

Division of Institutional Equity and Human Resources

POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE Assistant College Purchasing Officer

POSITION NO. 502901

REPORTS TO Director Purchasing

GRADE CCRIPA 10

WORK SCHEDULE Non-Standard: 35 hours per week

REVISION DATE April 2014

JOB SUMMARY:

To assist the Purchasing Officer in the procurement function for all Community College of Rhode Island campuses and facilities; to assist in the expediting and tracking of all purchasing documentation through the CCRI purchasing system and/or the State's RIFAN System.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist in the process of procuring goods and services for all CCRI campuses and facilities.
- Under the direction of the purchasing officer, apply State and College purchasing policies as they concern the Community College procurement process and comply with State Purchasing regulations; act as liaison with the State Purchasing Office as directed.
- Participate in the development, management and implementation of programs and standards as they relate to the college's purchasing policies and procedures.
- Assist in the development, management and implementation of contracts and agreements related to procurement activities.
- Serve as a Community College's authorized agent for purchase requisition documents at a specified dollar level.
- Conduct and review informal written bids as required and directed by the Purchasing Officer.
- Interaction between other state agencies and public vendors as needed to accomplish departmental goals
- Ensure department accountability for the receipt of goods and authorization, processing and conclusion of vendor payments in concert with the Accounts Payable Office.
- Assist College department heads and project managers with the procurement process in order to meet program needs effectively and timely.
- Assist CCRI departments and departmental employees in the on-going training and maintenance of
 computerized purchasing system and conduct formal and informal training sessions for department heads and
 support staff on the overall purchasing process and the on-line purchasing system.
- Supervise and coordinate work of purchasing staff as designated by Purchasing Officer
- Other related duties as required.

LICENSES, TOOLS, AND EQUIPMENT:

Ability to use personal and mainframe computer systems as they relate to purchasing operations, telephone, fax machine, copy machine and calculator.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:

This position is not substantially exposed to adverse environmental conditions.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Substantial professional experience in a high volume, complex purchasing environment in a procurement capacity
- Must be able to work independently and exercise independent judgment.
- Demonstrable experience coordinating simultaneous multiple complex and detailed projects.
- Strong interpersonal, organizational and communications skill.
- Must be very detailed oriented

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Associate's degree in a business administration field.
- Work experience in Rhode Island State/Municipal purchasing environment.
- Experience with on-line purchasing systems highly desirable.
- Working knowledge of Excel and Word required, experience in Access.
- Experience in RI State system.

All requirements are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities.