# HIGHSCOPE. JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION:	Publications Editor
GROUP:	Publications
SUPERVISOR:	Editorial Director of Publications
JOB STATUS:	Exempt (Professional), Salaried; Full Benefits
HOURS/FTE:	Full-time; 100% FTE

#### SUMMARY DESCRIPTION:

Under the general supervision of the Editorial Director, the Publications editor is responsible for preparing, rewriting, editing, and proofreading copy for all print and digital/online materials, including books, magazines, proposals, research reports, training materials, and marketing and development content. The Publications Editor is also responsible for following projects/products through the design, production, and publication process

#### **ESSENTIAL JOB RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES:**

- 1. Prepare products for publication by writing, rewriting, copy-editing, and proofreading copy to ensure that all materials conform to HighScope standards in terms of content accuracy and quality, spelling, punctuation, grammar, and syntax.
- 2. Assist authors in the development, organization, formatting, and writing of manuscripts and other materials.
- 3. Assure the timely completion of copy to meet deadlines.
- 4. Work with designers and printers throughout the publication process.
- 5. Perform writing tasks as assigned, including promotional copy and product descriptions for the online store.
- 6. Assist other editors with proofreading and other editorial and production tasks.
- 7. Assist in maintaining, updating, and revising/reviewing the HighScope website as needed.
- 8. Provide editorial support to Marketing department by editing/proofreading brochures, email blasts, ads, product promotions, and other materials.
- 9. Assist other departments with writing, editing, and proofreading.

#### NON-ESSENTIAL JOB RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES

- 10. Attend annual HighScope International Conference.
- 11. Attend various training seminars as needed
- 12. Perform other duties as assigned.

### PREFERRED JOB QUALIFICATIONS:

Education/Experience:

- Minimum of bachelor's degree or equivalent in journalism, English, publishing and/or related field
- Minimum 2 years of experience in book (preferred), magazine, or newspaper publishing.
- Some education background/experience and knowledge of Spanish preferred

## Knowledge, Skills, Abilities:

- Familiar with publishing procedures for books and other media
- Interpersonal (social) skills: ability to work independently; take initiative; work collaboratively; get along well with others
- General knowledge of early childhood education; knowledge and understanding of HighScope philosophy, curriculum, and educational approach
- Communication; extensive copyediting and substantive editing skills, writing ability demonstrated by published works
- Effective work habits: self-motivated with ability to prioritize work, meet deadlines, handle multiple projects, work under pressure and complete tasks
- Organization: project and time management skills; attention to detail
- Computer skills: internet and email (Outlook), Microsoft Office (Word), knowledge of office technologies, familiarity with desktop publishing and graphic arts programs.
- Ability to use discretion and independent judgment

Other Qualifications/Requirements (i.e. Licenses/Certifications, Travel, Lifting, etc.):

- Physical actions performed frequently: typing, sitting, reading. Some standing, walking, conversing, using the phone, hearing, stairs
- May be required to attend HighScope teacher training and international conference sessions and events.
- Normal office environment

Approved/Reviewed by:

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Director/Supervisor	Date:
Human Resources	Date:
Employee	Date:

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