# CAAT Job Evaluation System for Non-Bargaining Unit Employees

#### **Ontario Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology**

The Job Fact Sheet Questionnaire (JFS) is used to gather information for job evaluation purposes for the Colleges' Administrative Staff, Part-Time Support Staff, Part-Time and Sessional Academic Staff positions. Please read each section carefully before completing.

The Education and Experience sections are to be completed by the College according to the College's recruitment standards.

Upon completion by an incumbent, the JFS is reviewed and, when necessary, adjusted by the position's Manager and the Senior Manager responsible for the position. Any changes to the JFS are to be reviewed with the incumbent prior to evaluation. The JFS is then submitted to the appropriate College official for job evaluation purposes.

The JFS is not finalized until it has gone through the job evaluation process and the results have been confirmed by the College. A copy of the finalized JFS will be provided the incumbent for information purposes and as a job description.

#### POSITION IDENTIFICATION

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College:	St. Lawrence College					
Incumbent:	Vacant					
Position Title:	Budget and Financial Analyst					
Payband:	8					
Position Number:	00000697					
Division/Department:	Financial Services					
Location/Campus:	Kingston (Remote)					
Immediate Supervisor (title):	Associate Director, Budgets and Planning					
Type of Position:						
Administrative	Part-Time Administrative					
Sessional Academic	Part-Time Academic					
Part-Time Support	Other					
I have read and understood the	e contents of the Job Fact Sheet (if completed by an incumbent):					
Incumbent:	Date:					
Recommended by						
Position's Manager:	Date:					
Approved by						
Senior Manager:	Date:					

#### **POSITION SUMMARY**

# Provide a concise description of the position by identifying its most significant responsibilities and/or accountabilities.

Reporting to the Associate Director, Budgets and Planning, the Budget and Financial Analyst acts as a resource and advisor to managers and College staff in the process of budget preparation, analysis and interpretation of financial results and completes various elements of the budgeting and forecasting processes. The Budget and Financial Analyst is responsible for preparing various types of variance analysis, financial analysis and internal and external reporting. In addition, provides support, guidance, training and solutions for budgeting and finance software.

#### **KEY DUTIES**

Provide a description of the position's key duties. Estimate the percentage of time spent on each duty (to the nearest 5%). Add an extra page if necessary.

FINANCIAL PLANNING AND FORECASTING:	(40%
<ul> <li>Provide input to the annual budgeting and forecasting processes and critical path</li> </ul>	
Assess risks and assist managers with developing line-item and cost centre	
<ul> <li>Assist in the preparation of budget and forecast documents.</li> </ul>	
• Act as a resource and advisor to managers and College staff in the process of budget preparation, analysis and interpretation of financial results. Assist with the development and maintenance of detailed salary and benefit estimates for all full-time staff and develop estimates for the costs of sick leaves, sabbaticals and other types of employee leaves. Assist managers with the development of budgets and forecasts for part-time staffing costs.	
FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND RISK ANALYSIS AND REPORTING:	(30%
<ul> <li>Monitor operating and capital expenditures and initiate correction of errors</li> </ul>	
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	<ul> <li>path.</li> <li>Assess risks and assist managers with developing line-item and cost centre budgets.</li> <li>Assist in the preparation of budget and forecast documents.</li> <li>Assist in the preparation of the College's 5-year forecast.</li> <li>Act as a resource and advisor to managers and College staff in the process of budget preparation, analysis and interpretation of financial results. Assist with the development and maintenance of detailed salary and benefit estimates for all full-time staff and develop estimates for the costs of sick leaves, sabbaticals and other types of employee leaves. Assist managers with the development of budgets and forecasts for part-time staffing costs.</li> </ul>

- Serve as a Subject Matter Expert and system administrator for budgeting and financial reporting software, ensuring system integrity and functionality to meet Finance and College Departments' needs
- Develop financial reports, spreadsheets or other analysis tools to support Finance and College Departments' needs.

- Document defined business processes and recommended improvements in processes and systems.
- Provide training, both in a formal setting and on an ad hoc basis to finance system users.
- Create and maintain finance system chart fields, including new accounts, program codes, departments etc.
- Investigate and resolve budget errors in PeopleSoft.
- Process in year changes to budgets, including capital budget changes.

#### 4. OTHER DUTIES

As assigned

TOTAL:

(5%)

## 1. COMPLEXITY - JUDGEMENT (DECISION MAKING)

**Complexity** refers to the **variety** and relative **difficulty** of **comprehending** and **critically analysing** the material, information, situations and/or processes upon which decisions are based.

**Judgement** refers to the **process** of identifying and reviewing the available options involved in decision making and then choosing the most appropriate option. Judgement involves the application of the knowledge and experience expected of an individual performing the position.

# Provide up to three examples of the most important and difficult decisions that an incumbent is typically required to make.

- a) Training managers on processes related to budgeting and forecasting and the use of budgeting and finance systems.
- **b)** Identify anomalies/errors/inappropriate items/ amounts along with risks and opportunities in departments' budgets during development and provide Managers with appropriate suggestions and advice.

# 2. EDUCATION (to be completed by the College)

Education refers to the **minimum level** of formal education and/or the type of training or its equivalent that is required of an incumbent at the **point of hire** for the position. This may or may not match an incumbent's actual education or training.

The College is to identify the minimum level of education and/or type of training or its equivalent that is required for the position based upon the College's recruitment standards.

Non-Post Secondary	
□ □ Partial Secondary School	□ Secondary School Completion
Post Secondary	
□ □ 1-Year Certificate	□□4-Year Degree
□□2-Year Diploma	□ □ Masters Degree
⊠□3-Year Diploma/Degree	Post Graduate Degree
□ Professional Designation	Specify:
□□Other	Specify:

# A) Specify and describe any program speciality, certification or professional designation necessary to fulfil the requirements of the position.

 3-year Diploma or degree in Business Administration or Accounting, or another field of study relevant to the duties of the position.

B) Specify and describe any special skills or type of training necessary to fulfil the requirements of the position (e.g., computer software, client service skills, conflict resolution, operating equipment).

- Familiarity with Public Sector Accounting Standards
- Advanced working knowledge/competence in the use of integrated financial systems
- Exceptional analytical skills combined with intuition and creativity
- Ability to resolve issues independently
- Demonstrated understanding of financial analytics, planning and forecasting techniques, as well as business processes
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills. Ability to explain accounting procedures with non-financial personnel (Deans, Directors, Chairs) across the diverse College community. Ability to deal confidently with senior managers, staff members, Ministry representatives, etc.
- Expert with advanced functions in Excel
- Highly client service oriented. Demonstrated ability to work successfully with people at all
  organizational levels, and with diverse and sometimes conflicting interests and philosophies
- Demonstrated ability to present complex financial, statistical and other information in a clear and understandable manner

# 3. **EXERIENCE** (to be completed by the College)

Experience refers to the amount of **related**, **progressive** work experience required to obtain the essential techniques, skills and abilities necessary to fulfil the requirements of the job at the **point of hire** into the position. This may or may not match the incumbent's actual amount of experience.

The College is to identify the minimum amount and type of experience appropriate for the position based upon the College's recruitment requirements.

## Experience required at the point of hire. Up to and including:

□□0 - no experience	□□3 years
□□1 month	$\boxtimes \Box$ 5 years
□□3 months	□□7 years
$\Box$ 6 months	□□9 years
□□1 year	□□12 years
□□18 months	□□15 years
□□2 years	□□17 years

# Specify and describe any specialized type of work experience necessary to fulfil the requirements of the position.

 Proven experience developing multi-divisional budgets and performing financial analysis using complex financial systems

## 4. INITIATIVE - INDEPENDENCE OF ACTION

Initiative - Independence of action refers to the **amount of responsibility** inherent in a position and the **degree of freedom** that an incumbent has to **initiate** or **take action** to complete the requirements of the position. An incumbent is required to foresee activities and decisions to be made, then take the appropriate action(s) to ensure successful outcomes. This factor recognizes the established levels of authority which may restrict the incumbent's ability to initiate or take action, e.g., obtaining direction or approval from a supervisor, reliance on established procedures/methods of operation or professional practices/standards, and/or built-in-controls dictated by computer/ management systems.

- A) Briefly describe up to three typical job duties/types of decisions that the incumbent is required to perform using their initiative without first having to obtain direction or approval from a supervisor.
  - a) Recommend business improvement opportunities for existing and planned financial/budgeting processes and related systems of internal control.
  - b) Advise managers and College staff in the process of budget preparation, analysis and interpretation of financial results. Identify budget risk areas and discuss with budget managers.
  - c) Prepare draft reports and liaise with Ministry with respect to required submissions Annual Budget in CFIS Format and updated Interim Report; Tuition Fee Set Aside Report etc.

B) Briefly describe up to three typical job duties/types of decisions that the incumbent is required to perform which required the direction or approval from a supervisor.

- a) Changes to department structures within Peoplesoft.
- b) Implementing budget and forecast processes and process improvements.
- c) Assumptions used in the development of salary and benefit budgets and forecasts.

