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Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

Description

Job Title: Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

Location: London University Technical College (UTC)

Salary: Competitive, based on experience

Contract Type: Full-time, Permanent

Reports to: Principal and Board of Governors

Overview:

A London University Technical College (UTC) is seeking a dynamic and strategic Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to lead its financial operations. The CFO will be a key member of the senior leadership team, providing both strategic and operational support to the Principal and Board of Governors. The successful candidate will play a crucial role in ensuring the financial sustainability, compliance, and long-term growth of the UTC.

Responsibilities

Key Responsibilities:

1. Strategic Financial Leadership:

- Develop and implement the UTC's financial strategy to support its educational mission and strategic objectives.
- Provide financial analysis, forecasting, and guidance to the Principal and Board of Governors to inform key decision-making.
- Drive the UTC's financial planning, including budgeting, forecasting, and long-term financial modelling.
- Identify potential financial risks and develop mitigation strategies.

2. Financial Management and Reporting:

- Oversee the preparation of accurate and timely financial reports, including monthly management accounts, annual financial statements, and reports for the Board of Governors.
- Lead the preparation of the annual budget in consultation with relevant stakeholders, ensuring alignment with the UTC's strategic priorities.
- Manage cash flow effectively to ensure financial stability, including monitoring reserves and investments.
- Ensure compliance with financial regulations, reporting requirements, and best practices within the education sector, particularly those related to academies and UTCs.

3. Compliance and Governance:

- Ensure robust financial controls and procedures are in place to safeguard the UTC's assets.
- Lead on compliance with financial policies, external audits, and regulatory requirements (e.g., ESFA, DfE, and Charities)

Hiring organization

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Employment Type

Full-time

Beginning of employment

1st November 2024

Duration of employment

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Industry

Education

Job Location

London

Working Hours

9-5

Base Salary

£ 56,000 - £ 85,000

Date posted

September 28, 2024

Valid through

31.10.2024

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- Serve as the key liaison with external auditors, providing all necessary documentation and support.

4. Operational Efficiency and Resource Management:

- Manage the finance team, providing leadership, development, and support to ensure high standards of financial management.
- Oversee procurement processes to ensure value for money and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.
- Support operational projects, including capital investment and facilities management, from a financial perspective.
- Collaborate with other departments to ensure the effective allocation and monitoring of resources across the UTC.

5. Stakeholder Engagement and Communication:

- Present financial information to the Board of Governors, committees, and senior leadership in a clear and accessible manner.
- Build and maintain strong relationships with external stakeholders, including banks, funders, and government bodies.
- Provide expert financial advice to support funding applications and bids for additional resources.

Qualifications

Key Requirements:

- Professional accounting qualification (e.g., ACA, ACCA, CIMA) and significant post-qualification experience in a senior financial management role.
- Experience in an educational setting, preferably within an academy, college, or university technical college, is highly desirable.
- Strong understanding of the financial regulations governing educational institutions, particularly in the UK context.
- Demonstrated experience in strategic financial planning, budgeting, and risk management.
- Proven ability to lead and manage a finance team, with excellent leadership, communication, and interpersonal skills.
- Strong analytical skills with the ability to present complex financial information to non-financial stakeholders.
- Commitment to the educational values and ethos of the UTC, with a focus on supporting student outcomes.

Job Benefits

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- Competitive salary and benefits package.
- Opportunity to play a pivotal role in shaping the future of a forward-thinking educational institution.
- Collaborative and supportive working environment within a vibrant educational community.

Contacts

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