

## **Finance Officer**

**Department:** CYPES

Section: Victoria College

Reports to:

JE Ref: CYP1263

**Grade: CS6 JE Date**: 04/07/2024

#### Job purpose

To manage the day to day administration of the College's finances reporting to the Bursar.

To provide up-to-date financial reporting in relation to: School Budget, School Fund, School Trips, Activities, Bursaries, Income and any other funds connected to the College.

To support all administrative functions for the College as required and to be a primary point of contact for all financial and administrative enquiries, both internal and external.

#### Job specific outcomes

Accurately maintain the College's financial records relating to its £10 million budget and advise the Bursar, checking accuracy of computer output, interpreting reports, calculating and producing statistics and reports for management information as required.

Extract and reconcile information from CYPES's monthly reports and live information from the computerised accounts package (Connect Finance) to ensure that all financial transactions are correctly recorded.

Manage, monitor and control the School Fund accounts which have a turnover of £600,000 covering all income and expenditure for College activities including school trips, the VC Combined Cadet Force activities and all other Co-Curricular activities through Quickbooks. Liaise with appropriate organisers and investigate and resolve any related queries.

Be the first point of contact for all aspects of the accounts receivable function of Victoria College and VCP and thereafter be responsible for the administration and collection of all school fees and other income at VC and VCP through the Treasury systems, maintaining close contact with colleagues in the central teams. Check receipt of online payments and bank cash and cheques from all areas of the College, including community use of facilities.

Ensure correct book keeping procedures are in place for maintaining an imprest account for petty cash and cheques.

Reconcile the various bank accounts, purchase cards, travel expenses, returned cheques, petty cash and sundry expenses accounts to ensure that all records are accurately maintained and expenditure is accounted for. Investigate where necessary any discrepancies and take appropriate action.



Control and process orders for goods and services as required, coding to the correct budget and making correct payment after receipt of goods. Liaise with Treasury Accounts Payable and suppliers regarding payment of all orders and invoices, ensuring invoices are correctly signed off and authorised as appropriate.

Liaise with suppliers to ensure best value for money is obtained with authority to place orders.

Manage the allocation of all photocopying costs ensuring they are posted to the correct department as well as any personal or School Fund accounts.

Manage all travel arrangements for school trips for staff and students securing the most economical booking.

Advise and alert the Bursar on issues affecting the smooth and efficient running of all financial matters which may have an adverse effect on the budget.

Assist in the management of the School Fee Suspense accounts for VC and VCP, reconciling invoices raised to student numbers and providing reports as necessary.

Work with the Bursar on strategic financial matters.

Active engagement, participation and compliance with any other statutory responsibilities applicable to the role, as amended from time to time.

### **Services (TIER 1,2 and 3 jobs only-DELETE if not applicable)**

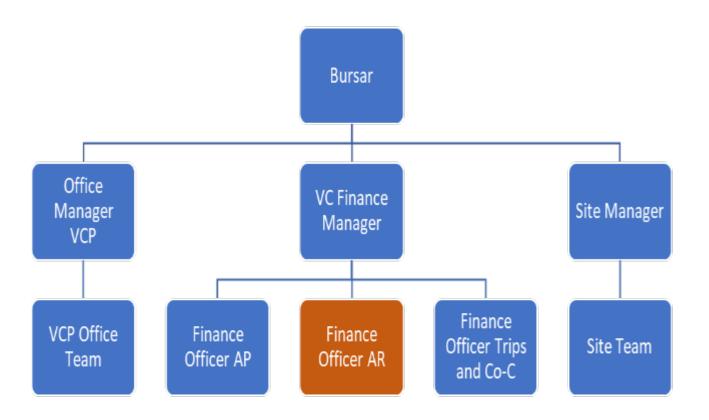
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#### **Organisational structure**





# Organisation chart





# **Person Specification**

# Specific to the role

Describe the knowledge, skills, experience, and qualifications required to perform the job to a satisfactory standard.

It is important to convey what the job requires, rather than what an individual might have, as these may be different. For example, you may have a postgraduate level qualification, however, an A' Level standard qualification is the requirement for the job.

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications Please state the level of education and professional qualifications and / or specific occupational training required.	Good general education with 3 A Levels or equivalent and strong mathematical skills.  A professional finance qualification, Certified Accounting Technican or equivalent.	
Knowledge This relates to the level and breadth of practical knowledge required to do the job (e.g. the understanding of a defined system, practice, method or procedure).	Have excellent financial and administrative skills and good knowledge of Microsoft Office.  Background in a business environment with financial experience and excellent bookkeeping skills.  An up to date knowledge of data protection, freedom of information and child protection requirements is expected, along with a willingness to keep abreast of these issues by attending relevant courses and training opportunities.	Knowledge and experience of using accounting packages, e.g. Quickbooks  Knowledge of GoJ or comparable organisation and its strategy, functions and policy developments.  Knowledge and understanding of, and willingness to comply with, health and safety at work.
Technical / Work-based Skills This relates to the skills specific to the job, e.g. language fluency, vehicle license etc.	Excellent Information Technology skills, especially in respect of Microsoft applications (e.g. Outlook, Word and Excel) together with knowledge of other office equipment.	Knowledge of SIMS and GoJ finance systems, e.g. Connect Finance.  Ability to analyse financial information and prepare detailed reports.  Capable of producing accurate and well



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General Skills/Attributes This relates to more general characteristics required to do the job effectively, e.g. effective written communication skills, ability to delegate, motivation or commitment etc.	Attention to detail and ability to record information accurately with minimum supervision.	Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all students.  A willingness to undertake training.
	High levels of self- management and organisational skills with the ability to judge priorities and act on initiative.	
	Must be able to work as part of a team and maintain efficiency and professionalism whilst under pressure.	
	An ability to deal calmly and diplomatically with a wide range of stakeholders, along with the ability to maintain strict confidentiality.	
	Able to accurately record information and data.  Organised and selfmotivated.  Proven interpersonal skills are required as post holder will have to actively communicate with States Departments, Suppliers, Budget holders, colleagues, parents and students on a regular basis.  Ability to prioritise work accurately under pressure and have a sense of personal responsibility.	
	Be able to deal with routine challenges autonomously, some with a moderate level of complexity.	
	Be able to operate within	

a number of specialised IT



	and software systems, e.g. SIMS, Connect Finance.	
Experience This is the proven record of experience and achievement in a field, profession or specialism. This could include a minimum period of experience in a defined area of work if required by an external body (for example a period of post-qualification experience).	A minimum of 3 years' experience working in a relevant professional environment.	Experience in analysing financial information and preparing detailed reports.

## Personal Attributes

Appointees to this role will be required to adhere to and perform their duties in line with the standards identified in the States of Jersey tier 5 and 6 core accountabilities attributes and behaviour indicators.