

Role Description

Assistant Grants Advisor



Regional
NSW

Cluster	Regional NSW
Agency	Department of Regional NSW
Division/Branch/Unit	Regional Development and Programs
Location	Various
Classification/Grade/Band	Clerk Grade 5-6
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Agency overview

The Department of Regional NSW (DRNSW) was formed in 2020 as a central agency for regional issues. The Department is responsible for building resilient regional economies and communities, strengthening primary industries, managing the use of regional land, overseeing the state's mineral and mining resources and ensuring government investment in regional NSW is fair and delivers positive outcomes for local communities and businesses.

Our Regional Programs and Regional Recovery branches coordinate and deliver sector excellence and leadership in grants design, administration, evaluation and program assurance to support social and economic outcomes for regional NSW, while also enabling people, businesses and communities to recover from disasters including flood, bushfire, COVID-19 and drought. The Regional Recovery branch includes the Office for Regional Youth and provides support to the Minister for Regional Youth and coordinates critical Regional Youth Task Force activities.

Primary purpose of the role

Undertake a range of grants administration tasks in accordance with policies, strategies and standards to deliver effective and targeted grants funding.

Key accountabilities

- Undertake a range of administrative tasks that support the efficient and compliant management of regional and community grants administered by the Regional NSW team.
- Contribute to a range of projects, programs, and other initiatives to support regional and community development activities.
- Compile, analyse, interpret and report on data and other information to inform performance monitoring, project and program design, implementation, evaluation and strategy.
- Undertake research activities, source and collate information, providing advice and contributing to the preparation of reports, presentations, briefings, and other correspondence for senior management.

Key challenges

- Consistently and accurately assess and support the administration of effective grants funding in an environment with a high volume and variety of tasks, competing priorities and tight deadlines.
- Dealing effectively and professionally with business clients and industry stakeholders whilst managing their expectations and balancing competing priorities.

Key relationships

Who	Why
Internal	
Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Escalate issues, keep informed, advise, receive guidance and instructions.• Participate in meetings, share information and liaise, consult and coordinate activities on strategy, advice and projects and provide input on issues
Work team	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide support and participate in coordinated activities• Work collaboratively to contribute to achieving team outcomes
External	
Key industry stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Share information and gain feedback regarding industry strategy advice and project implementation.

Role dimensions

Decision making

Decisions which are made by this role include:

- Determines own work load and priorities in consultation with the Manager
- Exercises discretion in the approach and content of information, advice and recommendations provided.
- Initiates and maintains communication strategies and networks with internal and external stakeholders.
- Decisions which are referred to a supervisor include any changes to project outcomes or timeframes, issues with the potential to escalate or create precedent, matters requiring a higher administrative or financial delegation or submission to a higher level of management.

Reporting line

Manager

Direct reports

Nil

Budget/Expenditure

Nil

Capabilities for the role

The [NSW public sector capability framework](#) 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	Act with Integrity Be ethical and professional, and uphold and promote the public sector values	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Represent the organisation in an honest, ethical and professional way• Support a culture of integrity and professionalism• Understand and help others to recognise their obligations to comply with legislation, policies, guidelines and codes of conduct• Recognise and report misconduct and illegal and inappropriate behaviour• Report and manage apparent conflicts of interest and encourage others to do so	Intermediate
	 Relationships	Commit to Customer Service Provide customer-focused services in line with public sector and organisational objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus on providing a positive customer experience• Support a customer-focused culture in the organisation• Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the services provided and relay this knowledge to customers• Identify and respond quickly to customer needs• Consider customer service requirements and develop solutions to meet needs• Resolve complex customer issues and needs• Cooperate across work areas to improve outcomes for customers
		Work Collaboratively Collaborate with others and value their contribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Build a supportive and cooperative team environment• Share information and learning across teams• Acknowledge outcomes that were achieved by effective collaboration• Engage other teams and units to share information and jointly solve issues and problems• Support others in challenging situations• Use collaboration tools, including digital technologies, to work with others
 Results	Deliver Results Achieve results through the efficient use of resources and a commitment to quality outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seek and apply specialist advice when required• Complete work tasks within set budgets, timeframes and standards• Take the initiative to progress and deliver own work and that of the team or unit• Contribute to allocating responsibilities and resources to ensure the team or unit achieves goals• Identify any barriers to achieving results and resolve these where possible• Proactively change or adjust plans when needed	Intermediate

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	Technology Understand and use available technologies to maximise efficiencies and effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 	Intermediate
	Project Management Understand and apply effective planning, coordination and control methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform basic research and analysis to inform and support the achievement of project deliverables • Contribute to developing project documentation and resource estimates • Contribute to reviews of progress, outcomes and future improvements • Identify and escalate possible variances from project plans 	Intermediate

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.

COMPLEMENTARY CAPABILITIES

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
	Manage Self	Show drive and motivation, an ability to self-reflect and a commitment to learning	Intermediate
	Value Diversity and Inclusion	Demonstrate inclusive behaviour and show respect for diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives	Foundational
 Relationships	Communicate Effectively	Communicate clearly, actively listen to others, and respond with understanding and respect	Intermediate
	Influence and Negotiate	Gain consensus and commitment from others, and resolve issues and conflicts	Foundational
 Results	Plan and Prioritise	Plan to achieve priority outcomes and respond flexibly to changing circumstances	Intermediate
	Think and Solve Problems	Think, analyse and consider the broader context to develop practical solutions	Intermediate
	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	Foundational
	Procurement and Contract Management	Understand and apply procurement processes to ensure effective purchasing and contract performance	Foundational