Post Baccalaureate

Job Description

Position Information

Position Title Post Baccalaureate

Position Number

Department Physics

Reports to (Title)

Assistant Professor of Physics

Seated Employee

Employee First Name

Employee Last Name

Job Summary

In three to five sentences, please briefly describe the job's primary purpose to the department.

Job Summary

The post-baccalaureate researcher will analyze data from state-of-the-art astronomical simulations to investigate the assembly history of low-mass galaxies. Responsibilities include processing and visualizing simulation outputs, generating databases for use by others, synthesizing relevant scientific literature, and documenting their work. The ideal candidate has experience with programming (Python preferred), scientific research, and an undergraduate physics background. Strong analytical skills and the ability to work independently within a research team are essential.

Position Summary Information

Select the level of education needed to successfully accomplish the essential duties of this job.

Bachelor's degree from four-year college or university

If a specific degree, certification, license, or registration is necessary, please list.

N/A

Select the level of experience needed to successfully start the position and accomplish the essential duties of this job.

Less than six months

Preferred Qualifications N/A

FLSA Category

Staff/Faculty Staff

Employment Status Full-Time

Employment Category

Term

Essential Staff (emergency

situations)?

No

On-Call?

Essential Responsibilities

List the job's most important responsibilities. There are probably no more than six of these. Also indicate the approximate percent of time spent on each job function. (Note: Do not record how the job responsibilities are carried out.)

Essential Responsibility percentage of time needs to equal 100%

Responsibility Analyzing data from astronomical computer simulations

Percentage Of Time 5

Responsibility Identifying, reading, and summarizing relevant scientific literature

Percentage Of Time 20

Responsibility Providing guidance and help to undergraduate research students

Percentage Of Time

Responsibility Documenting work and results

Percentage Of Time

Responsibility Collaborating with faculty at Grinnell and elsewhere

Percentage Of Time

General Responsibilities

General Responsibilities (1) Maintain regular attendance in accordance with department policy.

(2) Comply with all safety policies, practices and procedures. Report all unsafe activities to supervisor and/or Human Resources.

(3) Understand and comply with the policies of the College Staff Handbook.

(4) Demonstrate commitment to customer service. Establish effective relationships with internal and external customers and respond to their needs.

(5) Perform duties as a team member in a manner supportive of department and College procedures, policies and goals.

(6) Protect confidentiality of College information.

(7) Provide leadership to others through example and sharing of knowledge/skill.

(8) Communicate with others in a courteous and helpful manner.

(9) Perform other duties as assigned.

Supervisory Responsibilities

Does this job have supervisory responsibilities?

No

If yes, then check all that are supervised by this position.

Supervise Student Staff No

If you supervise student staff, enter approximately how many and the total hours? (e.g., 2 students/XX hours)

Supervise Non-Exempt Staff

No

If you supervise non-exempt staff please enter the number.

Supervise Exempt Staff

No

If you supervise exempt staff please enter the number.

Select the level of supervision that this position provides.

Supervision Received

Select the level of supervision that this position receives from their supervisor.

Direction: receive guidance with respect to general objectives; in the majority of tasks and projects assigned, determine methods, work sequence, scheduling, and how to achieve objectives of assignments; operate within specific policy guidelines.

Computer Operations

Please check one of the following

Demonstrated use of intermediate computer operations (relational databases, and operating systems) and intermediate software packages (word processing, spreadsheet, graphics, etc.)

Travel

Please check one of the following

Minimal overnight travel (up to 10%) by land and/or air.

Essential Function Analysis

Accurate identification of essential and marginal functions and the time required is important for making a variety of personnel decisions, including recruitment, hiring, performance evaluation, discipline, training and accommodation. The analysis explains the components of the job by identifying who, what, why, how much, and when.

Essential functions are those functions that individual must be able to perform either unaided or with the assistance of a reasonable accommodation. A job function may be considered essential if it meets one of the following criteria:

• the position exists for performance of the function;

• a limited number of employees can perform the function, and it, therefore cannot be reassigned;

the function is specialized and requires certain expertise to perform it.

