# Role Description Project Support Officer



Role Description Fields	Details
Cluster	Education
Department/Agency	TAFE NSW
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## Agency overview

TAFE NSW's purpose is to skill the workforce of the future. It is Australia's leading provider of vocational education and training with over 500,000 annual enrolments and a proud history for setting the benchmark for quality service. As the NSW public provider, it supports the NSW Government's priority to grow skills for the economy and jobs of tomorrow. Critically, TAFE NSW plays a vital role in providing vocational education in rural and regional NSW, and job training pathways for the most vulnerable in the community.

TAFE NSW offers the best of campus-based delivery as well as flexible, online and work-based learning. The TAFE NSW values of Customer First, Collaboration, Integrity and Excellence guide our team in strengthening communities, delivering world-class training for our students and producing job ready graduates for employers. The operating environment for TAFE NSW is dynamic as we leverage our scale, expertise, passion and reputation to meet the rapidly changing VET landscape.

TAFE NSW is committed to its students and customers and the role it plays in changing lives and opening up opportunities through learning.

## Primary purpose of the role

This position is responsible for providing broad ranging administrative support to the Program team. This position assists in the development, implementation and maintenance of team processes and tools, and will ensure team adherence to quality procedures.



### Key accountabilities

- 1. Support the design, delivery and continuous improvement of administrative processes and tools in order to ensure the Program adheres to quality protocols and procedures and meets deadlines.
- 2. Perform assigned project tasks and activities to deliver within the required timeframes of the project.
- 3. Communicate with key stakeholders to facilitate exchange of information, assist with follow up on key delivery items, and to support project completion in line with project plans.
- Provide hands on support to the project team in workshops held at various TAFE NSW worksites, including organising, preparing materials, supporting the facilitation of the workshops and compiling consolidated outputs.
- 5. Track and report on project progress to inform on status against established resource plans, milestones and deliverables.
- 6. Source, collate and compile data and information to maintain registers of identified emerging risks and issues and tracking of key project tasks and milestones.
- 7. Assist with recruitment processes, ensure Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest and Working With Children Checks are completed prior to on boarding resources and take responsibility for on boarding and off boarding of program resources in order to adhere to governance requirements.
- 8. Provide generalist administrative support including: secretariat; minuting meetings; travel and accommodation; function and events; program health checks & audits; internal and external reviews; and project presentations in order to enable the team and to support the team's performance.
- 9. Reflect TAFE NSW's values in the way you work and abide by policies and procedures to ensure a safe, healthy and inclusive work environment.
- 10. Place the customer at the center of all decision making.
- 11. Work with the Line Manager to develop and review meaningful performance management and development plans.

## Key challenges

- Responding to multiple, time constrained requests within a fast paced environment while continuing to deliver ongoing business as usual reporting, support and assistance.
- Working supportively with a busy team, ensuring their engagement with and completion of critical reporting requirements.
- Maintaining appropriate continuity in core activities while adapting responsively to new and emerging priorities and opportunities.

## **Key relationships**

#### Internal

Who	Why
Line Manager	<ul> <li>Receive advice, support and direction.</li> <li>Provide administrative support and assistance.</li> <li>Alert where timeframes may be in jeopardy.</li> <li>Develop and implement risk mediation strategies (where timeframes are challenged).</li> </ul>
Project Officers	Provide administrative support and assistance



#### **Role dimensions**

#### **Decision making**

- Makes decisions, using good judgment, expertise and knowledge, under limited guidance from more senior staff, on tasks/assignments with considerable complexity and sensitivity.
- Matters requiring a higher level of approval are referred to the Reporting Line Manager.

Reporting line

Project Manager

**Direct reports** 

Nil

**Budget/Expenditure** 

**TBA** 

## **Essential requirements**

- 1. A valid Working with Children Check (required prior to commencement).
- 2. Diploma, Advanced Diploma or Associate Degree in a relevant discipline or equivalent skills, knowledge and experience.
- 3. High level administrative experience in a fast paced environment with tight and conflicting deadlines.
- 4. Experience developing, implementing and maintaining office processes and tools.

### 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	Manage Self Show drive and motivation, an ability to self-reflect and a commitment to learning	<ul> <li>Adapt existing skills to new situations</li> <li>Show commitment to achieving work goals</li> <li>Show awareness of own strengths and areas for growth, and develop and apply new skills</li> <li>Seek feedback from colleagues and stakeholders</li> <li>Stay motivated when tasks become difficult</li> </ul>	Intermediate





#### **Communicate Effectively**

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

- Tailor communication to diverse audiences
- Clearly explain complex concepts and arguments to individuals and groups
- Create opportunities for others to be heard, listen attentively and encourage them to express their views
- Share information across teams and units to enable informed decision making
- Write fluently in plain English and in a range of styles and formats
- Use contemporary communication channels to share information, engage and interact with diverse audiences

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#### Work Collaboratively

Collaborate with others and value their contribution

- Encourage a culture that recognises the value of collaboration
- Build cooperation and overcome barriers to information sharing and communication across teams and units
- Share lessons learned across teams and units
- Identify opportunities to leverage the strengths of others to solve issues and develop better processes and approaches to work
- Actively use collaboration tools, including digital technologies, to engage diverse audiences in solving problems and improving services

Intermediate



#### Plan and Prioritise

Plan to achieve priority outcomes and respond flexibly to changing circumstances

- Understand the team and unit objectives and align operational activities accordingly
- Initiate and develop team goals and plans, and use feedback to inform future planning
- Respond proactively to changing circumstances and adjust plans and schedules when necessary
- Consider the implications of immediate and longer-term organisational issues and how these might affect the achievement of team and unit goals
- Accommodate and respond with initiative to changing priorities and operating environments





#### **Technology**

Understand and use available technologies to maximise efficiencies and effectiveness

- Demonstrate a sound understanding of technology relevant to the work unit, and identify and select the most appropriate technology for assigned tasks
- Use available technology to improve individual performance and effectiveness
- Make effective use of records, information and knowledge management functions and systems
- Support the implementation of systems improvement initiatives, and the introduction and roll-out of new technologies



## **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	Display Resilience and Courage	Be open and honest, prepared to express your views, and willing to accept and commit to change	Foundational
Personal Attributes	Act with Integrity	Be ethical and professional, and uphold and promote the public sector values	Foundational
Personal Attributes	Value Diversity and Inclusion	Demonstrate inclusive behaviour and show respect for diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives	Foundational
Relationships	Commit to Customer Service	Provide customer-focused services in line with public sector and organisational objectives	Intermediate
Relationships	Influence and Negotiate	Gain consensus and commitment from others, and resolve issues and conflicts	Intermediate
Results	Deliver Results	Achieve results through the efficient use of resources and a commitment to quality outcomes	Intermediate
Results	Think and Solve Problems	Think, analyse and consider the broader context to develop practical solutions	Intermediate
Results	Demonstrate Accountability	Be proactive and responsible for own actions, and adhere to legislation, policy and guidelines	Foundational
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	Intermediate
Business Enablers	Project Management	Understand and apply effective planning, coordination and control methods	Foundational

