TITLE: Promotion Assistant

SALARY CLASS

SCHEDULE: B

CODE: PN338

UNION: P&A Local 1979, UAW

GRADE: 11

CODE: 30

EEO

FLSA: Non-Exempt

CLASS: PN

POSITION PURPOSE
Plan, develop and support promotion, direct mail and publicity campaigns in support of marketing sales and/or advertising of selected university products and programs.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS
- Develop and prepare promotion and direct mail pieces, i.e., subject, special seasonal and annual catalogs; brochures, flyers, etc. Research and write catalog copy; develop design and layout for printed materials; select illustrations and photographs; interface with external printers, freelancers, direct mail and postal services to support production and mailing of catalogs.

- Develop and execute publicity plans and events. Research internet sites, trade resource materials and databases to compile information and secure special material; interface with authors, outside media and industry professionals to inform and schedule events; solicit blurbs and promotional quotes, write press releases and prepare press kits; distribute page proofs. Coordinate seasonal publicity calls, book signings, media interviews and other events.

- Select and submit appropriate product information to trade and media publications and sales representatives. Maintain contact with reviewers, scholarly publications, media outlets and databases. Keep apprised of product information through publications, journals, newspapers and magazines. Catalog post-publication reviews and media hits.

- Represent the department at exhibit expositions and related external events; attend professional conferences and seminars to remain current with industry standards and new trends.

- Monitor direct mail postage costs and printing charges; submit appropriate university forms.

- Generate and execute online and social media plan for Press.

- Perform related work as assigned.

THIS DESCRIPTION IS INTENDED TO INDICATE THE KINDS OF TASKS AND LEVELS OF WORK DIFFICULTY THAT WILL BE REQUIRED OF POSITIONS THAT WILL BE GIVEN THIS TITLE AND SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS DECLARING WHAT THE SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ANY PARTICULAR POSITION SHALL BE. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO LIMIT OR IN ANY WAY MODIFY THE RIGHT OF ANY SUPERVISOR TO ASSIGN, DIRECT AND CONTROL THE WORK OF EMPLOYEES UNDER THEIR SUPERVISION. THE USE OF A PARTICULAR EXPRESSION OR ILLUSTRATION DESCRIBING DUTIES SHALL NOT BE HELD TO EXCLUDE OTHER DUTIES NOT MENTIONED THAT ARE OF SIMILAR KIND OR LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY.
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Graduation from an accredited college or university or an equivalent combination of education and/or experience.

- Some knowledge and experience of writing, editorial, design and proofreading skills.

- Some knowledge and experience in database management, and utilization of word processing and desktop publishing software applications.

- Some knowledge and experience in trade or scholarly publishing and major media publications.

- Ability to communicate effectively with others.

- Ability to work independently as well as in a team situation.

- Strong organizational skills and the ability to meet established deadlines.

- Excellent oral and/or written communication skills.