

Role Title: Financial Analyst

Job Details

Job Role Description

The Financial Analyst role involves providing financial analysis, forecasting, reporting, and strategic initiatives, supporting budgeting and planning processes, and overseeing financial details of projects and ventures.

Job Responsibilities

Job responsibility 1	Oversee financial data analysis
Job responsibility 2	Conduct financial forecasting and risk assessment
Job responsibility 3	Prepare financial reports for management review
Job responsibility 4	Analyze financial performance metrics

Job Skills and Recommended Proficiency Level

Technical Skills

Skills	Target Proficiency Level
Finance	3
Accounting	2
Financial Analysis	3
Financial Statements	3
Financial Modeling	3
Auditing	2
Economics	2
Investments	2
Project Management	2
Data Analysis	3

Common Skills

Skills	Target Proficiency Level
Management	2
Communication	2
Microsoft Excel	3
Forecasting	2
Operations	2
Leadership	2
Detail Oriented	3
Budgeting	2
Problem Solving	2
Planning	2

Technical Job Skills and Proficiency Levels

Skills Title			
Finance	_	ysis, forecasting, modeling, and py to prepare accurate reports.	olanning; ability to assess
	Profic	iency Levels	
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4
Describes the basic concepts and terminology of finance. Identifies the major	Works with a specific financial function or activity. Assists in the preparation	Evaluates the financial implications of major business decisions. Advises others on the use of	Leads the development of financial strategies and financial planning processes. Designs and develops
functions and responsibilities of the finance department.	of financial reports. Uses basic financial analysis tools and	financial analysis tools and techniques. Monitors the organizations	financial analysis, forecasting, modeling, and planning processes.
Cites examples of the use of financial analysis, forecasting, modeling, and planning.	techniques. Follows established financial analysis and	financial performance against the business plan. Designs and develops	Creates a system to monitor the financial performance of the organization.
Names the major financial reports and their purpose.	reporting procedures. Participates in the preparation of financial	financial models for multiple and diverse business units. Trains others on the use of	Develops financial analysis, forecasting, modeling, and planning best practices.
	forecasts.	financial analysis tools and techniques.	Establishes financial analysis, forecasting, modeling, and planning standards.
		Oversees the preparation of financial reports.	Monitors industry trends and directions in financial analysis, forecasting, modeling, and planning.

Accounting	Knowledge of and ability to financial status of the organ	use various techniques and tool ization.	s to analyze and report on			
	Proficiency Levels					
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4			
Describes the basic accounting concepts and principles.	Works with a specific accounting function or activity.	Evaluates the benefits and drawbacks of alternative accounting practices.	Leads in the design and development of accounting practices and policies.			
Identifies the major types of financial statements and their purpose.	Uses basic accounting tools and techniques. Assists in the preparation	Advises others on the use of accounting practices and principles.	Creates a system to monitor the organizations financial status.			
Cites the major types of accounting reports and their purpose.	of financial reports. Follows established accounting practices and	Monitors the organizations accounting practices to ensure compliance with GAAP.	Develops accounting practices and policies for the organization.			
Names the major accounting functions, features and capabilities.	procedures. Participates in the analysis of financial data.	Trains others on the use of accounting practices and principles.	Designs accounting practices and policies for the organization.			
		Designs accounting practices for a specific organization or department.	Establishes accounting practices and policies for the organization.			
		Oversees the organizations accounting practices.	Monitors the industry for accounting practices and policies.			

Financial Analysis	Knowledge of and ability to and numerical material.	read, interpret and draw accura	te conclusions from financial
	Profic	iency Levels	
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4
Describes the purpose and use of common financial reports.	Works with basic financial analysis tools and techniques.	Evaluates the financial analysis process and results recommends improvements.	Leads in the development of financial analysis best practices.
Identifies the key financial reports used in the organization.	Assists in the preparation of financial analysis reports.	Advises others on the use of financial analysis in a variety of business situations.	Designs and develops financial analysis processes and procedures.
Cites examples of common financial analysis tools and techniques.	Uses basic financial analysis tools and techniques.	Trains others on the use of financial analysis in a variety of business situations.	Creates a system to monitor the accuracy of financial analysis.
Names key financial ratios and their significance.	Follows organizational practices and standards for financial analysis.	Designs and develops financial analysis reports for senior management.	Develops financial analysis training programs for others. Establishes organizational
	Participates in the interpretation of financial	Monitors the organizations financial analysis practices	financial analysis standards.
	analysis reports.	and procedures. Oversees the financial analysis process to ensure that it is completed accurately and on time.	Monitors industry trends and developments in financial analysis.

