

Dir, Research Security Compliance

Job Description

JOB INFORMATION					
Job Code	EE36				
Job Description Title	Dir, Research Security Compliance				
Pay Grade	LC15				
Range Minimum	\$108,090				
33rd %	\$140,520				
Range Midpoint	\$156,730				
67th %	\$172,940				
Range Maximum	\$205,370				
Exemption Status	Exempt				
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JOB FAMILY AND FUNCTION

Job Family:	Legal, Compliance & Audit
Job Function:	Research Security

JOB SUMMARY

Reporting to the Chief Research Security Officer (CRSO) the Director of Research Security responsible for the development and implementation of programs that ensure the university's research activities comply with federal regulations, including export controls and research security mandates. Serves as the Facility Security Officer (FSO) and Insider Threat Program Senior Official (ITPSO), managing the university's classified research portfolio and protecting against foreign influence. Manages the day-to-day operations of the Research Security Compliance Office, ensures compliance with federal security regulations and university policies related to classified research, export control, and controlled unclassified information.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Directs efforts to identify and mitigate foreign influence risks by working closely with faculty and staff toassess international travel, collaborations, and affiliations. Develops risk mitigation strategies, including training and compliance programs, to safeguard the integrity of the university's research initiatives.
- Manages the classified security program by developing processes for US government-funded researchcompliance, including reporting, auditing, record maintenance, and training, while ensuring adherence to theNational Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM), Intelligence Community Directives (ICDs), and other federal regulations.
- Serves as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) by advising university leadership, faculty, staff, and students onclassified operations, and educating them on safeguarding classified information through presentations, briefings, and internal assessments.
- Conducts internal audits and risk assessments of the university's classified, export control, insider threat, and controlled unclassified information programs between scheduled government audits to ensure compliance with government directives and prepare for external reviews.
- Leads the development and implementation of university-wide foreign travel security and research securitytraining programs, ensuring that all covered individuals receive mandatory training on international travelrisks and research security protocols. Establishes and administers system for tracking and reporting high-riskinternational travel.
- Provides comprehensive oversight and leadership of Auburn University's Insider Threat Program, ensuring itseffectiveness in identifying, managing, and mitigating insider threats. Leads the program development, foster cross-departmental collaboration, oversees risk management, ensures regulatory compliance, guides trainingefforts, coordinates incident responses, and maintains transparent reporting to university leadership andgovernment agencies.
- Performs other related duties as assigned by supervisor.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisory Responsibility

May be responsible for training, assisting or assigning tasks to others. May provide input to performance reviews of other employees.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

To be eligible, an individual must meet all minimum requirements which are representative of the knowledge, skills, and abilities typically expected to be successful in the role. For education and experience, minimum requirements are listed on the top row below. If substitutions are available, they will be listed on subsequent rows and may only to be utilized when the candidate does not meet the minimum requirements.

MINIMUM EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE							
Education Level	Focus of Education		Years of Experience	Focus of Experience			
Master's Degree	Business Administration, Public Administration, Political Science, Business Law, Cyber, Information Security, Engineering, Legal, International Studies, or related field.	and	8 years of	Experience in intelligence, counterintelligence, or information security. Experience in management, training, compliance, and protection of US Government-controlled information. Experience must show progressively increasing levels of responsibility and accountability.	Or		

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, & ABILITIES	
Advanced knowledge and advanced understanding of US government security regulations and intelligence/counterintelligence operations to include the implementation and management of compliance processes, procedures, and best practices.	
Advanced written and verbal communication skills and the ability to present effectively to small and large audience of varying experience and operational backgrounds.	
Strong relationship building and negotiation skills.	
Demonstrated ability to identify problems, analyze courses of action and implement solutions.	
Demonstrated ability to expertly handle sensitive discussions with discretion, strong personal ethics commitment and sound judgment.	
Consistently models high standards of honesty, openness, and respect for the individual.	
Demonstrated ability to mentor and lead Research Security Compliance personnel.	
Experience working in an organization with integrated, cross-functional work teams is necessary.	
Demonstrated effectiveness in a operational environment with concurrent tasks and changing priorities and resources.	
Ability to conduct comprehensive risk assessments and identify security vulnerabilities related to information security, personnel security and physical security protocols.	

MINIMUM LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS							
Licenses/Certifications	Licenses/Certification Details	Time Frame	Required/ Desired				
	Must be a U.S. citizen with a current U.S. government Top Secret security clearance or have a current U.S. government Secret security clearance with the ability to obtain a U.S. government Top Secret security clearance.	Upon Hire	Required	And			
	Completion of Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agencies Facility Security Officers Course for Possessing Facilities.	Upon Hire	Required				

REQUIRED PRE-EMPLOYMENT/ONGOING SCREENINGS

Security Clearance

PHYSICAL DEMANDS & WORKING CONDITIONS

Physical Demands Category: Other

PHYSICAL DEMANDS							
Physical Demand	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Constantly	Weight	
Standing			X				
Walking			X				
Sitting					X		
Lifting	Χ						
Climbing			X				
Stooping/ Kneeling/ Crouching			X				
Reaching			X				
Talking					X		
Hearing					X		
Repetitive Motions			X				
Eye/Hand/Foot Coordination			X				

WORKING ENVIRONMENT							
Working Condition	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Constantly		
Extreme cold		X					
Extreme heat		X					
Humidity		X					
Wet		X					
Noise		X					
Hazards		X					
Temperature Change		X					
Atmospheric Conditions		X					
Vibration		X					

Vision Requirements:

Ability to see information in print and/or electronically.