

# Mgr, Employee Relations & Investigations

Job Description

| JOB INFORMATION       |  |  |  |  |
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| Job Code              | EB14                                     |  |  |  |
| Job Description Title | Mgr, Employee Relations & Investigations |  |  |  |
| Pay Grade             | HR12                                     |  |  |  |
| Range Minimum         | \$73,610                                 |  |  |  |
| 33rd %                | \$93,240                                 |  |  |  |
| Range Midpoint        | \$103,050                                |  |  |  |
| 67th %                | \$112,870                                |  |  |  |
| Range Maximum         | \$132,500                                |  |  |  |
| Exemption Status      | Exempt                                   |  |  |  |
| Approved Date:        | 10/15/2024 11:00:48 AM                   |  |  |  |

#### JOB FAMILY AND FUNCTION

| Job Family:   | Human Resources    |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Job Function: | Employee Relations |

#### **JOB SUMMARY**

The Manager of Employee Relations and Investigations plays a crucial role in fostering a positive, compliant, and equitable work environment. This position oversees employee relations, leads comprehensive investigations, and provides expert guidance on various aspects of human resources management. Working closely with the Executive Director of Campus Relations, the Manager handles complex and sensitive employee matters, including terminations, grievances, and disciplinary actions. The role ensures that all employee relations processes are conducted with the utmost integrity and fairness, fully complying with organizational policies and legal requirements.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead initiatives to innovate and improve employee processes, ensuring alignment with best practices and legal standards while ensuring the institution's full compliance with HR laws, policies, and procedures, proactively making independent recommendations for enhancements and improvements.
- Oversee the employee grievance process by Preparing necessary documentation and evidence for the grievance committee, ensuring the committee members are adequately trained, and representing the institution in hearings.
- Serve as a Subject Matter Expert in Employee Relations training, designing and delivering educational programs to enhance staff knowledge and compliance and effectively handle employee relations issues.
- Continuously seek opportunities to enhance existing employee relations programs and investigation processes.
- Serve on various university committees, including the University Threat Assessment Team as an alternate member, contributing expertise in employee relations and investigations.
- Collaborate with internal and external legal counsel on complex employee relations issues, providing critical insights and serving as a deponent in legal matters when necessary.
- As required, oversee the management and tracking of all assigned cases in HR Acuity, Maxient, and EthicsPoint, ensuring meticulous record-keeping and confidentiality.
- Serve as a trusted advisor to campus HR partners on HR policies, procedures, programs, and employment laws. Provide independent, expert recommendations to resolve work-related issues, including job performance challenges and disciplinary actions, while promoting a positive work environment.
- Lead investigations into employee complaints, alleged misconduct, and violations of workplace policies, ensuring thoroughness, impartiality, and compliance with legal, ethical standards, and organizational standards.
- Advise and support Campus HR partners and leaders in conducting terminations, drug testing, and other sensitive matters, ensuring compliance with organizational and legal standards.

## SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisory Responsibility

Full supervisory responsibility for other employees is a major responsibility and includes training, evaluating, and making or recommending pay, promotion or other employment decisions.

# MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

To be eligible, an individual must meet all minimum requirements which are representative of the knowledge, skills, and abilities typically expected to be successful in the role. For education and experience, minimum requirements are listed on the top row below. If substitutions are available, they will be listed on subsequent rows and may only to be utilized when the candidate does not meet the minimum requirements.

| MINIMUM EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE |  |     |                           |  |    |  |
|--------------------------------|--|-----|---------------------------|--|----|--|
| Education<br>Level             | Focus<br>of<br>Education   |     | Years<br>of<br>Experience | Focus<br>of<br>Experience  |    |  |
| Bachelor's<br>Degree           | in Human Resources,<br>Organizational<br>Development, or a related<br>field. | and | 7 years of                | Focusing on employee relations, investigations, and conflict resolution. Experience in a higher education setting is a plus. Deep knowledge of HR laws, regulations, policies, and procedures, with a strong understanding of employment law and best practices in employee relations. | Or |  |
| Master's<br>Degree             | in Human Resources<br>Management.  | and | 3 years of                | Focusing on employee relations, investigations, and conflict resolution. Experience in a higher education setting is a plus. Deep knowledge of HR laws, regulations, policies, and procedures, with a strong understanding of employment law and best practices in employee relations. |    |  |

| MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, & ABILITIES  |  |
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| Working knowledge of federal, state and local labor laws.   |  |
| Strong communication and interpersonal skills with diverse individuals, including current employees, faculty, administrators, AU leadership, and external stakeholders. |  |
| Demonstrated success in building relationships with peers, functional partners and/or external partners to accomplish business objectives.                              |  |
| Possesses the experience and skills to handle complex, high-risk items with minimal oversight.  |  |
| Exceptional oral and written communication skills, with the ability to convey complex information clearly, concisely, and diplomatically to diverse audiences.          |  |
| Proven ability to manage highly sensitive and confidential information with the highest level of discretion, integrity, and ethical judgment.                           |  |

| MINIMUM LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS          |                                   |            |                      |    |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------|----------------------|----|--|--|--|
| Licenses/Certifications                    | Licenses/Certification<br>Details | Time Frame | Required/<br>Desired |    |  |  |  |
| Professional in Human Resources (PHR)-HRCI | PHR/SPHR                          |            | Desired              | Or |  |  |  |
| SHRM-CP                                    | SHRMCP/SCP                        |            | Desired              |    |  |  |  |

| PHYSICAL DEMANDS & WORKING CONDITIONS |                                   |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Physical Demands Category:            | Office and Administrative Support |  |  |  |  |

| PHYSICAL DEMANDS              |       |        |              |            |            |        |  |
|-------------------------------|-------|--------|--------------|------------|------------|--------|--|
| Physical Demand               | Never | Rarely | Occasionally | Frequently | Constantly | Weight |  |
| Standing                      |       |        | Χ            |            |            |        |  |
| Walking                       |       |        |              | X          |            |        |  |
| Sitting                       |       |        |              | X          |            |        |  |
| Lifting                       |       | X      |              |            |            | 25lbs  |  |
| 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.; Requires performing and/or viewing work on a computer screen for the majority of the day. Ability to view and interpret information on a computer screen for long periods of time.

# **Travel Requirements:**

In-State; Domestic