GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs advanced (senior-level) systems administration work. Work involves coordinating the upkeep, configuration, and reliable operation of systems. Installs and upgrades computer components and system software. May supervise the work of others. Works under minimal supervision, with considerable latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Oversees and provides guidance in troubleshooting and solving complex problems related to system software and hardware incident and problem calls, and in the processing of service requests and tasks.

Coordinates projects that cross functional agency systems, and other state entities that require planning and scheduling during project development and implementation.

Coordinates studies and the preparation of reports that include study findings, recommendations, and instructions for proposed system implementations; formulates logical descriptions of problems; and devises and implements optimum solutions.

Coordinates the training of staff prior to the implementation of systems, and provides advice and guidance during the implementation process.

Coordinates and maintains the functionality of the systems environment, the implementation of technology solutions, the development of server upgrade plans and procedures, and the installation of operating systems.

Coordinates the development of operating procedures for technical support, troubleshooting, maintenance, and innovative systems administration techniques.

Develops, analyzes, and maintains system design procedures, system codes, test procedures, and quality standards.

Analyzes, troubleshoots, and resolves system hardware, software, and networking issues; and provides status reports to management.

Recommends to management systems technology solutions and enterprise-related hardware and software standards.
Assists in analyzing and defining agency disaster recovery responsibilities and procedures.

Assist with budget recommendations for operating systems, including the supporting hardware and software.

May supervise the work of others.

Performs related work as assigned.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Experience in systems administration work. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major coursework in computer science, management information systems, or a related field is generally preferred. Education and experience may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of systems administration, of computer hardware and software configuration and troubleshooting, of operating systems and applications, of computer programming and architecture of scripting languages, and of Internet security administration.

Skill in using logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions, or approaches to problems; in coordinating solutions to problems; in developing or revising system configurations; in scheduling, testing, installing, and implementing system software; and in troubleshooting computer systems.

Ability to recognize, analyze, and resolve complex technical issues; to use network management, administration, and other system administration tools; to analyze systems and procedures; to write and revise standards and procedures; to communicate effectively; and to supervise the work of others.

REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR LICENSURE

May require registration, certification, or licensure in a specialty area.