

Jurisdiction: Oneida County  
Jurisdictional Class: Competitive  
Adopted: 5/1/96

## **FREELANCE CAMERA OPERATOR**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This position exists in a BOCES, and has responsibility for Electronic News Gathering/Electronic Field Production (ENG/EFP) videotaping of school-related informational video programs, including B-roll and interviews. The Freelance Camera Operator also handles all sound and lighting responsibilities, as well as, working with clients. Work is performed under the direct supervision of the Information Officer, with leeway allowed in carrying out the details of the work. Supervision is not a responsibility of this class. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:** (Illustrative Only)

Sets up lighting;  
Sets up sound equipment;  
Operates camera, both hand-held and on tripod;  
Transports equipment to and from shooting locations.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL**

**CHARACTERISTICS:** Good knowledge of the operations of Beta or other high-quality format cameras, both hand-held and on tripod; good knowledge of the use of microphones; good knowledge of three-point lighting in interview situations; good knowledge of videotaping practices for documentaries and other industrial-quality productions; ability to work well with others and develop good customer relations; ability to work on a freelance basis.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Either:

- (A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in radio and television, broadcast journalism, video production or a closely related field **AND** one (1) year of professional videotaping experience; **OR**
- (B) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State college or university with an Associate's Degree, as described in (A) above, **AND** three (3) years of experience, as outlined in (A) above; **OR**
- (C) Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma **AND** five (5) years of experience, as outlined in (A) above; **OR**
- (D) An equivalent combination of training and experience, as defined by the limits of (A) through (C) above.

**NOTE:** Verifiable part-time experience will be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements.