New York State Department of Civil Service

DIVISION OF CLASSIFICATION & COMPENSATION

Classification Standard

Occ. Code 6229100

Research Laboratory Technical Assistant, Grade 14

Illustrative Tasks

Research Laboratory Technical Assistant: under general direction from medical or scientific personnel in the Health Department's Division of Laboratories and Research, performs experimental technical laboratory work in assigned research projects: operates complex scientific laboratory instruments; instructs students, technicians and professional personnel from the Department and from private laboratories throughout the state in the operation of scientific laboratory equipment and in the performance of specialized laboratory techniques; makes observations on the progress of experiments and records results in a scientific manner; reads scientific literature relating to assigned projects; provides technical advice and assistance to professional research staff in the preparation of scientific papers and reports for publication; maintains basic laboratory records; performs minor maintenance of equipment; may supervise subordinate technical laboratory employees.

Minimum Qualifications

Although competitive examinations are not held for this class, candidates must be high school graduates and have eight years of progressively responsible technical scientific experience in a laboratory setting. College education may be substituted on a year for year basis for up to two years of the required experience.

Note: Classification Standards illustrate the nature, extent and scope of duties and responsibilities of the classes they describe. Standards cannot and do not include all of the work that might be appropriately performed by a class. The minimum qualifications above are those which were required for appointment at the time the Classification Standard was written. Please contact the Division of Staffing Services for current information on minimum qualification requirements for appointment or examination.

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