

Job Description

Job Title: Laboratory Health and Safety Specialist (EH&S Specialist 1) UCP 5
Job ID: 2017661
Location: Storrs Campus
Regular/Temporary: Regular

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Job Posting

The Division of Environmental Health and Safety at the University of Connecticut, Storrs is seeking an Environmental Health and Safety Specialist (UCP 5). This position reports to the Chemical Health and Safety Manager or designee providing specialty technical services for the University in the area of laboratory safety and is responsible for supporting, developing and implementing the laboratory safety program. This position will serve the University community by conducting laboratory safety inspections, providing training to lab personnel, addressing laboratory safety issues and providing day-to-day guidance on laboratory safety matters.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Monitoring University compliance with applicable regulations and University policies in the area of laboratory safety through collection of appropriate data and records, and surveys of laboratories and other University facilities and operations, as needed.
- Providing consultation and training to the University community regarding appropriate procedures, controls, regulations and policies regarding safe laboratory practices, activities, equipment and environmental conditions that might have an impact on environmental health and safety.
- Conducts moderately complex surveys of University facilities and operations for existing hazardous conditions.
- Administers technical training programs regarding laboratory safety for University staff, as required by regulation, University policy or departmental directive.
- Participating in the review of standard operating or experimental procedures and the development of safety guidelines, communications, and educational information pertaining to laboratory safety.
- Compiling data and developing reports on laboratory safety and other environmental health and safety information.
- Investigates and submits written reports on incidents involving environmental health and safety matters.
- Responds to emergencies involving hazardous incidents to aid in remediation efforts on-site, as required.
- Potentially supervising professional and student staff.
- Performing related duties as required

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

1. Bachelor's degree in Environmental Health and Safety, Chemistry, Biology, Engineering or other closely related science field plus one years' experience in the field of health and safety or working in a research, teaching, diagnostic/clinical or quality control laboratory, OR Associate's degree in, Environmental Health and Safety, Chemistry, Biology, Engineering or other closely related science field plus three years' experience as noted above;
2. Knowledge of applicable laws, regulations, nationally recognized standards and guidelines relating to environmental health and safety;
3. Detail-oriented with a strong working ability with computer applications and database software; Knowledge of Microsoft Office products.

4. Excellent written and oral communication skills with the ability to interact effectively with a diverse community of University faculty, staff and students;
5. Ability to respond promptly in-person to all campus locations requiring environmental health and safety services, including the regional campuses, which may be outside of normal business hours.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

1. Professional certification in safety/health/environmental discipline (e.g., CSP, CHMM, etc.) or meets qualifications for certification.
2. Experience in an academic research environment
3. OSHA training (e.g., HAZWOPER) EPA training (e.g., RCRA)
4. Experience in presenting training before small and large groups.

APPOINTMENT TERMS

This is a full-time, 12 month permanent position based in Storrs. The University offers a competitive salary, outstanding benefits, including employee and dependent tuition waivers at UConn, and a highly desirable work environment. Salary is dependent upon education, qualifications and experience.

TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted online using UConn Jobs at <http://jobs.uconn.edu>. For full consideration, applications must include a **cover letter**, **resume** demonstrating how the qualifications and requirements of the position are met, and contact information for **three professional references**. An academic recommendation may substitute for one professional reference. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Employment of the successful candidate will be contingent upon the successful completion of a pre-employment criminal background check. (Search # 2017661)

This job posting is scheduled to be removed at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on July 19, 2017.

All employees are subject to adherence to the State Code of Ethics which may be found at <http://www.ct.gov/ethics/site/default.asp>.

The University of Connecticut is committed to building and supporting a multicultural and diverse community of students, faculty and staff. The diversity of students, faculty and staff continues to increase, as does the number of honors students, valedictorians and salutatorians who consistently make UConn their top choice. More than 100 research centers and institutes serve the University's teaching, research, diversity, and outreach missions, leading to UConn's ranking as one of the nation's top research universities. UConn's faculty and staff are the critical link to fostering and expanding our vibrant, multicultural and diverse University community. As an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer, UConn encourages applications from women, veterans, people with disabilities and members of traditionally underrepresented populations.

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