

Computer Security Division Chief Sought

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY, Information Technology Laboratory, Computer Security Division, Gaithersburg, MD, Supervisory Computer Scientist, ZP-1550-V or Supervisory Mathematician ZP-1520-V

The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Information Technology Laboratory (ITL) is seeking a highly qualified individual for the position of Division Chief for the Computer Security Division (CSD). The Division Chief provides executive direction for the scientific and technical activities of CSD and is responsible for administrative, financial and personnel management. The Division consists of approximately 62 Full-time Equivalents and 18 NIST Associates (domestic/foreign guest researchers, contractors, etc.) and a 2005 budget of \$27M.

The Computer Security Division of ITL has a long-standing role in leading the non-military establishments in cyber security by working effectively with industry, academia and federal agencies on IT system security and vulnerabilities, and promoting effective computer security practices. Congressional passage of the Cyber Security Research and Development Act (CSRDA) of 2002 and the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) of 2002 reinforces NIST's long-standing statutory responsibilities for developing cyber-security standards and guidelines and researching associated methods and techniques.

The Division Chief will be responsible for developing an Operational Plan in alignment with the strategic and operational goals of the Laboratory and NIST. He/she will review and assure the quality and productivity of the Division and the relevance of its programs to ITL and NIST missions and national goals. The Division Chief also has administrative responsibilities for the mandated Information System Security and Privacy Advisory Board, which has the mission of identifying emerging technical issues related to computer security, privacy, and cryptography. The Division Chief serves as a consultant and advisor on important issues and problems in computer security technology for Federal agencies, academia, and industry. The Division Chief is also responsible for developing and periodically presenting congressional testimony on computer security related topics. The Chief may be called upon to represent the Laboratory and the Institute at technical meetings; on government policy-level committees and boards of scientific, technical, and standards organizations; and in developing policy for interagency/international memoranda of understanding.

The computer security program requires a particular competency to lead change that impacts the entire Federal infrastructure and strongly influences U.S. industry, as well. Strong technical credentials with extensive expertise in working with the Federal Government are preferred.

Applicants may qualify based upon one year of specialized experience equivalent to at least the GS-14 (ZP-IV at NIST) in the computer security field, including network security, Information Technology (IT) policy/practices, cryptography, validation programs, public key infrastructure (PKI), personal identification verification (PIV) and cyber security. Appointment is at the ZP-V level (equivalent to GS-15); salary range \$103,947 - \$135,136 (plus potential 6% supervisory differential).

For further information and to apply for this position visit the website www.usajobs.opm.gov. The vacancy numbers associated with this position are ITL.2005.0014, ITL.2005.0015, ITL.2005.0016 and ITL.2005.0017.

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