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Financial Modeling	,	use various techniques to forecastrategies, and to develop releva	* * *
	Profic	ciency Levels	
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced – 3	World Class - 4
Describes the purpose and use of financial modeling. Identifies the key components of a financial model. Cites examples of financial models used in own organization. Explains the basic concepts of financial modeling.	Works with a specific financial modeling tool. Participates in the development of financial models. Assists in the preparation of financial models. Uses financial modeling techniques to forecast business activity. Explains the key features and functions of a specific financial modeling tool.	Evaluates the benefits and drawbacks of alternative financial modeling techniques. Advises others on the use of financial modeling techniques to forecast business activity. Trains others on the use of financial modeling techniques to forecast business activity. Designs financial models to analyze the profitability of business strategies. Monitors the use of financial modeling techniques to forecast business activity. Oversees the development of financial models to analyze the profitability of business	Leads in the development of financial models for the organization. Designs and develops financial models for multiple and diverse business activities. Creates and implements best practices for financial modeling. Monitors industry and marketplace trends and developments in financial modeling. Develops organizational standards and policies for financial modeling. Champions the use of new financial modeling techniques and tools.

Auditing		s internal audit processes, practi ocesses and make recommenda	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4		
Describes the purpose and scope of internal auditing. Identifies the types of	Works with internal or external auditors to complete audits of specific business processes.	Evaluates the effectiveness of internal audit processes and practices.	Leads in the design and development of internal audit processes and practices.		
audits performed by the internal audit function.	Assists in the preparation of audit reports.	Advises others on the design of internal audit processes and practices.	Develops and implements internal audit practices and processes.		
Cites examples of common audit findings and recommendations.	Uses audit tools and techniques to analyze specific business	Trains others on the use of advanced tools and techniques for internal	Creates a monitoring system to ensure that internal audit practices are in compliance		
Describes the roles and responsibilities of the internal audit function.	processes. Follows established audit	auditing. Designs internal audit	with the organizations policies.		
The final addit ranetion.	processes and practices.	processes and practices for the organization.	Establishes internal audit practices and processes.		
	Explains the purpose and scope of a specific audit.	Monitors the organizations internal audit processes and practices.	Monitors the industry for internal audit innovations and best practices.		
		Oversees the organizations internal audit processes and practices.	Designs internal audit practices and processes.		

Economics	Knowledge of and ability to use various economic theories to analyze and forecast economic trends and movements.					
	Proficiency Levels					
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4			
Describes the basic concepts and terminology of economics. Identifies the major economic theories and their proponents. Cites examples of the application of economic theories to realworld situations. Explains the role of government in the economy.		•	Leads in the development of economic theories and methodologies. Designs economic models to analyze and forecast economic trends and movements. Creates economic theories to explain the behavior of economic agents. Develops economic theories to explain the factors that determine the level of economic activity. Establishes economic theories to explain the factors that determine the level of economic activity. Monitors the development of			
		Oversees the organizations economic analysis and	economic theories and methodologies.			
		forecasting activities.				

Investments	Knowledge of the investment investments that are best for	nt market and ability to identify or the client.	and buy the type of
	Profic	iency Levels	
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4
Describes the basic concepts of investments. Identifies the major types	Assists in the development of investment strategies for clients.	Evaluates the clients investment portfolio and recommends changes.	Leads in the development of investment strategies for a variety of clients.
of investments. Explains the risks and rewards of various types of	Works with a specific type of investment. Uses investment analysis	Advises clients on the full range of investment alternatives.	Designs and implements investment programs for a variety of clients.
investments. Cites the key features of	tools to evaluate the risk and return of investments.	Monitors the clients investment portfolio and recommends changes.	Creates and implements investment policies and procedures.
the major types of investments.	Explains the key features of a specific type of investment. Participates in the	Designs and implements investment strategies for multiple clients.	Develops and presents investment training programs for others.
	investment selection process.	Trains others on the use of investment management tools and techniques. Oversees the investment	Monitors investment industry trends and directions assesses implications for the organization.
		management process for multiple clients.	Predicts the future of the investment market.

