Sacramento County Office of Education Job Description Classification Title: Multimedia Design Specialist

DEFINITION

Under general direction, designs and produces a variety of digital, web and/or multimedia, graphics, motion graphics, and audio and video (A/V) projects; designs print materials and/or content to promote and support SCOE programs and events; designs, develops, publishes, and maintains website content; performs related duties as required.

DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE TO

Appropriate administrator.

SUPERVISION OVER

None; however, may provide technical direction to other staff.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

(Any one position may not include all of the listed duties, nor do all of the listed examples include all tasks which may be found in positions within this classification.)

Website Design/Maintenance/Social Media Management

Designs and creates layouts, graphics, motion graphics, video, sound, and/or content for online use; works with staff and outside agencies to review platform options and programming needs; designs web interfaces; develops layout design and concept, selects and secures appropriate graphic elements to be used; maintains, monitors, and updates websites and appropriate links in accordance with established guidelines; promotes and maintains SCOE social media presence; ensures quality, consistency, and accuracy of content; monitors and acts as a gatekeeper for information and compliance with applicable accessibility policies; proofreads copy; conducts cross-platform testing with common browsers and internet connection speeds; maintains internal posting of policies, forms, and related documents provided by staff.

Graphic Design/Digital and Print Material Production

Designs and produces print and digital materials, templates, layouts, flyers, forms, logos, letterhead, event programs, certificates, newsletters, packaging, and other documents using professional page layout and graphic design software; oversees applicable style and accessibility guidelines for materials and publications; composes, edits, and proofreads copy for accuracy, grammar, punctuation, consistency, and formatting; consults with SCOE Print Shop and external commercial printers regarding format and print specifications.

Audio/Video Production / Photography

Performs technical duties in the field and studio production of A/V projects and online video content; writes scripts and creates storyboards that accommodate accessibility guidelines; operates A/V equipment including video cameras, hard disk video recorders, digital video storage devices, lighting, and audio equipment; uses editing software, composites video, creates visual effects and design elements; creates or orders caption files and transcripts; takes event photos for website, video, print publications, and media use; edits and manipulates photos; maintains and organizes digital video and photograph archives.

Research/Technical Support

Provides high-level technical consultation to staff and other agencies; researches new technology and trends; troubleshoots, tests, and analyzes complex hardware and software problems and determines solutions; contacts vendors to research products and resolve technical problems; makes recommendations to staff and departments for upgraded hardware, software, and other technical equipment purchases; provides technical assistance and input regarding high-level design, page layout, and software/hardware purchases.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education, Training, and Experience

Any combination of education, training, and experience equivalent to a bachelor's degree in communications/journalism, public relations, graphic design, or related field; progressively responsible experience in the conceptualization, design, and production of graphics, web, and print materials; experience with A/V editing/production and/or a web development environment.

Knowledge of

Basic principles of graphic design including color theory, layout, and typography; techniques of public relations and marketing; Hypertext Markup Language (HTML), JavaScript, Cascading Style Sheets (CSS); principles and operation of the inter/intranet; traits and idiosyncrasies of various web browsers and operating systems; copyright and fair use regulations and policy; 508 compliance and accessibility standards and requirements for print, digital, A/V, and web-based materials; analytics systems; standard software applications including videoconferencing platforms.

Software: Adobe Creative Suite (InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere, After Effects, Media Encoder, Lightroom, and Acrobat Pro); File Transfer Protocol (FTP) applications; Microsoft Office; Final Cut Pro, Motion, and Compressor; iMovie; BBEdit.

Skill and Ability to

Navigate a variety of computer platforms and operating systems including macOS and Windows; operate peripheral equipment including printers, , scanners, cameras, video cameras, audio recording equipment, and projectors; creatively translate abstract concepts into effective visual form in a variety of media; adapt content to fit needs of clients and target audience; utilize industry standard production tools to design, edit, and produce video, audio, and graphic materials; communicate effectively in both oral and written form with individuals from various cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds; compose and edit written materials; explain technical concepts in non-technical terms to staff and clients; research and learn new software; make recommendations about and adapt to changes in technology; prioritize, organize, and schedule work assignments and projects; work individually on multiple projects in a deadline-driven environment; work independently with minimal supervision; establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with those contacted during the course of work.

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