Job Class: Administrative Management Director 1 – Job Posting 49624
Working Title: Chief Procurement Officer

Who May Apply: Open to all qualified job seekers.
Date Posted: 10/8/2021
Closing Date: 11/8/2021
Hiring Agency/Seniority Unit: Minnesota State - System Office (MGR)
Division/Unit: System Office/Finance
Appointment Type: Unlimited, Full-time
Work Shift/Work Hours: Day Shift
Days of Work: M-F
Travel Required: Yes, occasionally for training and conferences
Salary Range: $32.30 - $46.76/hourly; $67,442 - $97,634/annually
Classified Status: Classified
Bargaining Unit/Union: 220 - Managerial
FLSA Status: Exempt
Connect 700 Program Eligible: Yes

Job Summary:
This position is responsible for supporting and managing effective, organization-wide purchasing of services, materials and supplies in order to maximize cost efficiencies, price leverage and quality while also identifying and mitigating risk to the organization. The position will also manage the system wide electronic procurement systems. The position oversees development of broad internal policies and strategies, specific parameters for procurement, vendor selection and negotiation. The position also acts as the Electronic Signature Manager for the system.

About Minnesota State

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We employ more than 15,900 dedicated faculty and staff focused on student success. We provide essential training and specialized certification options for business, industry, and professionals throughout Minnesota.
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**Minimum Qualifications:**

Resume must reflect all minimum qualifications. Please enter your experience in chronological order, including the month and year of employment.

- Bachelor's Degree in accounting, business, finance or related field or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- 5-7 years procurement experience, supervisory or lead worker experience.
- Deep understanding of Procurement best practices, supply markets, suppliers and products
- Ability to lead all aspects of Procurement Strategy
- Detailed knowledge of the sourcing process including various sourcing strategies
- Ability to coordinate multiple parallel sourcing initiatives across different/numerous groups and teams to execute business strategies
- Understanding of pricing models and contracts terms
- Strong analytic skills
- Demonstrated strong presentation and negotiation skills
- Expertise in MS Office including Excel, Word, Access and PowerPoint
- Knowledge of ERP systems and online sourcing/e-sourcing tools

Minnesota State is unable to sponsor applicants for work visas. All applicants must be legally authorized to work in the US.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- MBA
- Experience with electronic procurement and workflow management
- Six Sigma/Lean/APICS or related certification
- Demonstrated expertise in process improvement strategies and tools

**Additional Requirements**

In accordance with the Minnesota State Colleges & Universities (Minnesota State) Vehicle Fleet Safety Program, employees driving on college/university business who use a rental or state vehicle shall be required to conform to Minnesota State’s Vehicle use criteria and consent to Motor Vehicle Records check.
Other Information:

Employment information for this position can be found in its collective bargaining agreement or its plan document at http://mn.gov/employee-relations/labor-relations/Labor.

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How to Apply

External Applicants: Go to the State of MN’s career site at http://www.mn.gov/careers.

Internal Applicants: Go to Self-Service/Careers.

Contact

If you have questions about the position, contact Shawna Tienter at Shawna.tienter@minnstate.edu or 651/201-1845.

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