## NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF HIGHER EDUCATION NOTICE OF VACANCY

( ) Department Posting

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Posting Date: February 19, 2015 Division: Division Finance,

Research & Accountability

## DURATION - Maximum of 2 YEARS

No. Vacancies 1 (one)

Title: Government

Representative 2 Unclassified

Salary: \$55,089.00 Posting # OSHE-2015-003

**Definition:** Assists in the Implementation of the State Longitudinal Data Systems (SLDS) Grant; Act as point of contact to NJDOE and NJLWD staff and consultants on State Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) grant implementation; Provides support for data collection and reporting using the legacy Student Unit Record System; Serves as key-holder for the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System; Offers assistance in new research areas in the State and for the Agency and Supports initiatives of the State & Agency.

OSHE is seeking to fill 1 Government Rep. 2 position. It is anticipated that this unclassified appointment will be temporary in nature and will last for a maximum duration of two (2) years dependent upon funding.

Specific responsibilities include:

- \*Act as point of contact to NJDOE and NJLWD staff and consultants on State Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) grant implementation.
- \*Collaborate with staff at NJ Colleges and Universities to implement enriched process to meet the goals of the SLDS grant and information needs of the P-20W Data Advisory Council and partner agencies.
- \*Work with P-20W Data Advisory Board to identify priorities for report generation, publication and dissemination.
- \*Act as key-holder and liaison for Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)
- \*Review and evaluate the queries and outputs of SLDS, SURE and IPEDS.
- \*Coordinate resources & reports like the Annual Institutional Profiles and Transfer Study.
- \*Using a variety of resources review reports for completeness and accuracy for federal grants including SLDS, CACG and GEAR UP and state grant programs for Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF).
- \*Understand the concepts of cohort and longitudinal studies.
- \*Create training workshops for new and continuing Institutional Research (IR) and/or program staff at institutions of higher education.
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}}\mbox{\ensuremath{^{Use}}}$  statistical software such as SAS, SPSS or others for report generation.

\*Work with the Higher Education Data Advisory Group (HEDAG) to facilitate collaboration among all stakeholders in the higher education community. \*Create documents, spreadsheets, and reports using Word, MS Access, and Excel in a timely manner.

\*Perform all other duties as assigned to advance the goals of the Agency.

**EDUCATION:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

**EXPERIENCE:** 2+ years of experience in information management/analysis and report generation.

- o Advanced proficiency in MS Access and Excel, as well as other MS software
- o Web page design and Internet are a plus
- o Experience with SAS programming or statistical applications.
- o Commitment to protection of student information (FERPA)
- o Attention to detail and deadlines
- o Excellent critical thinking and problem solving skills
- o Exceptional communication skills, with both technical and nontechnical staff and with students from diverse backgrounds
- o Familiarity with higher education research

**NOTE:** Applicants who do not possess the required education may substitute additional experience as indicated on a year-for-year basis with thirty (30) semester hour credits being equal to one (1) year of experience.

**License:** Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.

**Residency:** New Jersey Residency required. If you do not reside in New Jersey, you have one year after the date you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.

## Interested applicants should send a letter and resume by March 6, 2015.

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THIS IS NOT A PROMTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Appointments(s) resulting from this posting will be in accordance with Department of Personnel rules and regulations. Note: In accordance with NJAC 4A:4-1.5, any employee who is currently on an incomplete promotional list for this title in unit scope S500 may request a provisional appointment.

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