Project Management		gement tools and techniques an s, ensuring efficient utilization of t objectives.				
	Proficiency Levels					
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4			
Describes the roles and responsibilities of project team members. Identifies the phases and activities of the project management process.	Works with a project team to develop a project plan, including resource requirements, major milestones, and dependencies.	Evaluates the effectiveness of project management tools and techniques makes recommendations for improvements. Advises others on the use of	Leads in the development of project management tools and techniques. Designs and develops project management tools and techniques.			
Explains the purpose and content of a project plan. Cites examples of project management tools and	Assists in monitoring project progress and ensuring that project plans and schedules are adhered to.	project management tools and techniques. Designs and develops project management tools and techniques.	Creates a monitoring system to ensure that all projects are completed on time and within budget.			
techniques.	Uses project management tools to track project progress, resource utilization, and financial expenditures.	Trains others on the use of project management tools and techniques.	Establishes best practices for the use of project management tools and techniques.			
	Participates in the development of project plans and schedules.	Monitors the use of project management tools and techniques. Oversees the use of project	Monitors industry trends and developments in project management tools and techniques.			
	Explains the purpose and content of project plans and schedules.	management tools and techniques.	Develops training programs on the use of project management tools and techniques.			

Data Analysis	Knowledge of the investigation, evaluation, interpretation, and classification of data; the ability to identify, collect and analyze data to facilitate the development of financial strategies.			
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced – 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the basic concepts and terminology of data analysis. Identifies the types of data used in financial analysis. Explains the purpose of data analysis in financial management. Cites examples of data analysis tools and techniques.	Works with a specific type of data analysis. Assists in the development of data analysis reports. Uses data analysis tools and techniques to identify and interpret data. Participates in the data analysis process. Follows data analysis standards and policies.	Evaluates the quality of data analysis and recommends improvements. Advises others on the use of data analysis in financial strategies. Designs data analysis processes and procedures. Trains others on the use of data analysis in financial strategies. Monitors the use of data analysis in financial strategies. Oversees the use of data analysis in financial strategies. Oversees the use of data analysis in financial strategies.	Leads in the development of data analysis processes and best practices. Designs data analysis training programs for the organization. Creates a system to monitor the data analysis process and ensure the quality of the results. Develops data analysis standards and policies for the organization. Establishes data analysis processes and best practices for the organization. Monitors industry trends and developments in data analysis.	

Common Job Skills and Proficiency Levels

Management	Knowledge of and ability to use organizational strategies, practices and tools for administering and monitoring financial resources.			
	Proficiency Levels			
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced – 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the roles and responsibilities of the finance function.	Works with a specific aspect of financial management.	Evaluates the effectiveness of financial management practices and tools.	Leads in the development of financial management strategies and practices.	
Identifies the major financial management functions, activities and issues.	Assists in the preparation of financial reports. Uses financial	Advises others on the use of financial management practices and tools.	Designs and develops financial management tools and techniques.	
Cites examples of financial management practices and tools.	management tools and techniques. Follows financial	Designs and develops financial management practices and tools.	Creates a system to monitor the financial management practices of the organization.	
Explains the purpose and content of financial	management practices and procedures. Participates in the	Trains others on the use of financial management practices and tools.	Develops financial management practices for the organization.	
management reports.	budgeting process.	Monitors the organizations financial management practices and tools.	Establishes organizational best practices for financial management.	
		Oversees the use of financial management practices and tools.	Predicts the future trends of financial management practices.	

Communication	Ability to effectively transmit, receive, and accurately interpret ideas, information, and needs through the application of appropriate communication behaviors.			
	Proficiency Levels			
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced – 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the key elements of effective communication. Identifies the key elements of effective communication. Cites examples of effective and ineffective communication. Explains the importance of listening and feedback in the communication process.			Leads in the development of communication strategies for the organization. Designs and develops communication programs for diverse audiences. Creates a climate that encourages open communication. Establishes communication standards, policies, and practices.	
process.	problems.	Designs and delivers effective written and oral communications. Trains others on the use of different communication styles and techniques.	Monitors industry and marketplace trends and developments in communication. Develops and implements communication training programs.	

Microsoft Excel	Knowledge of and ability to use Microsoft Excel in the development and maintenance of financial models, analysis and reports.			
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced – 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the purpose and use of all major Excel functions, features and capabilities. Identifies the purpose and use of all major Excel components. Explains the use of the Excel Help function. Describes the differences between workbooks and worksheets.	Uses Excel to create and modify simple worksheets. Explains the purpose and use of all major functions, features and capabilities. Uses the help facility to learn new features and functions. Uses Excel to create and modify simple charts. Uses Excel to create and modify simple graphs.	Evaluates the benefits and drawbacks of alternative Excel design and development approaches. Advises others on the use of advanced Excel features and facilities. Designs and develops complex Excel workbooks. Trains others in the use of Excel features and facilities. Monitors Excel trends and assesses implications for inhouse production environment. Oversees the use of Excel in diverse environments and applications.	Leads in the design and development of complex financial models. Designs and builds interfaces to and from other applications. Monitors Microsoft Excel trends and assesses implications for inhouse production environment. Develops and presents a valid business case for upgrading to the latest release of Excel. Creates and maintains complex financial models.	

Forecasting Movements to meet business targets. Knowledge of forecasting methods and ability to forecast future business conditions and make necessary adjustments to meet business targets.				
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the basic concepts of forecasting. Identifies the key factors that influence forecasting. Cites examples of forecasting methods and tools. Explains the purpose of forecasting in business.	Works with a specific forecasting method or technique. Participates in the forecasting process for a specific business area. Assists in the preparation of forecasts for a specific business area. Uses forecasting tools and techniques to predict future business conditions. Explains the rationale behind a specific forecast.	Evaluates the effectiveness of forecasting methods and tools makes recommendations for improvements. Advises others on the use of forecasting methods and tools. Designs and develops forecasting methods and tools. Trains others on the use of forecasting methods and tools. Monitors the organizations forecasting activities oversees the forecasting process. Oversees the organizations forecasting activities.	Leads the development of forecasting processes and policies. Designs forecasting systems and processes for the organization. Creates a system to monitor the accuracy of forecasts. Develops training programs on forecasting methods and techniques. Monitors industry for new forecasting methods and technologies. Establishes best practices for forecasting.	

Knowledge of major responsibilities, accountabilities, and organization of the operations Operations function in the company; ability to accomplish operational tasks and maintain functioning of the operations.					
	Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced – 3	World Class - 4		
Describes the major responsibilities and activities of the operations function. Cites examples of operational tasks and activities.	Works with the basic functions of the operations department. Assists in the implementation of operations functions. Uses the main tools and	Evaluates the effectiveness of operations and makes recommendations for improvements. Advises on the use of advanced technologies and tools for the operations function.	Leads in the development of best practices for the operations function. Designs and develops the operations functions mission, vision, and objectives. Creates a system to monitor		
Identifies the key activities and deliverables of the operations function. Describes the roles and responsibilities of operations staff.	technologies for the operations function. Follows the companys operational policies and procedures. Participates in the development of the operations function.	Designs and implements operational processes and procedures. Trains others on the use of advanced technologies and tools for the operations function. Monitors the operations function to ensure compliance with organizational policies and procedures. Oversees the operations function to ensure the smooth running of operations.	the effectiveness of the operations function. Develops a system to ensure that the operations function is in compliance with all relevant laws and regulations. Establishes the operations functions policies, strategies, and business plans. Leads in the design of the operations functions organizational structure.		

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 - - -	leadership strategies and skills. y of yles and Designs and implements leadership development programs. Monitors the effectivenes leadership in a variety of situations. Trains others in the use of leadership strategies and skills.

Detail Oriented Knowledge of and ability to pay attention to the details of financial and numerical information and ability to recognize errors.				
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the importance of attention to detail in financial and numerical information. Explains the consequences of errors in financial and numerical information. Identifies the types of errors that can occur in financial and numerical information. Cites examples of financial and numerical information that is accurate and complete.	Works with financial and numerical information. Assists in the preparation of financial reports. Uses financial and numerical information to make decisions. Follows established procedures for checking financial and numerical information. Explains the importance of attention to detail in financial and numerical information.	Evaluates the accuracy of financial and numerical information. Advises others on how to pay attention to the details of financial and numerical information. Designs and implements financial and numerical information systems. Trains others on how to pay attention to the details of financial and numerical information. Monitors the accuracy of financial and numerical information. Oversees the accuracy of financial and numerical information.	Leads in the development of new methods and techniques for improving the accuracy of financial and numerical information. Designs and implements quality control systems to ensure the accuracy of financial and numerical information. Creates a work environment that encourages attention to detail. Develops training programs to improve the accuracy of financial and numerical information. Establishes best practices for the accuracy of financial and numerical and numerical information. Monitors industry trends and marketplace experiences with attention to detail.	

