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The three jobs in the Higher education area are:

1. Technology Integration Specialist at Central Community College, in Grand Island, Nebraska;
2. Director of Learning, Research and Technology at Smith College in Northampton, MA;
3. Director of Online Learning and Educational Technology at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, CA.

Technology Integration Specialist position at Central Community College, in Grand Island, Nebraska requires expertise in using technology for enhancing learning and teaching. It stresses the importance of the interpersonal and communication skills and experience in developing training materials. This position requires at least Master's degree and 3-5 years of experience (<https://iste-jobs.careerwebsite.com/job/technology-integration-specialist/42283116/>).

A successful candidate for the position of the Director of Learning, Research and Technology at Smith College in Northampton, MA needs to have a Master's degree in education or a related field and 7-10 years of experience of the relevant line of work. Key requirements include prior leadership experience, solid understanding of liberal arts discipline and emerging technological advances and pedagogical strategies. Requires skills consist of strong analytical and problem-solving abilities, strategic thinking at the systems and group levels and continues learning in a rapidly changing environment

(<https://www.indeed.com/viewjob?jk=9756b6e3d9eae92e&tk=1cjmjlnk4210d1i&from=serp&vjs=3>).

The advertisement for the Director of Online Learning and Educational Technology at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, CA states the requirements of the Master's or Doctoral degree in Instructional Design and Technology or equivalent area and five or more years in a leadership position of a higher education online program. The preferred qualifications include regular 8am to 5pm work hour schedule and overtime, including weekends and holidays (<https://www.indeed.com/viewjob?jk=88ec13d31345726d&tk=1cjmpvo6jafhmf5j&from=serp&vjs=3>).

The three jobs in K-12 sector are:

1. Director of Educational Technology and Innovation at Plum borough school district in Pittsburgh, PA;
2. Head of Educational Programs and Services at private school - Halstrom Academy in Cupertino, CA
3. Executive Director of STEM at New York City Department of Education in New York City, NY

A successful candidate for the position of the Director of Educational Technology and Innovation at Plum borough school district in Pittsburgh, PA should meet the following minimum qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Instructional technology or related area and five years in Information Technology. Preferably, such candidate should have Master's degree in Computer Science or related area and seven years of experience Information Technology in K-12 or higher education. Additionally, a successful candidate should possess strong analytical and problem-solving skills, proven track record of leadership experience and ability to learn new technologies and implement innovative methodologies

(<https://www.indeed.com/cmp/PLUM-BOROUGH-SCHOOL-DISTRICT/jobs/Director-Educational-Technology-Innovation-7cc583e0670bbac1?q=Educational+Technology&vjs=3>).

The job opening for the Head of Educational Programs and Services at private school - Halstrom Academy - in Cupertino, CA lists a requirement of Bachelor's in education or content area and a preference of Master's Degree in education or related field. It stresses the importance of prior leadership and curriculum development experience, including the working knowledge of the current research on assessment, instruction and curriculum development. A minimum of three years of experience in multiple disciplines in grades 6-12 is required along with strong problem-solving and critical thinking skills

<https://www.indeed.com/viewjob?jk=a59bb82c270ef1f4&q=Educational+Technology+leadership&tk=1cjin10g2k41179sq&from=web&vjs=3>).

A position of the Executive Director of STEM at New York City Department of Education in New York City, NY requires a valid New York State Certification as a School District Administrator (SDA) or School District Leader (SDL). In addition, it requires strong leadership skills, knowledge of instructional development, educational policies and practices. Ability to work well under pressure and navigate rapidly changing environment, in addition to solid communication, organization and influential skills are preferred qualifications

<https://www.indeed.com/viewjob?jk=7f129d8d43916509&tk=1cjin5nbjjaet7ak8&from=serp&vjs=3>).

The three jobs in the industry are:

1. Manager of Distance Learning & Educational Services at West Virginia Network (WVNET) in Morgantown, WV 26505;
2. Instructional Technology Coach/Education Technology Consultant at Educate LLC in New York, NY;
3. 2019 Congressional Innovation fellows program at TechCongress, Washington, DC

All listed position stress the importance of strong leadership and solid understanding of instructional design and development. Just as valuable are problem-solving and critical thinking skills and ability to succeed in rapidly changing, technology-driven environment. My dream job would include a leadership component, and by enrolling in this program, I am preparing for it. I am well familiar with the structure of the academic area of a college, and I can greatly benefit from gaining a good understanding of the student services area. Currently, it is one of my limitations. I believe that getting a mentor and establishing more professional relationships from Student services area may help me in turning limitations into advantages.