

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Senior Management Accountant	Grade:	SG8
Department:	Finance Directorate	Date of Job Evaluation:	
Role reports to:	Assistant Director of Finance (Management Information)		
Direct Reports	None		
Indirect Reports:	Liaison with members of the Management Accounts Team		
Other Key contacts:	Budget holders / Faculty Operating Officers and other senior management throughout the University. Director of Finance and Assistant Director of Finance (Operations). University partner institutions.		
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PURPOSE OF ROLE:

You will be a key contact for the Faculty and/or Directorate senior management team, providing a wide range of management information and advice. You will play a substantial role in corporate level budgeting / forecasting, and management reporting for the University and its subsidiaries. You will also be required to represent the Finance Directorate on committees / working groups.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES:

Leadership and Management:

- Providing information advice and support to Faculty Operating Officers, Heads of Department, Heads of Directorates & Financial Managers to enable them to plan and manage the financial affairs of Faculties and Directorates.
- Representing the Finance Directorate on working and project groups.

Operational:

- Faculties\Directorates: business partner; financial information and advice to enable objectives to be achieved; revenue forecasting; development of financial plans and budgets; progress against plans and forecast outturns; link between strategy and resourcing; staffing requirements and financial sustainability of new and replacement posts; capital expenditure planning; cost\benefit analyses; course and programme costing; financial training to relevant faculty and directorate staff.
- Corporate level (analysis): financial analysis; financial sustainability of business units; financial forecasting; financial benchmarking; financial appraisals.



- Corporate level (planning and control); budget development; progress against plan and forecast outturns; salary forecasting; cash forecasting; financial forecasting; balance sheet management.
- Corporate level (management reporting); management accounts for University and subsidiaries; related analysis and information for Executive and Court Committees; other management reports.
- Corporate level (statutory accounts); information, schedules and analytical reviews to support the preparation of the statutory accounts of the University and its subsidiaries.
- Supporting the Assistant Director of Finance in achieving the objectives of the
 management accounting team; financial analysis; improving quality of outputs;
 adapting to changed requirements; improvement to financial models and work
 processes; enhancement to reporting platforms (Business Objects); maintain currency
 of financial procedural manual (vis-à-vis management information policy and
 procedures).
- Other activities consistent with the varied and developing demands of the role.

Technical:

- Ensuring that advice to Faculties\Directorates is consistent with corporate objectives and University strategy.
- Application of professional judgement giving advice and information to Faculties and Directorates, and in assessing the outcomes of their financial plans.
- Compliance with applicable accounting standards and statutory requirements.

Core Requirements

- Adhere to and promote the University's Equality and Diversity policies
- Ensure compliance with Health & Safety regulations
- Support and promote the University's Sustainability policies, including the Carbon Management Plan, and carry out duties in a resource efficient way, recognising the shared responsibility of minimising the university's negative environmental impacts wherever possible.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

- Timely response to budget holder / senior management requests / queries
- Successful completion of responsibilities and tasks assigned meeting quality and timeliness expectations

KEY RELATIONSHIPS (Internal & External):

- Faculty Operating Officers, Heads of Directorates, other senior management and budget holders within the University
- University of Kent Finance Office (re Medway School of Pharmacy)



PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential

Experience

• Proven financial and\or management accounting experience

Skills

- Excellent knowledge of financial and management accounting frameworks.
- Good IT proficiency, with emphasis on data sourcing and analysis.
- Excellent analytical skills.
- Excellent oral\written communication skills including report writing.
- Liaison and networking skills.
- Efficient and organised approach
- Good initiative and problem solving skills
- Ability to meet deadlines
- A customer oriented approach

Qualifications

CCAB qualified accountant

Personal attributes

 We are looking for people who can help us deliver the <u>values</u> of the University of Greenwich: Excellence, Determination, Inclusivity, Ambition and Creativity

Desirable Experience

Proven UK HE financial and\or management accounting experience

Skills

 Knowledge of UK HE finance and regulatory framework.

Qualifications

 Honours degree from recognised UK University