I. JOB INFORMATION

Job Title: Lab Animal Technician (CS 15)

Job Class: 71212 FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

II. JOB SUMMARY

Under general supervision performs a variety of advanced duties and tasks associated with training and supervising employees regarding safe and appropriate animal husbandry activities.

III. PRIMARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provides care for laboratory animals to include technical procedures such as animal identification, collecting biological samples, and administering medications and anesthesia according to State, Federal and University regulations.
- Performs general health evaluations of research animals, maintains accurate records and acts as a lead worker in care and husbandry duties.
- Assists in setting up quarantined and bio-containment environments or facilities.
- Maintains animal facilities and animal health in specialized areas such as breeding colonies and controlled environments.
- Administers medication to animals and collects biological samples to calculate doses and performs diagnostic techniques under the direction of supervisor.
- Assists with basic radiological procedures and with animal restraint. Develops film.

Note: This is not an inclusive list of duties and responsibilities.

IV. MINIMUM EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

A high school diploma or GED and three years (FT) of related work experience OR, two years of post-secondary education and 1.5 years of (FT) related work experience OR, a bachelor's degree in a related field and 6 months (FT) of related work experience. Direct work experience with animals in a research or clinical veterinary environment. Excellent verbal/communication skills. Considerable knowledge of applicable rules and regulations involving the husbandry of laboratory animals. Must be fully aware of the environmental requirements of typical laboratory animal species (e.g., temperature, relative humidity, illumination requirements, air flow) and be capable of monitoring conditions to provide an appropriate environment.
V. WORKING CONDITIONS

There are conditions, equipment and materials, present which require proper handling to ensure safety. Frequent walking, bending, and standing.

VI. WSU TESTING/EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED

None

VII. CERTIFICATIONS OR LICENSURE(S) REQUIRED*

Must possess a valid United States driver's license for at least one year and maintain eligibility to operate University motor vehicles. Laboratory Animal Technician certification from the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science. Registration as a veterinary technician in Ohio, or equivalent.

VIII. JOB SERIES

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This specification is intended to illustrate the level of complexity and kinds of job duties that may be assigned to positions with this classification title, and should not be interpreted to describe all the duties that may be included in a job description.