Install, maintain, and monitor the local area network (LAN) and secure network access for a department or business unit. Evaluate vendor products in hardware, software, and telecommunications equipment and recommends purchases consistent with short- and long-term objectives. Recommend and implement LAN policies and standards and ensure adherence to security procedures. Maintain contact with outside organizations in the maintenance, service and/or purchase of the LAN. Train users on LAN operations and procedures (access, security and usage).

Key Roles & Responsibilities:

1. Responsible for procurement, implementation, administration and day-to-day access, usage and performance of the department LAN. Provide integrated team support security and maintenance of networked fileservers, hardware and software. Study vendor products to determine those which best meet organization needs and assists in the installation of hardware, software, and telecommunications equipment.

2. Responsible for handling highly complex networks, connectivity and performance issues and problem resolution.

3. Analyze and provide bandwidth requirements, security requirements and perform associated periodic assessments. Collaborates with central security office to implement and manage security policies.

4. Oversee the installation of new workstations and other devices; provision accounts and other security devices or software. Train users on secure usage of fileserver and LAN services.

5. Provide counsel to senior management on future network needs assessments.

6. Serve as subject matter expert on complex projects; provide work guidance to junior staff members.

Expertise: Describe the requirement for knowledge and expertise about the subject area as well as how various parts of the University work together to achieve objectives. Explain the degree of understanding required of the industry and university environment.

As a senior staff member, incumbent is required to have an advanced understanding of his/her discipline including all required certifications as well as an advanced understanding of the business environment of a large university system. Incumbent must demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the University system, its policies, and its operating procedures. Incumbent must have demonstrated project management skills and the ability to work within a matrixed environment if necessary. Incumbent is expected to maintain currency of knowledge with respect to relevant state-of-the-art technology, equipment, and/or systems.

Incumbent should have advanced knowledge of computer sciences and applied skills and abilities for: diagnosing and resolving LAN problems; setting up and rebuilding clients; administering server directory structure authentications, permissions and shares; create databases, administering access rights and maintaining database performance; creating, developing and maintaining Intranet Web sites; resolving Help Desk issues; introducing new applications, installing them on servers/clients, and providing basic user training to improve users’ computer literacy and proficiency. Incumbents should demonstrate ability to manage, secure and monitor large numbers of devices across a large department or organizational unit including research devices and labs.

Problem Solving: Describe the nature and complexity of the problems this position encounters on a recurring basis. Include information regarding the level of innovation required, if any, and include mention of environmental factors that may add to the complexity of resolving issues.

Incumbent will address complex problems and will use experience and judgment in creating solutions. Incumbent seeks assistance when significant deviations are proposed, or when unprecedented problems arise. Incumbent develops approaches to problem-solving and anticipates/mitigates potential issues.
Nature & Area of Impact: To what degree does this job affect the University (i.e., through interactions with faculty or students, making decisions, defining or setting strategy, etc.)? What is the breadth of the impact that this job has, either positive or negative (i.e., affects own team, department, function, business unit, entire university, etc.)?

Impact is felt within the team/department for which the incumbent works and within multiple, coordinating departments. Work quality, decision-making and long-term project management can affect the productivity of students, faculty and/or staff. Impact of errors is substantial and usually university-wide though mostly short-lived.

Interactions / Interpersonal Skills: Describe the nature and level of interactions this job has with others, both internally and externally. Explain any specific interpersonal skills necessary to successfully perform this role (i.e., negotiation skills, represents business at external events or to governmental bodies, etc.).

Interactions are with fellow team members and coordinating team members, but the incumbent will also have interactions with assigned student, faculty, or staff clients. Incumbent works with and may manage external vendors and service providers. Incumbent should possess superior verbal and written communication skills to convey technical guidance and information to users and to provide excellent customer service. Incumbent will train and provide guidance to more junior staff members and provide management with input into performance evaluations. Incumbent may provide guidance to management on critical technology issues. Incumbent is recognized as an technical authority within the University.

Distinguishing Characteristics

This is the senior or lead level for the discipline. Incumbent possesses all requirements and skills for Level 3 and has achieved proficiency in the typical tasks assigned to Level 3.

• Skills: Distinguished from Level 3 skills in that the Level 4 incumbent has fully developed and regularly applies his/her advanced technical skills.
• Level of Work: Distinguished from Level 3 work by highly complex and strategically significant activities. Assignments at Level 4 are usually long-term and the incumbent has significant latitude to devise the approach and method to performing the assignment.
• Supervision: Distinguished from Level 3 by the complexity and duration of assignments. Level 4 assignments are typically multi-faceted, may be cross-discipline and require significant coordination and planning by the incumbent. Level 4 incumbents regularly perform long-term and non-routine assignments with only general supervisory intervention. Also distinguished from Level 3 in that the incumbent serves as a resource to Level 1, 2 and 3 incumbents on complex problems. Level 4 incumbents will often train Level 1, 2 and 3 incumbents on work processes and policies and assist management with developing their technical skills. Level 4 has input into hiring decisions and staff performance assessments, but does not directly supervise.
• Interactions: Distinguished from Level 3 in that the Level 4 incumbent regularly works beyond his/her own team and often externally. The Level 4 incumbent regularly works with related teams, client groups, management and vendors and interactions may include influencing others.
• Focus: Distinguished from Level 3 in that the Level 4 incumbent regularly works toward specific team goals and client goals, and assists in establishing department processes and standards.

Job Requirements And Qualifications: Indicate the minimum and preferred education and experience for this job and any licenses and certifications required.

Minimum Education: Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience in Computer Science, MIS, Computer Engineering or related disciplines. Preferred Education: Master's degree in Computer Science, MIS, Computer Engineering or related discipline.

Minimum Experience: 5-7 years Preferred Experience: 7-10 years

Required Licenses/Certifications: