General Description
Develops, implements, and manages a comprehensive animal care program to facilitate campus research initiatives while protecting faculty, staff, students, and visitors from the adverse effects of research involving animals. This is the highest officer level within the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) Compliance series. Duties are performed under minimal supervision.

Examples of Duties
- Reviews and assesses research proposals involving the use of animals, laboratory operations and facilities, and the construction or renovation plans for all aspects of animal care and use.
- Assures the appropriate health and safety controls, and compliance with the corresponding authorities.
- Provides feedback and assists the Principal Investigators in research involving animals.
- Identifies and evaluates occupational exposures, recommends controls to eliminate and/or minimize health risks in animal housing and related facilities.
- Provides technical expertise to animal users, faculty researchers, the IACUC and other committees and programs as needed.
- Maintains a direct oversight of IACUC protocols and the post-approval monitoring of IACUC approved animal research protocols in accordance with United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) regulations.
- Ensures compliance with federal, local, and University policies, procedures, and regulations associated with animal research.
- Responds, evaluates, and reports laboratory and research facility emergencies.
- Develops and presents regulatory and safety training and educational programs.
- Manages and directs all aspects of the IACUC and the Controlled Substance Disposal Program.
- Supervises the assigned office staff and other personnel as needed.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities
- Knowledge of applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, codes, and guidelines related to research involving animals.
- Proficiency with word processing, spreadsheets, and database software.
- Ability to work under pressure and handle stressful situations.
- Ability to supervise others and organize schedules effectively.
- Ability to multi-task in a deadline driven environment.
- Ability to communicate effectively verbally and in writing.

Minimum GSU Hiring Standards
Master’s degree in Anthropology, Psychology, Biology, or a related field and five years of related experience. Laboratory Animal Training Association (LATA) training required. Must be able to wear and use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Experience working in an academic setting preferred.

The above is a general description of duties performed by employees holding this job title and does not represent a complete list of duties that may be assigned to an employee.