# 5. POTENTIAL IMPACT OF DECISIONS

Potential Impact of Decisions recognizes the **potential consequences** that **errors in judgement** made by an incumbent, despite due care, could have on the College. Usually, the higher the level of accountability inherent in a position, the greater the potential consequences there are on the College from errors in judgement.

Give up to three examples of the typical types of errors in judgement that an incumbent could make in performing the requirements of the position. Do not describe errors which could occur as a result of poor performance, or ones that are rare or extreme. Indicate the probable effects of those errors on the College, e.g., loss of reputation of program/College, waste of resources, financial losses, injury, property damage, effects on staff, students, clients or public.

- a) Misinterpretation of data, trends, etc. could lead to misrepresentation of metrics and measures, affecting quality of decisions made, of information presented to Management and/or Board, and in the longer term financial or reputational peril.
- b) Errors or omissions in budgeting, forecasting or modelling could lead to inappropriate resource allocation or other key decisions, unfavourable financial variances, and/or misleading or incorrect/incomplete reports and presentations to Board, Ministry, etc. In the longer-term severe impairment of the College's sustainability, reputation, and quality of programming could result.

# 6. CONTACTS AND WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

Contacts and Working Relationships refers to the **types**, **importance** and **intended outcomes** of the contacts and working relationships required by an incumbent to perform the responsibilities of a position. It also measures the skill level required to be effective in dealing with contacts and being involved in working relationships. This factor does **not** focus on the level of the contact, but on the **nature** of the contact.

Indicate by job title, with whom an incumbent is required to interact to perform the duties and responsibilities of the positions. Describe the nature, purpose and frequency of the interaction, e.g., exchanging information, teaching, conflict resolution, team consultation, counselling.

Contacts	Contacts by Job Title	Nature and Purpose of Contact	Freque Con	ency of tact
nternal to the College:			Occasional	Frequent
nternal to the college, e.g. students, staff,	Financial Services	Advise on the setting up of new accounts and programs. Share budget info as required and assist with variance analysis.		x
senior management, colleagues.	College Managers	Advice and support for budgeting; financial analysis, support and training on budgeting and reporting applications, liaison of results, etc.		х
External to the College:			Occasional	Frequent
External to the college, e.g. suppliers, advisory committees, staff at	Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (MAESD)	Preparation of reports, interpretation of policy; response to queries and requests for information	х	
other colleges, government, public/private sector.				
Occasional (O)	Contacts are made once in a			

# 7a. CHARACTER OF SUPERVISION/FUNCTIONAL GUIDANCE

Cł	nara	cter of S	Sup	pervision identifies t	the <b>degree ar</b>	nd type of	superviso	ry r	espons	ibility in a	pos	sition
or	the	nature	of	functional/program	supervision,	technical	direction	or	advice	involved	in	staff
rel	atior	nships.										

( $\checkmark$ ) Check the applicable box(es) to describe the type of supervisory responsibility required by an incumbent in the position:					
$\Box$ Not responsible for supervising or providing guidance to anyone.					
$\boxtimes$ $\Box$ Provides technical and/or functional guidance to staff and/or students.					
$\Box$ Instructs students and supervises various learning environments.					
□ Assigns and checks work of others doing similar work.					
Supervises a work group. Assigns work to be done, methods to be used, and is responsible for the work performed by the group.					
$\Box$ $\Box$ Manages the staff and operations of a program area/department.*					
$\Box$ $\Box$ Manages the staff and operations of a division/major department.*					
☐ ☐ Manages the staff and operations of several divisions/major departments.*					
□□Acts as a consultant to College management.					
□ Other e.g., counselling, coaching. Please specify: ■					
* Includes management responsibilities for hiring, assignment of duties and work to be performed, performance management, and recommending the termination of staff.					
Specify staff (by title) or groups who are supervised/given functional guidance by an incumbent.					
<ul> <li>Managers</li> </ul>					
College staff					

## 7b. SPAN OF CONTROL

**Span of Control** is complementary to **Character of Supervision/Functional Guidance**. Span of Control refers to the **total number of staff** for which the position has supervisory responsibility, (i.e., subordinates, plus all staff reporting to these subordinates).

Enter the total number of full time and full-time equivalent staff reporting through to the position. Also identify the number of staff for whom the position has indirect responsibility (contract for service), if applicable.

Type of Staff	Number of Staff
Full-Time Staff	0
Non-Full Time Staff (FTE) *	0
Contract for Service **	0
Total:	0

## \* Full Time Equivalency (FTE) conversions for non-full-time staff are as follows:

## Academic Staff

Identify the total average annual teaching hours taught by all non-full-time teachers (parttime, partial load and sessional) for which the position is accountable and divide by 648 hours for postsecondary teachers and 760 hours for non-postsecondary teachers.

