

Careers at RFCUNY Job Openings

Job Title Chief Academic Al Officer

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Category Managerial and Professional

Location OFFICE OF SR. UNIV DEAN FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Department Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor

Status Full Time

Annual Salary \$160,000.00 - \$200,000.00

Hour(s) a Week 35

Closing Date Nov 27, 2024 (Or Until Filled)

General Description

The Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost oversees all academic policies governing the University's 25 institutions offering 2844 academic programs, including 325 associates degrees, 1310 bachelor's degrees, 797 master's degrees, 95 certificates, 360 advanced certificates, and 71 doctoral degrees. In a single integrated system, the Office is responsible for the strategic leadership, development and implementation of University-wide initiatives aimed at raising academic quality, improving student success, and providing New Yorkers with equal access to quality education.

The Chief Academic Al Officer (CAAIO) at the City University of New York (CUNY) is a newly created position within the Office of Academic Affairs (OAA). The position will report to the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Innovation and will be a member of the Executive Vice Chancellor's Executive Cabinet. The CAAIO will regularly lead teams of indirect reports.

The CAAlO will provide strategic leadership and oversight for integrating artificial intelligence (Al) across the OAA's operations, initiatives, and community engagement. The CAAlO will ensure Al innovations align with the University's vision, objectives, and ethical guidelines while mitigating risks, maintaining transparency, ensuring compliance with University policies, relevant regulations, data privacy laws, and industry standards, and driving positive societal impact.

The CAAlO will be a key strategic leader, driving the OAA's Al transformation, fostering innovation, promoting community impact, and ensuring the responsible and ethical adoption of Al technologies to enhance the educational experience, research capabilities, and societal impact, including the potential commercialization of university-developed Al solutions. Other key duties include, but will not be limited to the following:

- Develop and execute a comprehensive Al strategy aligning with the university's goals, identifying areas
 where Al can drive innovation, enhance student success, support faculty and research, maintain
 competitive advantage, and create societal value.
- Foster a culture of responsible Al adoption and transform organizational mindsets.
- Identify opportunities to leverage the University's Al capabilities to address community (CUNY, NYC, and New York State) needs, promote digital inclusion, and drive positive social change.

- Serve as a strategic thought partner with academic departments, collaborating to integrate Al and emerging technologies into curriculum development and enhancing educational innovation across the university system.
- Establish partnerships and collaborations with local organizations, nonprofits, and government agencies to implement Al solutions for societal benefit.
- Promote public understanding and awareness of Al technologies through educational initiatives and community engagement programs.
- Explore avenues for commercializing and monetizing the university's Al research and innovations.
- Foster industry partnerships and collaborations to translate academic Al research into practical applications and revenue-generating products or services.
- Establish frameworks, protocols, and best practices for the ethical, responsible, unbiased, and trustworthy use of Al technologies in education and community applications.

Other Duties

- Ensure compliance with relevant regulations, data privacy laws, and industry standards.
- Strengthen accountability mechanisms and address issues related to Al systems.
- Collaborate with academic departments, IT, administration, and stakeholders to conceptualize, plan, and implement Al initiatives across various areas such as personalized learning, student success, research, enrollment management, and data-driven decision-making.
- Lead cross-functional Al project teams from ideation to execution.
- Identify and foster partnerships for Al research, innovation, and adoption.
- Stay abreast of the latest Al trends, technologies, and research to drive continuous learning and innovation.
- Represent the university as an Al thought leader, engaging with industry events, academic partnerships, and external stakeholders.

Qualifications

MINIMUM:

- Master's or Ph.D. in Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, or a related field.
- In-depth knowledge of Al technologies, machine learning algorithms, and data privacy regulations.
- Exceptional leadership, collaboration, communication, and stakeholder engagement skills.
- Strong business acumen and ability to align Al capabilities with organizational strategies and revenue generation opportunities.
- Minimum of 7 years of professional experience in Al or related field, with at least 3 years in a leadership role.

PREFERRED:

• Proven track record of successful Al solution design and implementation, preferably in education, community development, or related sectors.

- Successful history of securing Al-related research funding.
- Experience developing and implementing Al policy to guide institutional behavior
- Experience in change management and/or project management.

Please include a resume and cover letter with your submission.