive academic, arts, and athletic programs on our campuses and the opportunity to participate in a lively, diverse academic community in one of the greatest cities in the world.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please visit https://cuny.jobs/ and enter the Job ID# in the “What” section field. Candidates must attach a resume, cover letter, and three professional references (name, title, organization, and contact information) as one file.

CLOSING DATE

September 13, 2021
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