Many jobs will also have marginal functions. Marginal functions are those that may be performed by the position but are not tasks critical to job success, can be completed in a number of ways by a variety of people, and are not the primary functions for which the position exists.

Mental/Cognitive Requirements

How much on-the-job time is spent in the following mental/cognitive activities? Show the amount of time by checking the appropriate boxes below.

Analyzing information or data Over 2/3

- Essential or Marginal? Essential

Effective communication skills

Over 2/3

- Essential or Marginal? Essential

Under 1/3

Composing & comprehending communication materials

- Essential or Marginal?

Marginal

Establishing effective interpersonal relationships	Under 1/3
- Essential or Marginal?	Marginal
Adjusting to changes (work load, environment, department structure, etc.)	Under 1/3
- Essential or Marginal?	Marginal
Using logic to define problems, collect information, establish facts, draw valid conclusions, etc	1/3 to 2/3
- Essential or Marginal?	Essential
Making decisions of moderate to substantial consequence	None
- Essential or Marginal?	Marginal
Performing mathematical calculations	Under 1/3
- Essential or Marginal?	Marginal
Editing reports or technical materials	Under 1/3
- Essential or Marginal?	Marginal
Planning and organizing (work load, schedules, events, etc.)	Under 1/3
contouring, evening, even,	
- Essential or Marginal?	Marginal
,	Marginal Under 1/3
- Essential or Marginal? Handle stressful, emotional and/or	
- Essential or Marginal? Handle stressful, emotional and/or frustrating situations	Under 1/3
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Memory functions	(remembering
names, details and	procedures)

Under 1/3

- Essential or Marginal?

Marginal

Physical Requirements

How much on-the-job time is spent in the following physical activities? Show the amount of time by checking the appropriate boxes below.

Remaining in a stationary position

Under 1/3

Traverse/move locations

Under 1/3

Ascend or descend between floors

Under 1/3

Reach with hands and arms

Under 1/3

Ascend or descend ladder

None

Position self to access small or

None

restricted spaces

Communicate or exchange

1/3 to 2/3

information

None

Detect specific flavors or odors

Does this job require that weight be moved or force be exerted? If so, how much and how often? Check the appropriate boxes below.

Weight lifted or force exerted: up to 10 pounds (with or without assisted device)

Under 1/3

Weight lifted or force exerted: up to 25 pounds (with or without assisted device)

None

Weight lifted or force exerted: up to 50 pounds (with or without assisted None

device)

None

Weight lifted or force exerted: up to 100 pounds (with or without assisted device)

Weight lifted or force exerted: more than 100 pounds (with or without assisted device)

None

Please check one of the following

Light physical activity performing non-strenuous daily activities.

Does this job have any essential vision requirements? Check all that apply.

Close vision (clear vision at 20 inches or less)

Work Environment

How much exposure to the following environmental conditions does this job require? Show the amount of time by checking the appropriate boxes below.

Wet or humid conditions (nonweather)

None

None Extreme cold (non-weather) None Extreme heat (non-weather) None **Outdoor weather conditions** None Work near moving mechanical parts None Work in high, precarious places None Air Contamination (i.e., dust, fume, smoke, toxic conditions, disagreeable odors) None **Toxic or caustic chemicals** None Work with explosives None Risk of electrical shock

Vibration (i.e. operating jackhammer, None

impact wrench)

None Risk of radiation None **Confined Spaces**

Please check one or more of the following locations where this job

would work

Well-lighted, heated and/or air-conditioned indoor setting with adequate ventilation.

How much noise is typical for the work environment of this job? Check the appropriate level below.

Moderate noise (examples: business office with computers and printers, light traffic)

Additional Information

Include any other physical, mental or environmental information that will aid in the preparation of an accurate description of this job.

Position Documents

No documents have been attached.