

# Josephine County, Oregon

# **Human Resources Office**

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#### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Job Title: Accounting Technician

Department: Multi

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

WC Code: 8810

Effective Date: January 1, 1991 Last Revised: May 9, 2017

Pay Grade: A12 Union: AFSCME

## **SUMMARY**

Performs technical accounting work for a complete set of transactions within a functional accounting area(s); develops procedural recommendations and/or accounting projections based on analysis of data; does related work as required. An employee in this classification is distinguished from the Accounting Specialist classification in that Accounting Technicians perform accounting/bookkeeping work of a more complex and/or specialized nature. Incumbents in this classification may be required to handle large sums of money. Incumbents in this class are responsible for reviewing work from other departments or sources and verifying its accuracy and are responsible for a complete set of transactions within a functional accounting area. Work is performed under general supervision and is reviewed primarily on the basis of results attained. Incumbents are generally expected to independently perform work assignments. Supervision is not normally a responsibility of positions in this classification.

# **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

(Illustrative Only. Any single position in this classification will not necessarily involve all of the listed duties below and other positions will involve duties which are not listed. These duties represent the essential functions needed of persons in this classification.)

- 1. Maintains fiscal records; compiles data and prepares summaries, statements, statistical information and other reports.
- Prepares and reconciles account balances.
- 3. Reconciles report discrepancies and problems; makes necessary corrections.
- 4. Develops fiscal/accounting procedural recommendations, changes and/or projections based on independent analysis and research of data.
- 5. Works directly with federal and independent auditors to explain transactions or answer questions.
- 6. Reviews work form other departments or sources for accuracy and conformance with County procedures and general accounting principles; provides technical assistance as required.

## TYPICAL PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

Problems encountered generally revolve around the verification of information received; the application of basic accounting principles, departmental policies and procedures and applicable federal, state and county regulations; and the reconciliation and resolving of discrepancies of fiscal records and reports.

# SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

This job has no supervisory responsibilities.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Thorough knowledge of recordkeeping practices used in the day-to-day maintenance of fiscal accounts. Considerable knowledge of general office principles and practices. Some knowledge of general accounting principles including double entry bookkeeping. Ability to perform detailed work involving numerical data; apply general accounting principles in resolving problems and verifying accuracy of others' work; make accurate mathematical computations using decimals, fractions and percentages; prepare detailed fiscal reports; establish priorities and organize own workload; maintain effective working relationships with other departments, employees and the general public.

## **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE**

High school graduation or equivalency, preferably supplemented by additional coursework in accounting; and four years of progressively responsible experience in accounting with exposure to the application of basic accounting principles; or any satisfactory combination of experience and training which demonstrates the knowledge, skills and ability to perform the above described duties.

#### JOB IMPACT

The most common consequence of error would involve financial loss, including the loss of grant funds due to improper accounting, reporting and/or maintenance of records; possible litigation; and/or public embarrassment.

# JOB CONTACTS

This position generally has contact with the general public; other county departments; state and federal regulatory agencies; and auditors.

#### **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing; establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees and the public; read and interpret documents such as operating and maintenance instructions, and procedure manuals; write routine reports and correspondence; and communicate effectively.

#### MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

Ability to add, subtract, multiply, and divide in all units of measure, using whole numbers, common fractions, and decimals. Ability to compute rate, ratio, and percent and to draw and interpret bar graphs.

#### **REASONING ABILITIES**

Ability to exercise initiative and judgment in completing tasks and responsibilities; solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists; and interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

## OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Utilizing computer software to access/update files and to generate reports; the operation of standard office equipment, including ten-key calculator by touch.

# CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS

None

# BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION

Those employed in this position may be subject to pre-employment drug testing and a background investigation, including but not limited to criminal background investigation. Conviction of a crime will not necessarily disqualify an individual for this classification.

# WORK ENVIRONMENT

Work is normally performed in an office environment. The position is impacted by the need to meet established deadlines; repetitiveness of tasks; attention to detail/accuracy; uncontrollable work flow, and uncontrollable interruptions and distractions.

# PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

The physical requirements outlined are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

# **PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Check if	Activity	Never 0%	Occasionally	Frequently	Continuous	
required for essential job			1-33%	34-66%	67-100%	
function						
	Standing		$\boxtimes$			
	Sitting - 1/2 hour plus				$\boxtimes$	
	Moving about work area				$\boxtimes$	
$\square$	Bending forward		$\boxtimes$			
	Stoop position - 1 minute plus		$\boxtimes$			
	Climbing stairs - 1 floor		$\boxtimes$			
	Crawling - hands & knees	$\boxtimes$				
	Reaching overhead		$\boxtimes$			
	Lifting strength	# of pounds =25lbs				
	Lifting					
	Patient Lifting					
	Lifting Overhead					
	Moving carts, etc.					
	Carry items		$\boxtimes$			
	Dexterity/Coordination				$\boxtimes$	
	Keyboard Operation				$\boxtimes$	
	Rapid-mental/hand/eye coord.				$\boxtimes$	
	Operation of motor vehicle					
Speech, Vision	& Hearing					
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	Noise					
	Dust					
	Smoke					
	Vibration Chamical Solutions					
	Chemical Solutions					
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	Ladder/Scaffold					
	Ionization					
	Radiation					
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