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Job Title Department Institution	Veterans Certification Specialist Financial Aid Central Oregon Community College Bend, Oregon
Date Posted	Feb. 19, 2025
Application Deadline Position Start Date	03/09/2025 Available immediately
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Veterans Certification Specialist

Position Number: B94PD Starting Wage/Salary: \$23.12 - \$24.05 / hour plus exceptional benefits Close Date: 03/09/2025

Primary Purpose:

As the lead School Certifying Official, you will work within a supportive Financial Aid team, assisting



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our Veteran students and families to ensure they receive their Veterans educational benefits at Central Oregon Community College.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

While this role has a wide variety of oversight, here are few typical daily and weekly responsibilities.

- You will manage the certification of Veterans educational benefits for Veteran students and their families, ensuring compliance with the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) and Department of Defense (DoD).
- You will act as a liaison between students and the VA, assisting with forms, resolving payment issues, and interpreting regulations.
- You will oversee compliance efforts, including conducting audits, maintaining training requirements, and being the lead in responding to VA surveys.
- You will be involved in training Veteran Work Study students, ensuring adherence to program regulations.
- You will collaborate with college departments to communicate program updates and analyze student impact.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

Individuals must possess these knowledge, skills and abilities or be able to explain and demonstrate that the individual can perform the duties and responsibilities of the job, with or without reasonable accommodation, using some other combination of skills and abilities. The individual is expected to follow College work rules and policies.

- Ability to handle time-sensitive projects, research problems and process files while dealing with continual interruptions from counter traffic and phone work.
- Ability to use good listening skills to communicate with students and agency or military personnel in response to a variety of questions
- Ability to understand and effectively use administrative software systems such as Banner and VA-Once to accomplish job functions.
- Ability to work well in teams and with customers.
- Ability to understand and use MS Office suite products, such as Word, Excel and Access to create work applications and reports.
- Ability to work accurately and in detail.



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- Ability to stay current with regulatory changes by monitoring professional websites and attending seminars as needed.
- Must be able to use a keyboard, fax, scanner, personal, multi-line telephone, folding machine, shredders, etc.
- Must be able to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, using the English language with or without the use of an interpreter.
- Must be able to demonstrate essential job functions outlined above.
- Ability to work cooperatively with and contribute to a diverse workplace through ideas or experience.
- Must be able to comply with the Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA), which requires colleges and universities to protect the privacy of student information and records.
- Ability to competently advise and/or serve students from a variety of backgrounds, respecting cultural and socio-economic differences.

Minimum Requirements:

Education

• Associates degree.

Experience

- Two (2) years experience in any combination of the following:
 - Data management related to services and or programming provided by an organization.
 - Reviewing and interpreting detailed customer profiles, accounts and records.
 - Providing service-oriented information in-person, by phone and by email regarding compliance, policies, and/or procedures.
- One (1) year experience interpreting and implementing policies or policy changes.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience with Ellucian Banner software.
- Experience in higher education financial aid office setting, or veterans services.
- Experience with Veterans Affairs or Services.



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This policy covers nondiscrimination in both employment and access to educational opportunities. When brought to the attention of the appropriate parties, any such actions will be promptly and equitably responded to according to the process outlined in general procedures sections N-1, N-2, or N-3.

In support of COCCs EEO statement, bilingual fluency in English and Spanish is considered a plus, along with experience working in a diverse multicultural setting.

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