



**NORTH DAKOTA
CLASS DESCRIPTION**

ND Human Resource Management Services
Phone: (701) 328-3290

Class Code(s): 1021

VISION/HEARING OUTREACH SPECIALIST

GRADE K

SCOPE OF WORK:

Work involves coordinating and delivering evaluative, consultative, and instructional services to individuals of all ages who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, hearing impaired including persons with multiple disabilities.

DUTIES PERFORMED:

- Assess and evaluate functional vision or hearing of infants, toddlers, preschoolers, students, or adults to determine educational needs.
- Prepare comprehensive assessment reports including needs, recommendations, and appropriate vision or hearing adaptations.
- Provide instruction in specialized skills and in-service training in vision-specific areas such as Braille reading and writing, orientation and mobility, vocational/career, technology, daily living skills, and recreation/leisure; hearing communications, speech, auditory training, sign language, and best practices of deaf education.
- Consult with and provide vision and hearing-specific technical assistance and training to individuals with visual or hearing disabilities, parents and family members, educators, vocational rehabilitation personnel, optometrists and ophthalmologists, and other professionals.
- Participate in the development and implementation of vision and hearing goals and objectives for the individualized educational or program plans; participate in vision or hearing-related programming and planning.
- Review, evaluate, and recommend resources, materials, and equipment for appropriate vision or hearing-specific adaptations.
- Prepare and maintain required records and reports.
- Provide information and presentations to special interest groups and the public regarding vision or hearing related services on a local, statewide, and national basis.

NOTE: The duties listed are not intended to be all-inclusive. Duties assigned any individual employee are at the discretion of the appointing authority.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Requires a bachelor's degree in education, special education, rehabilitation, or another field related to the specific service area of the position with coursework emphasis or specialization in vision or hearing and two years of professional-level work experience providing services to persons with visual impairments, hearing loss, or other disabilities;

or a master's degree in education, special education, or rehabilitation with coursework emphasis or specialization in vision or hearing. Specific degree requirements, of those listed above will be identified by the hiring authority at the time of recruitment to fill a specific vacancy.

Eff. Date: 7/00 – Reinstatement of class originally developed in 1992 (class was redesigned and re-titled in 1995 to 1018, Vision Education Outreach Specialist)

Rev: 6/11 – Revised minimum qualifications statement

Rev: 7/12 – Conversion to Hay System

Rev: 8/12 - Revised scope of work, duties, level definitions, and minimum qualifications to include populations with hearing disabilities, JEC reviewed and assigned same factor evaluation as Vision Rehab Specialist II CL 4226.