# University of Sunderland

# **Role Profile**

## Part 1



Part 1	
Job Title:	Accounts Payable Assistant
Reference No:	
Reports to:	Accounts Payable Coordinator
Responsible For:	N/A
Grade:	Grade C
Working Hours:	
Faculty/Service:	Finance
Location:	Edinburgh Building, City Campus
Main Purpose of Role:	Working as part of a team to ensure governance of the Procure to Pay Cycle and operational transactions are carried out in accordance with relevant financial controls, and University policies.
Key Responsibilities and Accountabilities:	

- Point of contact for own Faculty and Service portfolio with responsibility for:
  - Providing support to self-serve users regarding the Procure to Pay Cycle, by applying governance, dealing with queries, advising on best practice, 'how to' scenarios and 1-2-1 training.
  - Supporting and working with the relevant Finance Business Partner for all Procure to Pay Cycle matters in own portfolio of responsibility.
  - Investigating queries, seeking advice where necessary, and following through to completion.
- Working as part of the wider Accounts Payable Team, with responsibility
  - Transactional Processing of invoices, credit notes, utilities, payment requests, advance payments, expense claims, including student expenses for payment.
  - Transactional Processing of requisitions for the purchase of goods and services, goods receipting and purchase order management.
  - Building and maintain relationships with suppliers. Liaise with suppliers over invoices, credit notes and statement of accounts.
  - Booking travel arrangements and providing advice and support where necessary.

Achieving Key Performance Indicators, Team Objectives, and Standard Operating Procedure targets. Reviewing and processing payment card transactions for own area of responsibility. Responsible for ensuring housekeeping is kept up to date to ensure accurate budget information across all areas: Payment Cards, Suspended Invoicing, Goods Receipting, Open Purchase Orders, Travel and Expenses. Support with the compilation of reports, including ad hoc requests, as and when necessary. Provide general advice and guidance to Faculties and Services regarding the Procure to Pay Cycle and all associated finance processes. Ensure compliance with Procure to Pay Cycle governance and financial controls within the section and department at all times. Providing support to the Accounts Payable Manager during periods of absence of the Coordinator and Lead roles. Any other duties as commensurate with the grade of the post

Special Circumstances:

Annual leave may be restricted at key times throughout the year to meet business needs. For example - Financial year-end.

**Date Completed:** 

February 2021

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## Part 2



#### Part 2A: Essential and Desirable Criteria

#### Essential

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#### **Qualifications and Professional Memberships:**

- A-Level or equivalent qualification or experience related to the role.
- Maths and English GCSE Grade C or equivalent

### **Knowledge and Experience:**

- Good working knowledge of the Procure to Pay Cycle
- Experience in being customer service focused
- Demonstrable high level of IT skills
- Demonstrable proactive, enthusiastic and flexible approach to work
- Demonstrable ability to work as part of a team to achieve successful KPIs and Team Objectives
- Experience of prioritising your own workload to ensure deadlines and KPIs are achieved.
- Building relationships and demonstrable experience of providing advice and guidance to key stakeholders regarding the Procure to Pay Cycle and supporting policies and procedures
- Experience of processing high volume transactions within a finance department
- Effective problem solving skills.

### **Desirable**

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#### **Qualifications and Professional Memberships:**

• Part Qualified Accounting Technician/equivalent qualification or equivalent experience related to the role.

#### **Knowledge and Experience:**

 Demonstrable knowledge and experience of Technology One accounting package and related modules

Part 2B: Key Competencies	
Competencies are assessed at the interview/selection testing stage	
Date Completed:	February 2021