Role Description **Product Manager, Digital Integration**



Cluster	Customer Service
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Division/ Branch/Unit	Information Technology Directorate/Digital Operations/Digital Integration
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Agency overview

The NSW Department of Education serves the community by providing world-class education for students of all ages.

We ensure young children get the best start in life by supporting and regulating the early childhood education sector. We are the largest provider of public education in Australia with responsibility for delivering high-quality public education to two-thirds of the NSW student population. We are committed to fostering vibrant, sustainable and high-performing vocational and higher education sectors.

We are responsible for enacting NSW Government policy, driving improvement in education, and overseeing policy, funding and compliance issues relating to non-government schools. We respect and value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as First Peoples of Australia.

Primary purpose of the role

The Product Manager Digital Integration leads a team in the development and delivery of effective digital Integration products and strategies providing advice and guidance to enhance the team capabilities in delivering improved standards and solutions to optimise business and customer outcomes for the Organisation.

Key accountabilities

- Lead, motivate and manage a team in the development, delivery and implementation of effective digital
 products, systems, solutions and services such as APIs, applications and tools to support a consistent
 approach to service delivery
- Lead engagement and collaboration with business partners and stakeholders, to understand priorities and issues to consult, negotiate and influence outcomes to optimise effective digital products, systems, solutions and services
- Develop and implement strategies for the capture and sharing of data to inform policy, service delivery and content strategies, and to evaluate the effectiveness of digital products



- Maintain a strategic understanding of Organisational priorities and challenges and lead the translation of them into effective digital product strategies and standards
- Provide strategic advice and guidance on all aspects of digital integration including data governance, data standards and industry best practices
- Stay abreast of government obligations, providing advice on emerging issues risks and opportunities impacting digital products, systems, solutions and services to inform decision making
- Develop and maintain collaborate working relationships with specialist expertise across the Organisation to ensure that best practice is applied and that clients receive a seamless and integrated service

Key challenges

- Maintaining momentum on long-term strategic projects while continuing to respond to daily priorities ensuring the team is agile, responsive and resilient in a changing environment with competing demands
- Making sound decisions and exercising good judgement in the absence of complete information whilst staying abreast of issues and other factors likely to impact the way the organisation communicates digitally
- Balancing short and long-term priorities to engage in opportunities to leverage new technologies and improve digital products, systems and processes to optimise outcomes ensuring trust and commitment is maintained with partner agencies

Key relationships

Who	Why
Internal	
Manager	 Escalate issues, keep informed, advise, receive guidance and instructions Provide recommendations and inform through reporting any sensitive and emerging issues Participate in meetings and discussions to share information and provide input and feedback
Work Team	 Support team members and work collaboratively to contribute to achieving the team's business outcomes Participate in discussions and decisions regarding resolution of issues and implementation of innovation and best practice Represent work group perspective and share information Review work and proposals of team members
Direct Reports	 Guide, support, coach, mentor and manage performance Review work and proposals to ensure integrity and accountability of decision making Provide own perspective and share information Work collaboratively with, inspire and motivate
Internal Customer/	Provide a client-focused approach to service delivery



Who	Why
Stakeholders	 Manage the flow of information, seek clarification and provide advice and responses to ensure prompt resolution of issues Articulate the needs and requirements of the service and collaborate with to negotiate solutions, provide expert advice and regular updates. Address/respond to queries to provide advice where possible, or redirect to relevant party for review and resolution
External	
External Customers/ Stakeholders	 Respond and resolve queries, providing information and/or resources or redirect to the appropriate person or business unit if required Develop and maintain effective working relationships and open channels of communication to provide and obtain information, and ensure effective management and implementation of expectations and standards Engage with, consult, seek clarification and provide advice and responses to ensure the prompt resolution of issues.
Vendors/Service Providers	 Negotiate and approve contracts and service agreements Monitor provision of service to ensure compliance with contracts and service arrangements Contact to provide and gather information and resolve routine issues. Manage contracts, including communications and business requests to ensure contract compliance.
Industry professionals/ consultants	 Collaborate with and seek/maintain specialist knowledge/advice Participate in forums, groups to represent the agency and share information Participate in discussions regarding innovation and best practice
Other Government Agencies	 Participate in meetings and represent Customer Service perspective Provide and share information, discuss and seek input on matters or issues

