

**CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
JOB OPPORTUNITY
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER**

Open To: The Public

Location: 39 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT 06105

Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Salary: Commensurate With Experience

Closing Date: October 25, 2013

General Definition

The Connecticut State Colleges & Universities (ConnSCU) invites applications for the position of Chief Information Officer (CIO). Governed by a Board of Regents (BOR), ConnSCU encompasses four universities, twelve community colleges, one on line institution (Charter Oak State College), and a System Office serving more than 100,000 students. The CIO, located at the System Office in Hartford, provides leadership and support for system-wide computing and telecommunications services. ConnSCU seeks an outstanding individual to fill this essential leadership role, which has a significant impact on the System's future capacity to provide high-quality, effective programs and services.

Background and Position

ConnSCU is the largest public university system in Connecticut. Its universities and colleges offer high-quality graduate and undergraduate programs and provide extensive opportunities for internships, community service and cultural engagement. The System Office coordinates and supports the seventeen ConnSCU institutions and serves as staff to the BOR. The ConnSCU Chief Information Officer leads and supports the system's information technology and telecommunications functions, including IT planning and direction, software development and maintenance, as well as voice, data and video networking support. Reporting to the President of the BOR, the position directs a staff of professionals, managerial, technical and support people, working closely with university and college presidents and campus chief information officers, among others.

Examples of Duties

Representative duties include:

- Direct the designing, development, installation and maintenance of the System's computer and telecommunications hardware and software infrastructure. This duty includes determining the needs of various technology users throughout the System; determining the technology available to meet those needs; developing budgets, selecting proper equipment and software, and directing the installation, testing and operation of the systems.

- Provide strategic direction for the long-term development of the System's information technology, including research into emerging technology and setting standards and policy for installations, maintenance and operations.
- Assure the effective and efficient operation of the System's automated systems including its networks, computers, telecommunications equipment, automated academic support and the production of computerized output by effective direction of all those functions.
- Provide effective leadership and direction to assigned staff including such actions as selecting, training and developing staff, providing technical and administrative guidance and reviewing and evaluating staff performance.

Qualification:

Knowledge, Skill and Ability:

The ideal candidate for the position of ConnSCU Chief Information Officer will have the following professional qualifications and personal characteristics, among others: outstanding leadership ability; the experience, preparation, and training sufficient to guide ConnSCUs information technology systems, to plan for and manage the implementation of future needed changes, and to assess and enhance the effectiveness of those systems; an ability to develop and articulate a shared vision for the future of the University System's information technology functions; an understanding of the academic mission and cultures of higher education and public institutions; project management skills; strong interpersonal and communication skills; strength of character, integrity, and high ethical standards.

Minimum Education, Experience, and Training Required:*

General Experience:

An advanced university education in computer science, public administration, or information technology, plus; a minimum of ten years' experience applying information and telecommunications technology to a complex organization and demonstrating mastery in all areas of higher education IT.

*Education, experience, and training comparable to the requirements set forth herein may be substituted in lieu thereof.

Application Instructions:

Interested candidates should submit a letter of application and resume with details of experience and training, along with names and contact information for three (3) professional references to:

Connecticut State Colleges & Universities
Board of Regents for Higher Education
Steven Weinberger, Vice President for Human Resources
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Hartford, CT 06105
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Applications must be postmarked no later than the closing date listed above. **All required documents must be submitted to be considered for interview.**

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