UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Position Description

TITLE: Captain, Intermediate Research Vessel/NBC

DIVISION: Academic Affairs (GSO)

REPORTS TO: Director, NBC Facilities

GRADE: 10

BASIC FUNCTION:

Operate and manage small and intermediate research vessels assigned to the Dean of GSO/Vice Provost for Marine Programs; serve as diving safety officer for the Graduate School of Oceanography.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Serve as captain of University of Rhode Island intermediate research vessels (less than 100 gross tons) as assigned.

Operate the vessel(s) in a safe, seaman-like manner while performing their educational and research missions.

Supervise on-board personnel in the safe and proper use of all equipment.

Be responsible for security of assigned vessels against normal in-port hazards.

Manage assigned intermediate and small boats and any associated personnel.

Management functions include but are not limited to: preparing annual budgets; preparing requisitions for operating and maintenance expenses associated with boats; performing or arranging routine and emergency maintenance and repairs; arranging inspections by the US Coast Guard and other authorities; initiating, responding to, and recording routine correspondence.


OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Train faculty, staff, students, and other authorized personnel in the use of boats and related equipment.
Develop, implement, and enforce policies and procedures relating to use of University intermediate and small boats.

Assist the Director, NBC Facilities in preparing budgets and carrying out other administrative duties.

Perform other duties as required.

LICENSES, TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT:

US Coast Guard Master's License for vessels of at least 100 gross tons, OR mate's license for self-propelled inspected vessels of over 200 gross tons. FCC radiotelephone operator's license.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:

This position requires 24-hour call back in cases of emergency, when required, on all shifts. This position also requires duty at sea and extreme cold and hot temperatures can be encountered in addition to the normal hazards associated with sea duty.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's degree preferred. The following are required: US Coast Guard master's license (100 GT or more) or mate's license for self-propelled inspected vessels of over 200 gross tons; at least ten years of experience in operating boats and ships; knowledge of local waters based on at least five years of experience on boats and ships along the southern New England coast; NAUI SCUBA instructor; certification in first aid and CPR; ability to use personal computer administrative tools such as word processing and spreadsheets; ability to communicate clearly, verbally and in writing; understanding of basic accounting and budgeting methods.

ALL REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO POSSIBLE MODIFICATION TO REASONABLY ACCOMMODATE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.