Role dimensions

Decision making

This role has autonomy and makes decisions that are under their direct control as directed by their Executive. It refers to the Executive decisions that require significant change to program outcomes or timeframes or are likely to escalate. This role is fully accountable for the delivery of work assignments on time and to expectations in terms of quality, deliverables and outcomes. This role submits reports, business cases and other forms of written advice with minimal input from the Director.

Reporting line

Director, Digital Integration

Direct reports

Up to 15



Budget/Expenditure

As per department delegations

Key knowledge and experience

 Knowledge of and commitment to implementing the Department's <u>Aboriginal Education Policy</u> and upholding the <u>Department's Partnership Agreement with the NSW AECG</u> and to ensure quality outcomes for Aboriginal people.

Essential requirements

- Appropriate qualifications and/or relevant industry experience.
- Extensive experience in digital integration, APIs, and system interoperability.
- Proven experience in managing the development of integration products and capabilities in large enterprise environments.

Capabilities for the role

The <u>NSW public sector capability framework</u> describes the capabilities (knowledge, skills and abilities) needed to perform a role. There are four main groups of capabilities: personal attributes, relationships, results and business enablers, with a fifth people management group of capabilities for roles with managerial responsibilities. These groups, combined with capabilities drawn from occupation-specific capability sets where relevant, work together to provide an understanding of the capabilities needed for the role.

The capabilities are separated into focus capabilities and complementary capabilities

Focus capabilities

Focus capabilities are the capabilities considered the most important for effective performance of the role. These capabilities will be assessed at recruitment.

The focus capabilities for this role are shown below with a brief explanation of what each capability covers and the indicators describing the types of behaviours expected at each level.

Focus capabilities

Capability group/sets	Capability name	Behavioural indicators	Level
Personal Attributes	Display Resilience and Courage Be open and honest, prepared to express your views, and willing to accept and commit to change	 Be flexible, show initiative and respond quickly when situations change Give frank and honest feedback and advice Listen when ideas are challenged, seek to understand the nature of the comment and respond appropriately Raise and work through challenging issues and seek alternatives Remain composed and calm under pressure and in challenging situations 	Adept





Communicate Effectively

Communicate clearly, actively listen to others, and respond with understanding and respect

- Present with credibility, engage diverse audiences and test levels of understanding
- Translate technical and complex information clearly and concisely for diverse audiences
- Create opportunities for others to contribute to discussion and debate
- Contribute to and promote information sharing across the organisation
- Manage complex communications that involve understanding and responding to multiple and divergent viewpoints
- Explore creative ways to engage diverse audiences and communicate information
- Adjust style and approach to optimise outcomes
- Write fluently and persuasively in plain English and in a range of styles and formats



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Commit to Customer Service

Provide customer-focused services in line with public sector and organisational objectives

- Take responsibility for delivering high-quality customer-focused services
- Design processes and policies based on the customer's point of view and needs
- Understand and measure what is important to customers
- Use data and information to monitor and improve customer service delivery
- Find opportunities to cooperate with internal and external stakeholders to improve outcomes for customers
- Maintain relationships with key customers in area of expertise
- Connect and collaborate with relevant customers within the community





Plan and Prioritise

Plan to achieve priority outcomes and respond flexibly to changing circumstances Understand the links between the business unit, organisation and the whole-of-government agenda

 Ensure business plan goals are clear and appropriate and include contingency provisions

