



Transforming Science Education through Research-Driven Innovation

Job Announcement Project Coordinator I Needed for Colorado Springsbased Science Education Non-profit

General Description

BSCS Science Learning is currently seeking a full-time Project Coordinator. This is a hybrid position requiring a minimum of three days per week in the Colorado Springs office and two days working remote.

BSCS is an independent nonprofit dedicated to transforming science education through research-driven innovation. Founded in 1958, BSCS has brought the experience of inquiry learning to millions of students and teachers across the US and around the world. Today, BSCS conducts research on how to improve science teaching and learning, creates instructional materials, provides professional learning programs for teachers, and spearheads leadership development programs for schools and districts. Underlying all this work is our commitment to providing all young people with equitable, inclusive, and just science learning opportunities.

Project Coordinators are integral members of the team and directly contribute to the BSCS mission through a range of administrative, logistical, and communications support. Their primary responsibilities fall into two major categories: Project Work and Organizational Responsibilities. Specific duties include coordinating schedules, organizing events and meetings, ordering and preparing materials, collecting and assimilating information, monitoring timelines, preparing reports, and interacting with external partners and agencies.

A successful applicant will have the following characteristics: self-starter, confident problem solver and critical thinker, ability to work independently and collaboratively across multiple projects or events, highly professional, detail-oriented and organized, and a clear and effective communicator. The ideal candidate will share BSCS's passion for transforming science education and will be willing to champion a range of responsibilities to help the organization fulfill its mission.

The Project Coordinator position operates under minimal supervision and reports to a manager-level member of the team. Successful candidates will likely have five years of experience in administrative or project support positions. However, quality of experience will rate more highly than the quantity of years worked.

Responsibilities and specific duties include but are not limited to:

- Communication
 - $\circ\quad$ Serve as internal liaison within project teams and across the organization.
 - Coordinate with project leads on overall goals, timelines, and action items.
 - Coordinate with external project partners, vendors, teachers, and education leaders.
- Planning and Execution of Meetings and Events
 - Schedule internal and external meetings/events between project teams and partners, including teachers, university faculty, and researchers.
 - Spearhead logistics related to agenda development, travel and meeting arrangements, binder/handout preparation, tracking event expenses/budgets.



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- Data and Project Management
 - Develop and maintain project timelines for tasks supporting project work.
 - Collect and assimilate information to monitor project deliverables and deadlines.
 - Maintain databases to streamline data collection, analysis, and reporting including tracking of expenses, deliverables, and participant data.
 - Keep accurate, complete, and well-organized records to assist in the development of reports.
 - Maintain inventory of project data or supplies.
- Production of Project Materials
 - o Prepare slides, binders, handouts, and hands-on materials.
 - Purchase, pack, and mail materials.
 - Assist in the production of instructional materials and project deliverables.

Knowledge and Skills

The Project Coordinator must have relevant, appropriate experience for the position. The ideal candidate will have experience in the following areas:

- Communication skills both written and verbal
- Detail oriented
- Software and app-based proficiency in a variety of software platforms
 - Microsoft Office (Outlook, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint)
 - Adobe Acrobat
 - SurveyMonkey
 - Google Sheets, Docs, Forms, and Slides
 - Slack or other messaging software
- Basic copyediting
- Interest in learning new technologies, software platforms, and applications.

BSCS Commitment to Social and Environmental Justice

BSCS is committed to advancing science learning that is inclusive, meaningful, and advances the work of social and environmental justice. To learn more, visit https://bscs.org/our-work/equity-social-justice/

BSCS Science Learning is committed to the recruitment of a diverse staff so that we can bring the broadest possible range of perspectives to our mission of improving science teaching and learning for a diverse audience. We are an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, sex, color, religion, national origin, disability (physical and/or mental), sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, veteran status, military obligations, marital status, pregnancy, genetic information, or any status protected by federal, state, or local law.

Additional Information

The starting pay range for this position is \$17.79 - \$20.19 per hour, depending on experience and qualifications.





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BSCS as a Workplace

BSCS offers competitive compensation and a generous package of benefits, as well as a flexible and inclusive work environment, with a strong commitment to the professional growth of all staff. Our benefits for full-time staff include 30 days a year of paid time off, medical, dental, life and long-term disability insurance, and a generous retirement plan.

As a nonprofit research and development organization, BSCS's work is funded through a combination of government and foundation grants, service contracts from school districts and other education-focused institutions, licensing revenue, and charitable donations.

BSCS's offices are in Colorado Springs, ranked #3 in *US News & World Report's* 2024 Best Places to Live. Located along the Front Range of the Rockies one hour south of Denver, Colorado Springs is known for a mild climate, a vibrant arts community, and year-round outdoor recreation.

For additional information about BSCS and our work, prospective applicants are encouraged to review the BSCS web site (www.bscs.org).

To Apply:

Applicants should send a letter of interest and a detailed résumé to <u>careers@bscs.org</u>. Please put "Project Coordinator I" in the subject line.

We will begin reviewing complete applications on January 31, 2025 and will continue accepting applications until the position is filled.