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Computing and Communications Services (CCS)

Hiring #: 2020-0012

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Computing and Communication Services (CCS) is the central IT department on campus, providing IT infrastructure and central technology services to the university of Guelph community. CCS has a progressive organizational culture, including a strong learning and development focus, and is committed to its core values: service culture, integrity, individual leadership, teamwork, agility and communication.

Reporting to the Associate Vice-President and Chief Information Officer (CIO), the Chief Enterprise Architect (CEA) is a technology leader, strategist and innovator. This position is accountable for leading digital transformation across the University, with a focus on cloud solutions, IT optimization and user experience. The role is responsible for developing and communicating a vision for the entire IT community; influencing direction, developing consensus and leading and planning around strategic technical direction. The CEA will use their in-depth technical knowledge to understand the existing and emerging new technologies with the ability to rationalize systems, processes, and staffing to ensure the IT community is operating at peak efficiency and services are being delivered in the most cost-effective manner. The successful candidate will develop and drive innovation through digital transformation, including using a systematic approach to adopt the most appropriate cloud management solutions to current and future technology requirements to support research, teaching and administration across the institution. As a member of the CCS Leadership team the CEA will support the CIO through identifying and analyzing the implementation of change towards creating shared IT vision which supports the University's vision and strategy.

The successful candidate demonstrates strong leadership skills and an aptitude to communicate, collaborate and build strong working relationships with CCS Leadership team, senior executives, campus IT Leaders, administrators, academic leaders, students and the campus community to ensure that the intuitional perspectives are aligned with the organization's IT strategy, innovation and governance strategies, policies and standards. The incumbent will focus on delivering actionable recommendations to the CIO and senior leaders, so that the University is able to respond to rapid technology developments and changes in various sectors impacting higher education.

Requirements of this position include:

- Undergraduate degree in computer science/information technology combined with a minimum of ten years related work experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience
- Demonstrated IT industry and Higher Education IT awareness with the ability to identify business and IT technology change solutions, process and performance requirements
- Expert knowledge of cloud technologies and models: architecting cloud solutions, integration of cloud and on-premise solutions, experience and familiarity with digital technologies (chatbots and AI), on premise enterprise architecture and data center design
- Strong analytical skills to research business systems, determine trends and develop and streamline processes for large complex business applications and/or service operations
- Several years successful experience management of large-scale complex system development projects
- Thorough understanding of IT management practices, including the design, development, implementation and maintenance of large complex application systems

- Superior interpersonal skills with ability to work in a team environment, build strong relationship with a variety of stakeholders, and tactfully manage collaborate and collegial interactions
- Knowledge and understanding of University policies and procedures is considered a strong asset.

Consideration of candidates will begin in February and will continue until the position is filled.

Position Number   062-018
Classification   P10*

Professional/Managerial Salary Bands [2]

*Tentative evaluation; subject to committee review.

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