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JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE

Groundskeeper II

JOB SUMMARY

Performs moderately heavy manual work in the care and maintenance of grounds or greenhouse operations. Work involves the care and maintenance of plants, shrubs, and lawns. This classification involves more specialized work duties and receives less supervision than the Groundskeeper I class. Work is performed under supervision according to specific instructions and performance is based upon completion of assignments and results obtained. The performance evaluation is conducted through the performance evaluation system and in accordance with the University Policies & Procedures.

ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Reports to: Grounds Supervisor, Maintenance Foreperson, Lead Groundskeeper and Assistant Supervisor, Landscape

Supervises: May supervise Groundskeeper I

PRIMARY DUTIES - *May include, but not limited to the following:*

Maintains lawns by grading and raking soil, planting and watering grass, and fertilizing and mowing turf.

Maintains greenhouse operations by propagating, irrigating and fertilizing plant material.

Maintains pest control and climate control of greenhouse plants.

Trims grass around trees, posts, signs and buildings.

Cares for plants by preparing beds, planting, watering, hoeing, fertilizing, pruning and spraying.

Cuts and trims grass using small power mowers, tractors, riding mowers and edgers.

Picks up all trash and rubbish on grounds, shovels snow, and maintains appearance of assigned area.

Maintains tools, equipment, and materials used in gardening and groundskeeping.

Maintains athletic areas such as football fields and tennis courts.

Performs arborist's duties using a bucket truck for access to trees.

ADDITIONAL DUTIES

Assists in sanding ice covered roads and sidewalks during inclement weather.
Installs, maintains and repairs signs, fences, barricades, and sprinkler systems.
Performs plant decoration set-ups for functions.
Collects leaves for compost.
Performs other duties as requested.

EDUCATION

Completion of the eighth grade required. High school diploma or equivalent preferred.

EXPERIENCE

One year of grounds maintenance experience required.

REQUIREMENTS

Valid driver's license issued by the State of Texas and a safe driving record such as required to attain Driver's Authorization from the university.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES - The following are essential:

Knowledge of the practices, materials, tools and machines used in propagating, growing and caring for lawns, shrubbery, flowers and trees.
Ability and endurance to perform tasks for up to 8 hour periods.
Ability and mobility to perform tasks on all types of terrain.
Knowledge of greenhouse operations and the ability to propagate and care for greenhouse plants.
Ability to climb trees using a safety saddle and rope and use a chain saw and pole trimmer for pruning.
Ability to understand and follow simple instructions.
Ability to respond to emergency situations in a timely manner.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is occasionally required to stand, walk, sit, push; pull; reach; carry; lift; grasp; squat or stoop; bend and twist the body while performing essential duties; use hands to finger, handle or feel objects, tools or controls, reach with hands and arms, climb stairs, talk or hear. The employee must have the ability to occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by the job include ability to distinguish the nature of objects by using the eye.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

Employees are responsible for performing their duties in an environment that is free from discrimination, intimidation, coercion or harassment, including sexual harassment. The noise level in the work environment is low to moderate. Exposed to any number of elements but with none present to the extent of being disagreeable. May be required to work in conditions including cold, heat, temperature swings, noise, outdoors and indoors, in trenches, and around mechanical, electrical, explosive, fume/odor, dust/mites, chemical, and/or waste hazards. May be required to work in locations that involve hazardous environments requiring protective equipment that conforms to OSHA regulations and some physical discomfort due to temperature, dust and noise.

SAFETY

Assists in the creation of a culture of safety and environmental protection by performing work safely in accordance with departmental safety procedures. Operates equipment safely and reports any unsafe work conditions or practice to supervisor.

The job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirements of the job change.

Employee Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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