



Title: Technical Support Specialist

Location: Tucson, AZ

Employee Type: Full-Time

Hours Per Week: 40

Travel: No

Relocation Covered: Possible

Desired Start Date: As soon as possible

Salary: \$55,000

Benefits: Medical and dental insurance, life insurance, disability, retirement plan, and more.

PSI will not sponsor applicants for work visas.

Summary Job Description:

The Planetary Science Institute (PSI) is seeking to hire a Technical Support Specialist to support the administrative and research staff as well as infrastructure systems and service facilities which includes software, operating systems, and hardware installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting for Windows, Linux, and Mac systems.

Primary Responsibilities/Activities:

- Install, configure, and maintain computer workstation hardware, software, and peripheral equipment.
- Desktop imaging, backups, and restores.
- Evaluate and address ticket requests in the trouble ticket system.
- Maintain endpoint security of workstations & servers by implementing virus and software scans, updates, and other required security protocols.
- Evaluate training requirements, develops materials, and trains users regarding computer operations, multimedia, web, e-mail, security, backup, software use, and file and computer maintenance.
- Maintain conference room A/V hardware and software.
- Support 3D and large-format printing facilities.
- Create and maintain documentation for end-users and support staff.
- Asset and license management.
- Off-hours support or tasks as needed.

Note: Management may assign or reassign duties and responsibilities to this job at any time.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- In-depth knowledge of commonly used computer workstation & server hardware and software components.
- Skill in troubleshooting issues both in-person and remotely.
- Effective use of a ticketing system and ability to maintain SLA.
- Understanding of networking and network components.
- Understanding of management consoles in cloud environments.
- Windows and OS X experience.
- Google Workspace and Office365 support.
- Strong ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing.
- Ability to use chat clients and remote assistance tools to support users.
- Effectively manage time and set priorities.
- Strong organization skills and ability to think analytically.
- Ability to work independently as well as on a team.

Preferred Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Slack and Zoom usage.
- Windows Server and RedHat/CentOS Server experience.
- Apache, MySQL/MariaDB, PostgreSQL experience.
- Knowledge of authentication systems.
- Provided support for an academic research organization.
- Provided support for a virtual organization.

Minimum Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree in Information Technology or Computer Science and 3-5 years of work experience in progressive positions as an IT support technician or help desk supervisor preferred, or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

Must be able to perform essential physical, mental, and environmental conditions of the job:

- Mobility: frequent use of keyboard and mouse; frequent sitting for long periods of time.
- Physical: may need to carry and lift equipment up to 50 pounds and push or pull equipment on a hand truck or cart of up to 100 pounds. It may be necessary to bend, kneel, and reach to connect and disconnect equipment. It may be necessary to handle objects to build computer racks and shelves. Some tasks may require the use of a foot stool or step ladder.
- Vision: constant use of overall vision; frequent reading and close-up work; frequent color and occasional depth vision.
- Dexterity: frequent repetitive motion.
- Hearing/Talking: frequent hearing and talking, in-person and on the phone.
- Emotional/Psychological: frequent decision-making and concentration; frequent independent work and learning; frequent coordination of tasks with other co-workers; occasional off-hours responsibilities; may on occasion need to speak to groups.
- Reading/Comprehension: frequent interpretation and understanding of written (print and electronic) technical documentation, reports, web research results and user requests.
- Environmental: periodic exposure to noise and cold in the server room.

To apply for the position:

If you are interested in applying for this position, have the required skills, and you meet the minimum qualifications, please submit the following documents to apply@psi.edu:

- A cover letter that addresses your interest and qualifications for this position.
- Resume
- Completed Application and Voluntary Self-Identification form (can be found on www.psi.edu or by sending a request to apply@psi.edu).

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