Front End Web Developer/Designer

Campus/Location: University Park Campus
Work Unit: Outreach
Department: Penn State Public Media
Date Announced: 02/09/2015
Date Closing: ** Open Until Filled **
Job Number: 55727

Level/Salary Band/Classification: 02 - J - Exempt
03 - K - Exempt

Outreach’s Penn State Public Media not only houses the region’s National Public Radio (NPR) and Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) stations, but also develops national documentary film and education initiatives to raise awareness of important social issues, and works with a multitude of on-campus clients to deliver web, video and interactive solutions that promote Penn State and its mission. Our busy and growing multimedia team seeks a creative talent who enjoys learning new techniques, has a strong understanding of user experience, and loves the web. If you enjoy graphical design, there will be opportunities to use your Photoshop/Illustrator skills, but your focus will primarily be HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. Core development platforms include Expression Engine, Drupal, and PHP. You will create templates and prototypes at the beginning of development while working with content experts, designers, and developers to complete the implementation and launch. You’ll enjoy a team-oriented, casual atmosphere conducive to maximizing your potential but must be comfortable discussing and contributing ideas at any stage of the process. This job will be filled as a level 2, or level 3, depending upon the successful candidate’s competencies, education, and experience. Typically requires an Associate’s degree or higher plus two years of related experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience for a level 2. Additional experience and/or education and competencies are required for higher level jobs. It would be a bonus if you have skills in Adobe Creative Suite and experience with accessibility issues. Competencies critical to success are the demonstrated ability to implement one-off projects quickly while keeping long-term projects on schedule; rapid development/prototyping of front-end XHTML/CSS/JS; JavaScript, with an emphasis on jQuery; exposure or experience with widely used CMS; proficiency solving cross-browser issues and solutions. This is a fixed-term appointment funded for one year from date of hire with excellent possibility of re-funding. We seek candidates who are able to demonstrate experience and ability to advance Outreach’s diversity initiative.

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