

Department: Data Processing
SPEC DISK B6
Classification: Competitive
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Grade: 16

SENIOR COMPUTER PROGRAMMER/ANALYST

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: These duties involve responsibility for assisting the Director, Information Systems in developing and implementing small to moderate sized software systems supporting the needs of the Essex County Government Center. The Senior Computer Programmer/Analyst is also responsible for writing programs and supervising the work of subordinate Computer Programmers. The work is performed under the direct supervision of the Director, Information Systems in accordance with established policies and procedures. The incumbent does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Directs and supervises the development of computer systems design and programs;
Analyzes the flow of information between the Information Systems Department and various users;
Prepares sample test data, performs actual testing and makes modifications, revisions and corrections to programs;
Debugs new programs to ensure they fulfill predetermined requirements;
Designs detailed programs, forms, flow charts and diagrams to adapt financial and statistical operations to software programs;
Reviews job control language of all systems to ensure that it adheres to departmental standards;
Develops and maintains the teleprocessing communications network;
Reports problems and deviations affecting workload and scheduling;
Confers with system users to ascertain the nature of proposed projects, the form of source information and the form of results desired;
Prepares a variety of records and reports related to the work.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of information technology including computer language, hardware, and software operating systems; good knowledge of the application of computer programming techniques to financial and statistical problems; good knowledge of the operation of personal computers and computer servers and related peripheral equipment; working knowledge of systems analysis

applicable to computer operations; ability to translate and adapt statistical and financial data to programs for use in computer operations; ability to follow complex oral and written instructions; ability to plan and supervise the work of others; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

SENIOR COMPUTER PROGRAMMER/ANALYST, Continued

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either

- (a) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science or related field, included or supplemented by sixteen (16) semester hours in computer programming and two (2) years paid experience in the operation and programming of electronic computer systems, which shall have involved systems analysis and computer programming; or
- (b) Graduation from a regionally accredited or N.Y.S. registered college or university with an Associate's Degree in Applied Science in Electronic Data Processing and four (4) years paid experience in the operation and programming of electronic computer systems, two years of which shall have involved systems analysis and computer programming; or
- (c) Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma, supplemented by six (6) semester hours in computer science (including programming) from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university and five (5) years of paid experience in the operation of electronic computer equipment, two (2) years of which shall have involved systems analysis and computer programming; or
- (d) An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined by the limits of (a), (b), and (c).

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