## Support Staff

Identify the total average annual hours worked by part-time support staff for which the position is accountable and divide by 1820 hours.

## Administrative Staff

Identify the total average annual hours worked by non-full time administrative staff for which the position is accountable and divide by 1820 hours.

## \*\* Contract for Services

When considering "contracts for services," review the nature of the contractual arrangements to determine the degree of "supervisory" responsibility the position has for contract employees. This could range from "no credit for supervising staff" when the contracting company takes full responsibility for all staffing issues to "prorated credit for supervising staff" when the position is required to handle the initial step(s) when contract staffing issues arise.

## 8. PHYSICAL AND SENSORY DEMANDS

**Physical/Sensory Demands** considers the **degree** and **severity** of exertion associated with the position. The factor considers the intensity and severity of the physical effort rather than the strength or energy needed to perform the task. It also considers the sensory attention required by the job as well as the frequency of that effort and the length of time spent on tasks that cause sensory fatigue.

Identify the types of physical and/or sensory demands that are required by an incumbent. Indicate the frequency of the physical demands as well as the frequency and duration of the sensory demands. Use the frequency and duration definitions following the tables to assist with the descriptions.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Describe the types of activities and provide examples that demonstrate the physical effort that is required in the position on a regular basis, i.e., sitting, standing, walking, climbing, lifting and/or carrying light, medium or heavy objects, pushing, pulling, working in an awkward position or maintaining one position for a long period of time.

Types of Activities that Demonstrate Physical	Frequency (note definitions below)						
Effort Required	Occasional	Moderate	Considerable	Extended	Continuous		
Sitting for extended periods				Х			
Computer workstation				Х			
Talking on the telephone			Х				

#### SENSORY DEMANDS

Describe the types of activities and provide examples that demonstrate the sensory effort that is required in the position on a concentrated basis, i.e., reading information/data without interruption, inputting data, report writing, operating a computer or calculator, fine electrical or mechanical work, taking minutes of meetings, counselling, tasting, smelling etc.

		Duration				
Types of Activities that Demonstrate Sensory Effort Required	Occasional	Moderate	Considerable	Extended	Continuous	Short Intermediate or Long
Concentration / Attention to Detail				Х		I
Preparing reports / analysis/ Complex spreadsheets			x			I
Frequent interruptions and changing priorities and demands			х			S

#### FREQUENCY:

Occasional:	Occurs once in a while, sporadically.
Moderate:	Occurs on a regular, ongoing basis for up to a quarter of the work period.
Considerable:	Occurs on a regular, ongoing basis for up to a half of the work period.
Extended:	Occurs on a regular, ongoing basis for up to three-quarters of the work period.
Continuous:	Occurs on a regular, ongoing basis throughout the entire work period except for regulated breaks.

#### **DURATION:**

Short:	Up to one hour at a time without the opportunity to change to another task or take a break.
Intermediate:	More than one hour and up to two hours at a time without the opportunity to change to another task or take a break.
Long:	More than two hours at a time without the opportunity to change to another task or take a break.

## 9. WORKING CONDITIONS

**Working Conditions** considers the frequency and type of exposure to undesirable, disagreeable environmental conditions or hazards, under which the work is performed.

Describe any unpleasant environmental conditions and work hazards that the incumbent is exposed to during the performance of the job.

#### Environment

Describe the types of activities and provide examples that demonstrate exposure to unpleasant environmental conditions in the day-to-day activities that are required in the job on a regular basis, e.g., exposure to dirt, chemical substances, grease, extreme temperatures, odours, noise, travel, verbal abuse, body fluid, etc. Indicate the activity as well as the frequency of exposure to undesirable working conditions.

Types of Activities That Involve Job Related Unpleasant Environmental Conditions	Frequency (note definitions below)		
	Occasional	Frequent	Continuous
Travel to campuses	Х		

#### Hazards

Describe the types of activities and provide examples that demonstrate the hazards in the day-to-day activities that are required in the job on a regular basis, e.g. chemical substance, electrical shocks, acids, noise, exposure to infectious disease, violence, body fluids, etc. Indicate the activity as well as the frequency of exposure to hazards.

Types of Activities That Involve Job Related Hazards	Frequency (note definitions below)		
	Occasional	Frequent	Continuous
Not applicable			

#### Frequency:

Occasional	Occurs once in a while, sporadically.	
Frequent	Occurs regularly throughout the work period.	
Continuous	Occurs regularly, on an ongoing basis, throughout most of the work period.	

# Additional Notes Pertaining to this Position: