
Auburn University Job Description

Job Title: **Sr Negotiator, IP Agreements**

Grade RE11 \$69,400 - \$124,900

Job Code: **AA72**

FLSA status: Exempt

Job Family: Research

Job Function:

Job Summary

Negotiates and manages a portfolio of industry contracts, material transfer agreements, confidentiality agreements, and related agreements, as well as provides guidance and support in other technology transfer activities.

Essential Functions

1. Reviews and negotiates the terms and conditions of industry contracts on behalf of the University in an effort to enhance its research and economic development missions, ensuring compliance with State and Federal agency guidelines and Federal government regulations and laws (e.g. Bayh-Dole Act, export control regulations, agency guidelines, etc.).
2. Drafts and negotiates non-disclosure agreements, material transfer agreements, memorandums of understanding, and other technology transfer and industry related agreements.
3. Provides guidance to and coordinates with faculty, administrative units, and staff to ensure both compliance with, and adherence to, contractual language with University policies and guidelines, as related to intellectual property ownership and protection, risk management, confidentiality, licensing, etc.
4. Educates faculty, staff and students about the technology transfer process, while providing an understanding and direction to University personnel to assist with resolving problematic and complex contractual issues.
5. Provides a resource for external University clientele in the community and corporate entities to seek information about the technology transfer process and industry contracting in a University setting.

Supervisory Responsibility

May be responsible for training, assisting or assigning tasks to others. May provide input to performance reviews of other employees.

The above essential functions are representative of major duties of positions in this job classification. Specific duties and responsibilities may vary based upon departmental needs. Other duties may be assigned similar to the above consistent with the knowledge, skills and abilities required for the job. Not all of the duties may be assigned to a position.

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Minimum Required Education and Experience

	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Focus of Education/Experience</u>
Education	Master's Degree	Master's degree in Business Administration, Law, Engineering, Physical or Life Sciences. See Substitution below.
Experience (yrs.)	6	At least 4 years experience negotiating contracts; strong and creative negotiation skills; experience interacting with a wide range of people including researchers, lawyers, CEOs of companies, and licensing professionals; knowledge of contracts administration, potential risk exposure in contracts, and compliance with laws, regulations, and policies; experience must demonstrate progressively increasing levels of responsibility and accountability. Substitution: A Juris Doctorate degree from an accredited law school AND holds a license to practice law in at least one U.S. state, such credential shall meet the minimum experience required for this position.

Substitutions allowed for Education:

Indicated education is required; no substitutions allowed.

Substitutions allowed for Experience:

See experience statement for substitution.

Minimum Required Knowledge

Knowledge of negotiation practices; knowledge of state, federal, and industry contract guidelines, procedures and laws as they pertain to university research and the intellectual property developed from research.

Certification or Licensure Requirements

None Required.

Pre-Employment Screening Requirements

None Required

Physical Requirements/ADA

No unusual physical requirements. Requires no heavy lifting, and nearly all work is performed in a comfortable indoor facility.

Externally imposed deadlines; set and revised beyond one's control; interruptions influence priorities; difficult to anticipate nature or volume of work with certainty beyond a few days; meeting of deadlines

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and coordination of unrelated activities are key to position; may involve conflict-resolution or similar interactions involving emotional issues or stress on a regular basis.

Job frequently requires sitting, talking, hearing, .

Job occasionally requires standing, walking, handling objects with hands, .

Vision requirements: Ability to see information in print and/or electronically.

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