- Monitor the progress of initiatives and make necessary adjustments
- Anticipate and assess the impact of changes, including government policy and economic conditions, on business plans and initiatives and respond appropriately
- Consider the implications of a wide range of complex issues and shift business priorities when necessary
- Undertake planning to help the organisation transition through change initiatives, and evaluate progress and outcomes to inform future planning

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Think and Solve Problems

Think, analyse and consider the broader context to develop practical solutions

- Undertake objective, critical analysis to draw accurate conclusions that recognise and manage contextual issues
- Work through issues, weigh up alternatives and identify the most effective solutions in collaboration with others
- Take account of the wider business context when considering options to resolve issues
- Explore a range of possibilities and creative alternatives to contribute to system, process and business improvements
- Implement systems and processes that are underpinned by high-quality research and analysis
- Look for opportunities to design innovative solutions to meet user needs and service demands
- Evaluate the performance and effectiveness of services, policies and programs against clear criteria





Technology

Understand and use available technologies to maximise efficiencies and effectiveness

- Champion the use of innovative technologies in Advanced the workplace
- Actively manage risk to ensure compliance with cyber security and acceptable use of technology policies
- Keep up to date with emerging technologies and technology trends to understand how their application can support business outcomes
- Seek advice from appropriate subject-matter experts on using technologies to achieve business strategies and outcomes
- Actively manage risk of breaches to appropriate records, information and knowledge management systems, protocols and policies



Project Management

Understand and apply effective planning, coordination and control methods

- Understand all components of the project management process, including the need to consider change management to realise business benefits
- Prepare clear project proposals and accurate estimates of required costs and resources
- Establish performance outcomes and measures for key project goals, and define monitoring, reporting and communication requirements
- Identify and evaluate risks associated with the project and develop mitigation strategies
- Identify and consult stakeholders to inform the project strategy
- Communicate the project's objectives and its expected benefits
- Monitor the completion of project milestones against goals and take necessary action
- Evaluate progress and identify improvements to inform future projects



Optimise Business Outcomes

Manage people and resources effectively to achieve public value

- Engage in strategic and operational workforce planning that effectively uses organisational resources to achieve business goals
- Resolve any barriers to recruiting and retaining people of diverse cultures, backgrounds and experiences
- Encourage team members to take calculated risks to support innovation and improvement
- Align systems and processes to encourage improved performance and outcomes

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Complementary capabilities

Complementary capabilities are also identified from the Capability Framework and relevant occupation-specific capability sets. They are important to identifying performance required for the role and development opportunities. Note: capabilities listed as 'not essential' for this role are not relevant for recruitment purposes however may be relevant for future career development.

Capability group/sets	Capability name	Description	Level
Personal Attributes	Act with Integrity	Be ethical and professional, and uphold and promote the public sector values	Adept
Personal Attributes	Manage Self	Show drive and motivation, an ability to self-reflect and a commitment to learning	Adept
Personal Attributes	Value Diversity and Inclusion	Demonstrate inclusive behaviour and show respect for diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives	Adept
Relationships	Work Collaboratively	Collaborate with others and value their contribution	Adept
Relationships	Influence and Negotiate	Gain consensus and commitment from others, and resolve issues and conflicts	Adept
Results	Deliver Results	Achieve results through the efficient use of resources and a commitment to quality outcomes	Adept
Results	Demonstrate Accountability	Be proactive and responsible for own actions, and adhere to legislation, policy and guidelines	Adept
Business Enablers	Finance	Understand and apply financial processes to achieve value for money and minimise financial risk	Intermediate
Business Enablers	Procurement and Contract Management	Understand and apply procurement processes to ensure effective purchasing and contract performance	Adept
People Management	Manage and Develop People	Engage and motivate staff, and develop capability and potential in others	Adept
People Management	Inspire Direction and Purpose	Communicate goals, priorities and vision, and recognise achievements	Adept





Manage Reform and Change

Support, promote and champion change, and assist
Intermediate others to engage with change

