

JOB TITLE: MANAGER, CURRICULUM PROJECT SERVICES

DEPARTMENT:	Information Technology	REPORTS TO:	Director EPMO
JOB CLASS:	Manager, Curriculum Project Services	PAY GRADE:	IT 39
EXEMPT STATUS:	Exempt	DATE:	6/10/2019

Our Mission is to deliver a high quality, technology-based education that provides the skills and knowledge students need for success.

POSITION GENERAL SUMMARY:

The Manager, Curriculum Project Services leads a team of Project Managers responsible for planning, executing, and finalizing Curriculum and related projects according to approved deadlines and within approved budget following the Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO) project management lifecycle and Curriculum best practices. The Manager, Curriculum Project Services provides leadership throughout the entire lifecycle of a Curriculum project by collaborating with Curriculum functional managers, acquiring needed resources, and coordinating the efforts of team members and third-party contractors or consultants in order to execute and deliver projects successfully. Additionally, the Manager, Curriculum Project Services is required to collaborate with the Senior Manager, Project Services to keep abreast of new technologies and industry trends and incorporate these when appropriate.

ESSENTIAL POSITION FUNCTIONS:

- In collaboration with Senior Manager, Project Services, oversee all Curriculum project management functions
- Provide continuous improvement in the daily application of Curriculum project management and reporting
- Collaborate with EPMO management to contribute toward the EPMO strategic vision
- Ensure Curriculum projects are delivered on-time and on-budget
- Assign people and technology resources to projects
- Provide supervision and leadership to Curriculum Project Managers and Coordinators
- Define, communicate, and execute the strategies for effective Curriculum project management
- Implement standardized practices in alignment with the EPMO Project Management Life Cycle
- Ensure compliance with the EPMO Project Management Life Cycle (Software Development Cycle and Curriculum Development Lifecycle) policies and procedures
- Evaluate existing standard operating procedures and implement changes to increase effectiveness and efficiency

- Evaluate Curriculum project portfolio to identify risks associated with resource constraints and recommend staffing changes accordingly
- Mentor team members in best practices and skill development
- Schedule and balance team activities to meet deadlines for deliverables
- Conduct regular team status meetings and client meetings
- Provide periodic review of team member's performance, both formally and informally
- Participate in peer review of work products to ensure standards are met with quality
- Communicate relevant project information to the executive leadership team
- Manage vendor relationships with regard to contracts, invoice payments, and deliverables
- Contribute to Curriculum portfolio planning with Curriculum and EPMO management
- Manage, control, direct, and supervise assigned direct reports, including general leadership, planning, organizing, and reviewing
- Meet professional obligations through efficient work habits such as, meeting deadlines, honoring schedules, coordinating resources and meetings in an effective and timely manner, and demonstrate respect for others
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(These essential functions are not to be construed as a complete statement of all duties performed. Employees will be required to perform other job-related duties as required.)

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Education/Licensure/Certification:

- Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Education or Information Systems; or equivalent combination of education and relevant experience
- Master's Degree in Business Administration or Education preferred
- Industry certifications in project management preferred

Experience:

- Five years project management experience
- Curriculum experience, preferred
- Three years' experience leading, supervising or managing others

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSA's):

• Ability to work with and through people to establish goals, objectives, and action plans

- Ability to manage multiple Curriculum projects, meet deadlines, interface with Curriculum, Instruction and other company business units and work in a fast-paced technology driven environment
- Ability to perform project management in an effective manner
- Ability to effectively interview internal and external customers to gain the essential requirements information and build on key relationships with stakeholders
- Ability to critically evaluate information from multiple sources, reconcile conflicts, decompose high level information into details and abstract low-level information to a more general understanding
- Ability to decompose a Curriculum project into distinct work packages and determine appropriate resource requirements for each work package
- Ability to distinguish user requests from the underlying business needs and distinguish solution ideas from requirements
- Proven skills in the effective use of Microsoft Project, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Visio, and Project Management Information System software

CORE COMPETENCIES FOR SUCCESS:

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Clearly and effectively conveys and/or presents information verbally; summarizes what was heard to mitigate miscommunication; Shares ideas and perspectives and encourages others to do the same; Informs others involved in a project of new developments; Disseminates information to other employees, as appropriate; Effectively uses multiple channels to communicate important messages; Keeps supervisor well informed about progress and/or problems in a timely manner; Writes in a clear, concise, organized and convincing way for a variety of target audiences; The written message is consistently error-free; The written message has the desired effect on the target audience

INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Relates well with others; Treats others with respect; Shares views in a tactful way; Demonstrates diplomacy by approaching others about sensitive issues in non-threatening ways; Considers and responds appropriately to the needs, feelings and capabilities of others; Fosters an environment conducive to open, transparent communication among all levels and positions; Takes the initiative to get to know internal and external customers

CUSTOMER FOCUS

Prioritizes customers (internal and external) and their needs as primary and is dedicated to meeting their expectations; Develops and maintains customer relationships; builds credibility and trust; Quickly and effectively solves customer problems; Provides prompt, attentive service in a cheerful manner; adapts to changing information, conditions or challenges with a positive attitude; Incorporates customer feedback into delivery of service to provide the best experience possible for the customer; Actively promotes FLVS in community by serving as a FLVS ambassador or volunteer

FUNCTIONAL /TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Has the skills, abilities, knowledge and experience to be successful in functional area of expertise; Dedicates time and energy to keeping abreast of the latest information related to area of expertise and technology; Picks up on technology quickly; Does well in technical courses and seminars; Produces high quality work in organized and timely fashion

MANAGER COMPETENCIES FOR SUCCESS:

COMMAND SKILLS

Relishes leading; Takes unpopular stands if necessary; Encourages direct and tough debate but isn't afraid to end it and move on; Is looked to for direction in a crisis; Faces adversity head on; Energized by tough challenges

CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

Steps up to conflicts, seeing them as opportunities; Reads situations quickly; Good at focused listening; Can hammer out tough agreements and settle disputes equitably; Can find common ground and get cooperation with minimal "noise"

LISTENING

Practices attentive and active listening with all groups/people; Has the patience to hear people out without interruption; Can accurately restate the opinion of others even when he/she disagrees

MANAGING DIVERSITY

Manages all kinds and classes of people equitably; Deals effectively with all races, nationalities, cultures, disabilities, ages and both sexes; Hires variety and diversity without regard to class; Supports equal and fair treatment and opportunity for all

DEVELOPING OTHERS

Provides constructive, concrete, behavioral feedback to others through monthly development discussions; Shares information, resources and suggestions to help others be more successful; Delegates challenging work assignments or responsibilities that will help the abilities and stretch others; Regularly meets with employees to review development needs, career aspirations and progress; Constructs compelling developmental plans and executes them; Creates a climate in which people want to do their best; Is a good judge of talent; After reasonable exposure, can articulate the strengths and limitations of people inside or outside the organization

TIMELY, QUALITY DECISION MAKING

Makes decisions in a timely manner, sometimes with incomplete information and under tight deadlines and pressure; Able to make a quick decision; Makes good decisions based upon a mixture of analysis, wisdom, experience and judgment; Sought out by others for advice and solutions; Most of his/her solutions and suggestions turn out to be correct and accurate when judged over time

PROCESS MANAGEMENT

Good at figuring out the processes necessary to get things done; Knows how to organize people and activities; Understands how to separate and combine tasks into efficient work flow; Can readily see opportunities or synergy and integration; Can simplify complex processes; Gets more out of fewer resources

TEAM BUILDING

Develops networks and builds alliances; Participates in crossfunctional activities to achieve organizational objectives; Focuses time and energy to develop direct report team and peer team; Fosters commitment, team spirit, pride and trust; Recognizes and rewards people for their achievements and contributions to organizational success; Identifies and tackles morale issues; Provides training and development to employees; creates and participates in team building sessions; Empowers others; Makes each individual feel his/her work is important; Invites input from each person and shares ownership and visibility

MANAGING & MEASURING WORK

Clearly assigns responsibility for tasks and decisions; Sets clear objectives and knows what to measure and how to measure them; Monitors process, progress, and results; Designs feedback loops into work; Holds self and others accountable for achieving goals and objectives

COMFORT AROUND HIGHER MANAGEMENT

Deals comfortably with more senior managers; Presents to more senior managers without undue tension and nervousness; Determines the best way to get things done with more senior managers by talking their language and responding to their needs; Crafts approaches to working with more senior managers that are seen as appropriate and positive

MANAGERIAL COURAGE

Doesn't hold back anything that needs to be said; Is not afraid to provide current, direct, and "actionable" positive and corrective feedback to others; Lets people know where they stand; Faces up to people problems on any person or situation quickly and directly

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:

- Frequency of travel: Frequent travel is required for meetings, trainings, and conferences; location may vary and may require overnight stays
- Light physical activities and efforts required working in an office environment

(Reasonable accommodations will be made in accordance with existing ADA requirements for otherwise qualified individuals with a disability.)

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