

# CLASS TITLE: IT Director – Digital Experience & Design

## **CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS**

The Director of Digital Experience & Design is responsible for collaboratively defining, creating, and evolving the City's user experience throughout the digital and mobile ecosystem. Reporting directly to the Chief Technology Officer, this senior position will play a critical role in creating intuitive and engaging experiences for Chicago residents, businesses, and visitors while serving as a digital thought leader and evangelist, developing processes, tools, and libraries to support ongoing experience development.

## **ESSENTIAL DUTIES**

In this role, the Director will work with project managers, developers, and business leadership to understand business goals, generate user insights, and translate business and user needs into highly engaging digital experiences. This is an opportunity to make a significant impact on government digital services accessed via millions of online visits and interactions, from a wide variety of employee and public audiences.

Duties may include:

- Define and lead the implementation of the City's User Experience (UX) practices, and establish partnerships with other IT and City teams to encourage and facilitate adoption across the enterprise
- Establish, document, and communicate design standards that embody organizational values
- Create, or direct the creation of, user-centric journey maps, navigation flows, wireframes, application prototypes and similar design artifacts that are used to build successful digital tools
- Ensure that user-centric UX designs and interactions are implemented in the City's digital tools and products and that users achieve their goals
- Drive continuous improvement through data analytics, experience research, testing and prototyping, as well as analysis of user behavior, online traffic, and business results
- Monitor emerging trends and technologies and update the City's digital experience design practices and tools as capabilities and user behaviors change over time
- Engage with City Departments, community stakeholders, community-based organizations, and vendor partners to evangelize and promote excellence in digital experience and design
- Deliver projects and project components on-time and on-budget
- **NOTE**: The list of essential duties is not intended to be inclusive; there may be other duties that are essential to particular positions within the class.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

#### Education, Training, and Experience

• Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Design, Human Factors, Human-Computer Interaction, Information Technology, Computer Science or similar degree or a directly related field, plus three years of experience in web design and development with a portfolio of web and/or mobile applications and demonstrated experience with user-

centered design and digital product development processes, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience.

#### Licensure, Certification, or Other Qualifications

 Applicable professional licenses or certifications relative to the specific responsibilities of the position <u>are</u> appreciated.

Hands-on knowledge of and experience with Adobe Creative Cloud software products, wire framing and rapid prototyping tools.

Hands-on knowledge of and experience with HTML, CSS, and JavaScript

# NOTE: To be considered for this position, you must provide a cover letter and resume detailing your work experience and your educational background. You must include job titles, dates of employment, and specific job duties. Please email this information to <u>doithr@cityofchicago.org</u>

NOTE: A background investigation will be completed on the candidate selected for this position.

#### Annual salary: \$128,112.00

**Residency Requirement:** All employees of the City of Chicago must be actual residents of the City of Chicago as outlined in 2-152-050 of the City of Chicago Municipal Code. Proof of residency will be required.

If you would like to request a reasonable accommodation due to disability or pregnancy in order to participate in the application process, please contact the City of Chicago, Department of Human Resources, at 312-744-4976 or <u>disabilityaccommodations@cityofchicago.org</u>. Please be prepared to provide information in support of your reasonable accommodation request.

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