

# Sponsored Programs Officer II

Job Description

JOB INFORMATION				
Job Code	HC19			
Job Title	Sponsored Programs Officer II			
Pay Grade	RE09			
Range Minimum	\$54,400			
33rd %	\$67,100			
Range Midpoint	\$73,400			
67th %	\$79,800			
Range Maximum	\$92,500			
Exemption Status	Exempt			
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#### JOB FAMILY AND FUNCTION

Job Family: Research

Job Function: Sponsored Programs

#### **JOB SUMMARY**

Facilitates a wide range of sponsored programs administration activities for the extramurally funded research, instruction, outreach, and extension activities at the institutional level throughout Auburn University, the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Alabama Cooperative Extension System. These responsibilities include contract and grant terms review, approval, negotiation, proposal development, review, submission, contract and grant management, contracts and grants funded equipment management, and providing regulatory, policy, and procedural guidance related to such activities and are expected to be conducted with limited supervision required. These responsibilities require frequent communication and engagement with stakeholders across campus and with federal, state, industry, nonprofit, and other sponsoring entities.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Evaluates, interprets, negotiates and applies federal, sponsor, and University policies and regulations to determine acceptable conditions of awards including such areas as conflict of interest, export control, intellectual property, indemnity, governing law, cost principles, data and information security requirements, human subjects, animal subjects and lab safety while referring relevant matters to the appropriate University office and/or personnel (i.e., General Counsel, the Office of Research Compliance, the Office of Research Security Compliance, The Intellectual Property Exchange, the Office of Risk Management, the Office of Audit, Compliance & Privacy, and Contracts and Grants Accounting).
- Prepares, reviews, and negotiates contracts, amendments, and instruments of a legal character for the Office
  of Sponsored Programs. This includes, but is not limited to, fixed price and cost reimbursable sponsored
  research agreements, master agreements, task orders, memoranda of understanding, consortium
  agreements, teaming agreements, and other contracts associated with externally funded research,
  instruction, outreach, and extension activities.
- Reviews and facilitates award change requests including re-budgeting, pre-award costs, carryover of
  unobligated balances, and no-cost-extensions and assists with the acquisition, management, and reporting
  for sponsor-funded equipment and materials while maintaining records and titles through the lifecycle of an
  award.
- Provides regulatory guidance to faculty, administrative units, and staff ensuring compliance with and adherence to relevant laws and regulations governing sponsored research while building trust and providing efficient and effective service to diverse constituents both internally and externally.
- Maintains a high degree of knowledge in interpreting and applying federal regulations governing sponsored research including 2 CFR 200, the Federal Acquisition regulations, the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement, standard federal research terms and conditions, and other agency-specific requirements.
   Remains current with developments in university-sponsored contracting and research administration through participation in professional development activities such as attendance at professional meetings and in-house webinars and other informational sessions.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provides input toward the development, review, and maintenance of policies, procedures, tools, and resources based on the changing regulatory environment.
- Coordinates, advises, and supports faculty and staff on extramural proposals for research, instruction, outreach, and extension activity to ensure accuracy and compliance with federal, state, University, and sponsor rules and regulations and maintains the authority to submit proposals on behalf of the University.

#### SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisory Responsibility

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

#### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform the minimum requirements listed below, which are representative of the skill, and/or ability required.

MINIMUM EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE							
Education Level	Focus of Education		Years of Experience	Focus of Experience			
Bachelor's Degree	STEM; Business Administration; Public Administration; Industrial/Organizational Psychology; Management; Law; Social Sciences; or a directly related and relevant degree/major from an accredited institution.	And	3 years of	Experience in regulatory compliance, contract negotiation, research management, legal, or related field.  Experience in a higher education environment, particularly interpreting laws and regulations, is desired.			

Substitutions Allowed for Yes Experience

Substitution allowed for Experience: When a candidate has the required education, but lacks the required experience, they may normally apply additional appropriate education toward the experience requirement, at a rate of one (1) year relevant education per year of required experience.

# MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, & ABILITIES

Strong working knowledge of relevant university, state and federal laws and regulations.

Strong working knowledge of research administration in a University setting.

Strong working knowledge of electronic systems for proposal submission and award and grant management.

Demonstrated proficiency in verbal and written communication skills and reading comprehension.

Ability to succeed in a high-volume, high-pressure, fast-paced environment to manage and prioritize a large task list with deadlines, interruptions, and competing priorities.

Strong attention to detail and the ability to manage multiple tasks simultaneously.

Demonstrated time management, critical thinking, organizational and customer service skills, and the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships.

Ability to complete tasks independently as contributions to a team effort.

Demonstrated self-discipline and sound independent judgment completing time-sensitive assignments.

MINIMUM LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS						
Licenses/Certifications	Licenses/Certification Details	Time Frame	Required/ Desired			
None Required.						
	Certified Research Administrator (CRA)		Desired			

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS & WORKING CONDITIONS

Physical Demands Category: Office and Administrative Support

PHYSICAL DEMANDS							
Physical Demand	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Constantly	Weight	
Standing			X				
Walking			X				
Sitting				X			
Lifting				Х		Up to 10 pounds.	
Climbing			X				
Stooping/ Kneeling/ Crouching			X				
Reaching				X			
Talking				X			
Hearing				X			
Repetitive Motions				X			
Eye/Hand/Foot Coordination				X			

WORKING ENVIRONMENT							
Working Condition	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Constantly		
Extreme temperatures		X					
Hazards		X					
Wet and/or humid		X					
Noise			X				
Chemical		X					
Dusts		X					
Poor ventilation		X					

## **Vision Requirements:**

Ability to see information in print and/or electronically.