SHARE Technical Project Manager

As an employee of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL), the incumbent serves as project manager for an 18-month project to build the SHared Access Research Ecosystem (SHARE) Notification Service (PDF). SHARE (www.arl.org/share) is a collaborative initiative among the Association of Research Libraries, the Association of American Universities, and the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. The Technical Project Manager is a full-time position with standard ARL benefits for 18 months with the possibility of extension. This position is also eligible for telecommuting.

Areas of Major Responsibilities

Taking goals and direction from SHARE’s Technical Director, the SHARE Technical Project Manager will oversee the agile development process by a small (2–3 person) distributed team in building SHARE’s Notification Service through a series of sprints in which discrete periods of effort produce working code. The Technical Project Manager will work collaboratively but with a substantial amount of autonomy with concentration on the following tasks:

• Working with a part-time Technical Director, contribute to the selection of the development team and sprint schedule.
• In collaboration with the development team, distill development tasks into discrete 2- to 3-week sprints of work.
• Oversee the day-to-day operations of a distributed team of developers during each code sprint.
• Review the project schedule with senior management and all other staff who will be affected by the project activities, and revise the schedule as required.
• Track progress, review project tasks, and meet deadlines while ensuring deliverables are clear to the development team and to stakeholders.
• Build team cohesion and foster good communication among stakeholders and the development team.

Position Requirements

Education:
BA/BS, or equivalent knowledge or experience.

Experience:
• Demonstrated success with agile development methodologies and with supervising distributed teams, preferably on open source projects.
• A solid understanding of and demonstrated experience with using appropriate open source and agile tools such as Jira and GitHub.
• Preferred experience in publishing or scholarly communication in libraries.

Compensation

Salary is dependent upon experience. ARL offers standard benefits including sick leave, vacation, TIAA/CREF.

Applications

Screening will begin April 9, 2014, and will continue until the position is filled. Please e-mail a letter of application and résumé to share-project-manager@arl.org.

Update: Search closed as of May 20, 2014.

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