

Position Description – Client Services Officer (Admissions)

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| POSITION DETAILS | |
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| Portfolio | Portfolio of the Vice-President and Pro Vice-Chancellor (International) |
| Organisational Unit | Flinders International |
| Supervisor (Title) | Senior Manager, International Admissions |
| Classification | Higher Education Officer Level 5 |
| Employment Type | Continuing, full-time |

POSITION SUMMARY

Under general direction, the Client Services Officer (Admissions) is responsible for a range of tasks relating to the admission of international students to the University, with a particular focus on contributing to high level client service delivery in the assessment of applications, and issuance of offer letters.

They will be required to have a well-developed understanding of all aspects associated with the international student purchase cycle including enquiries, assessment, recruitment strategies/campaigns and Key Performance Indicators associated with the relevant team.

The position may require work outside of normal hours with restrictions on taking leave during peak work periods.

UNIVERSITY EXPECTATIONS AND VALUES

All staff at Flinders are responsible for understanding their obligations and responsibilities as set out in the University's code of conduct and are expected to:

- demonstrate commitment to the University's values of Integrity, Courage, Innovation, Excellence, and the underlying ethos of being Student Centred;
- contribute to the efficient and effective functioning of the team or work unit to meet the University's
 objectives. This includes demonstrating appropriate and professional workplace behaviours, providing
 assistance to team members, if required, and undertaking other key responsibilities or activities as directed
 by one's supervisor;
- promote and support an inclusive workplace culture which values diversity and embraces the principles of equal opportunity;
- perform their responsibilities in a manner which reflects and responds to continuous improvement; and
- familiarise themselves and comply with the University's Work Health and Safety, Injury Management and Equal Opportunity policies.

A National Police Certificate which is satisfactory to the University will be required by Flinders University before the successful applicant can commence in this position.

An up to date COVID-19 vaccination may be required as a condition of employment, in accordance with the Flinders University COVID-19 Vaccination Policy (2022). If required, any offer of employment will be subject to the successful candidate presenting their COVID-19 Digital Certificate as evidence of vaccination or showing evidence of a valid medical exemption, where relevant.



KEY POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES

The Client Services Officer (Admissions) is accountable for:

- Ensuring the effective and efficient processing of international student applications on a day-to-day basis in accordance with organisational objectives across a range of programs and recruitment channels including but not limited to:
 - General applicants;
 - Sponsored students;
 - Pathway packaged applicants;
 - Joint/Dual/Articulation degree programs;
 - Offshore programs; and
 - International Study Abroad and Exchange programs.
- 2. Adhering to Standard Operating Procedures relating to admissions policies, processes and systems whilst ensuring a high-level of customer service is maintained at all times within defined organisational timelines.
- 3. Contributing to the development and maintenance of a strong customer service culture in a team environment.
- 4. Identifying and responding to enquiries, and where applicable manage issues arising from enquiries from prospective students, recruitment agents and University staff in a timely manner, or escalate more complex matters with suggestions towards a solution.
- 5. Supporting the development of new initiatives in the University which will assist in meeting recruitment targets and managing workload.
- 6. Liaising with relevant stakeholders both internal and external in relation to applications, including academic equivalence, credit transfer, quota programs and other arrangements.
- 7. Applying a comprehensive knowledge of established practices and procedures as they affect all aspects of the range of admissions and operations.
- 8. Taking initiative and providing support to other teams within the International Recruitment team as required, particularly during peak periods.
- 9. Any other responsibilities in line with the level of the role as assigned by the Supervisor and/or the University.



KEY POSITION CAPABILITIES

- Completion of a degree qualification and/or an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education and/or training.
- Demonstrated high-level administrative skills including data entry, word processing, with a commitment to attention to detail, speed, accuracy, and an ability to be solution focused.
- Demonstrated experience and commitment to delivery of high-level customer service including contributing towards a strong client focused culture in a team environment. Well-developed organisationalskills including demonstrated experience in meeting operational objectives for on-going tasks and specifictasks/projects in a complex business environment.
- Well-developed computing skills including the ability to effectively utilise web and computer-based systems
 and familiarity with the Microsoft suite of programs and experience in the use of CRM systems.
- Well-developed interpersonal and oral communication skills that contribute to effective operational processes and build constructive relationships.
- Demonstrated experience working with international students, including an understanding of other cultures and the ability to communicate in a cross-cultural working environment.
- Well-developed oral and written communication skills including a good phone manner (and demonstrated ability to respond to enquiries across a broad range of areas/information.
- Knowledge of University program structures, academic policies and procedures, and the ability to interpret and apply University policies and procedures.
- A general understanding of the ESOS Act, Government visa policies and the National Code as they
 related to the assessment and issuance of international student offers.