Budgeting	Knowledge of, and ability to resources of the organization	o use, strategies, practices and to on.	ools for managing the financial	
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the purpose and use of a budget.	Works with a specific budget.	Evaluates the effectiveness of budgeting practices and tools recommends	Leads in the development of budgeting strategies and practices.	
Identifies the key components of a budget. Explains the concept of budgeting. Cites examples of	Assists in the preparation of a budget. Follows established budgeting processes and procedures.	improvements. Advises others on the use of budgeting practices and tools. Trains others on the use of	Designs and develops budgeting processes and procedures. Creates a monitoring system to ensure that budgeting	
budgeting practices in own area.	Uses budgeting tools and techniques.	budgeting practices and tools.	practices are in line with the organizations financial goals.	
	Explains the purpose of a budget.	Oversees the development of the organizations budget. Monitors the organizations adherence to budgeting	Develops a theoretical background of budgeting and its application in the organization.	
		practices. Designs budgeting practices and tools for the	Establishes best practices for budgeting within the organization.	
		organization.	Monitors industry trends and developments in budgeting.	

Knowledge of approaches, tools, techniques for recognizing, anticipating, and resolving Problem Solving organizational, operational or process problems; ability to apply this knowledge appropriately to diverse situations.				
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the basic concepts of problem solving. Identifies the key steps in	Works with others to identify and define problems. Assists in gathering	Evaluates alternative solutions and assesses the impact of the selected solution.	Leads in the design of problem solving approaches, tools, and techniques. Establishes problem solving	
the problem solving process. Explains the importance of	information and determining cause of a problem.	Advises others on how to apply problemsolving approaches and tools.	standards, policies, strategies, and best practices. Monitors industry and	
defining a problem before attempting to solve it. Cites examples of problems	Uses appropriate problem solving and decision making processes.	Monitors the effectiveness of problemsolving efforts and the efficiency of problemsolving tools.	marketplace experiences with problem solving approaches and tools.	
that have been solved.	Follows up to ensure that problems are resolved. Participates in	Designs and develops approaches, tools, and techniques for solving	Develops problem solving training programs for the organization.	
	brainstorming, data gathering, and analysis activities to generate and	organizational, operational or process problems.	Creates problem solving case studies for the organization.	
	select solutions.	Trains others in the use of problemsolving tools and techniques.	Demonstrates a high level of proficiency in problem solving.	
		Oversees the resolution of complex or unusual problems.		

Planning	Knowledge of effective planning techniques and ability to contribute to operational (short term), tactical (1-2 years) and strategic (3-5 years) planning in support of the overall business plan.			
Proficiency Levels				
Basic - 1	Intermediate - 2	Advanced - 3	World Class - 4	
Describes the organizations	Participates in the	Evaluates alternative	Leads the development of	
planning process, cycles	development of a basic	scenarios and plans presents	the organizations planning	
and deliverables.	plan.	recommendations to senior management.	processes and practices.	
Identifies the key planning	Assists in the identification		Designs and develops	
activities and deliverables.	of resources people,	Advises others on the	planning processes and	
	money, time, and other	planning process and the use	practices for the organization.	
Cites examples of planning	assets required to carry	of planning tools and		
documents and their content.	out the plan.	techniques.	Creates a monitoring system to ensure that planning	
	Uses basic planning tools	Monitors the organizations	processes and practices are	
Explains the purpose and use of a business plan.	and techniques.	planning processes recommends improvements.	effective.	
	Works with others to		Develops a theoretical	
	develop a plan.	Designs and develops	understanding of planning	
		planning processes for new	processes and practices.	
	Explains the purpose of	or unique situations.		
	the plan to others.		Monitors industry trends and	
		Trains others on the use of	developments in planning	
		planning tools and techniques.	processes and practices.	
			Demonstrates indepth	
		Oversees the development	experience with planning	
		of shortterm operational plans.	processes and practices.	