Job Description/Title: Inst. Spec. & Inst. Asst II → INSTRUCTIONAL SPECIALIST

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MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE

INSTRUCTIONAL SPECIALIST

JOB SUMMARY

Under general supervision, assist students in the acquisition and reinforcement of specific skills. Receive limited supervision within a broad framework of standard District policies and procedures. Perform varied instructional support services, in a classroom environment, to meet the needs of small groups or individual students.

EXAMPLES OF FUNCTIONS

Essential Functions

Plan, organize, and assume responsibility for small groups of students on specific subjects, in cooperation with and by assignment from the program supervisor.

Provide supplemental instruction to individual and/or groups of students in one or more specialized areas.

Maintain required records of student progress and review with program supervisor as needed.

Confer with supervisor and/or instructors concerning programs and materials to meet student needs.

Participate in meetings related to the needs of students in the instructional support services programs.

Collect and evaluate data regarding students' progress; provide feedback to supervisor.

Assist in performing related tasks such as writing letters, taking attendance, and correcting/grading tests.

Serve as a resource person to teachers; recommend appropriate materials for subject area; share knowledge of particular subject area; use web based programs and internet search skills as appropriate.

Serve as information source regarding assigned department to students, staff, instructors and the community.

Select, requisition and maintain an inventory of instructional supplies and materials; set up work areas and prepare materials and equipment needed; arrange for and operate special classroom equipment as needed.

Administer/score/interpret student tests or assist students with self administered assessments; confer with instructors and supervisor as requested.

Develop creative methods and teaching techniques within the suggested framework of the supervisor/ within guidelines of program.

Assist instructors in the maintenance of specialized skill center operations, tasks and activities.

Keep routine records of the business of the program.

Other Duties

Serve on college committees as assigned.

Perform other related duties as assigned.

Attend staff development and in-service training programs as appropriate.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

Education and Experience

Any combination of education, experience and training which would indicate possession of the required knowledge, skills, and abilities listed herein. For example, completion of approximately two years of college level course work in the assigned instructional area with demonstrated specific knowledge and skills in that area, and two years of recent experience in an instructional/tutorial role.

Knowledge

Knowledge of: skills and abilities to be reinforced in assigned instructional areas; basic functions and procedures associated with a classroom environment including learning, motivation and perceptions; instructional materials and objectives used at specific levels; application of curriculum as it applies to individual differences; basic needs and requirements of students in the area to which assigned; methodology for individualized instruction; basic clerical skills; word processing, spreadsheet programs, web based learning programs and internet search skills as needed to fulfill requirements of the job.

Abilities

Ability to: successfully assist students in the acquisition and reinforcement of skills in assigned instructional area; deal effectively with a wide variety of personalities and situations requiring diplomacy, tact, friendliness, poise and firmness; demonstrate an understanding, patient and receptive attitude toward student learning; demonstrate required skills associated with the tasks of the job in assigned subject area; perform simple clerical tasks; use efficiently various types of office and classroom equipment; use web based learning programs and internet skills as needed; use appropriate and correct English spelling, grammar and punctuation; communicate satisfactorily in both oral and written form; use accurately and efficiently word processing and spreadsheet programs as needed; establish and maintain effective work relationships with those contacted in the performance of required duties; demonstrate an understanding of, sensitivity to and appreciation for, the academic, ethnic, socio-economic, disability and gender diversity of students and staff attending or working on a community college campus.

PHYSICAL EFFORT/WORK ENVIRONMENT

Light to moderate physical effort; occasional standing or walking; periodic handling of lightweight parcels of up to 15 pounds (if assigned to Physical Education up to 45 pounds). Indoor work environment.