Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

Office of the Vice-Chancellor and CEO

- Executive Appointment
- Up to 5-year fixed term with the possibility of extension
- Up to 17% employer superannuation
- Salary packaging options are available
- Relocation assistance provided
- Applicants must have appropriate Australian work rights for the duration of this position (UNE will not provide sponsorship for this position)

Acknowledgement of Country

The University of New England (UNE) is a regionally based, globally networked university renowned for the quality of its student experience and the excellence of its research specialisations. In addition, UNE pioneered teaching to external students making it the most experienced provider of distance and innovative online education.

UNE emphasises its people, staff and students' growth and development. We aspire to be a leader in innovation and change and a centre for the Armidale and the North-West communities. Equity, diversity and inclusion are central to the core values of UNE and we are committed to engaging, supporting and growing a richly diverse workforce. From the Oorala Aboriginal Centre at the heart of our campus, to the inclusive organisations such as the UNE Ally Network, the UNE Women's Society, and the many international cultural groups - all will feel valued and respected at UNE.

About the role

The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the provision of financial advice, support and leadership across the University, supporting the UNE Strategy by setting and implementing an agreed financial framework across the institution. The position is responsible for the supervision of the Directorates of Financial Services, Business Intelligence & Analytics and Procurement, and is responsible for financial reporting and governance and the management of the University's strategic investment portfolios.

Reporting to the Vice-Chancellor and CEO, the CFO will provide service, support and advice to the University Executive and Leadership on all financial and other relevant activities, and is responsible for the preparation and discussion of financial matters and reports for the UNE Council, government and other agencies. The CFO will oversee the budgets for the Directorates and controlled entities across the portfolio and, in conjunction with the Executive Team, will assist the Vice-Chancellor and CEO to determine funding allocations to support the University Strategic Plan, subplans and strategic activity.

About you

The successful candidate will demonstrate success in a leadership role of similar scale and scope along with the ability to lead and develop change and continuous improvement across an organisation. With a track record of success in large scale financial leadership, management and planning, the CFO will be an outstanding communicator with a detailed understanding of financial reporting and governance. With experience of delivering service and support across a complex organisation, the successful candidate will be a positive and learned contributor at the Senior Executive level, will bring an innovative and agile approach to the provision of financial services and support, and will work across the institution to ensure the strong and sustainable performance of UNE.

The CFO will embody the UNE values and strive to be Open, Enquiring, Exceptional and to Make a Difference, and will be committed to achieving the goals embedded in Future Fit 2021-2030: Personalised Learning Journeys, Empowering Communities, and Building Resilience.

About Armidale

Armidale is an attractive and vibrant city that combines all the features of a bustling regional town centre with the tranquility of rural living. It boasts gourmet restaurants and cafes, boutique shopping, quality schools and sporting facilities. Surrounded by mountain gorges, waterfalls and national parks, Armidale's natural beauty and distinct seasons make it an ideal place to live and thrive. To find out more, visit https://www.visitarmidale.com.au/experience

Further information and How to Apply

UNE is supported by Perrett Laver for this appointment process. For further information or to arrange a confidential conversation please contact Deborah Veness on +61 2 6198 3270 or at deborah.veness@perrettlaver.com

To lodge an application please visit https://candidates.perrettlaver.com/vacancies/ quoting reference number 7057.

Candidates should prepare the following:

- Covering letter addressing your suitability for the position based on key functions of the role detailed in the Position Description;
- Current CV;
- Certified qualifications cited in your application for this position.

Link to Privacy Statement

Applicants may be subject to pre-employment checks

Closing Date: 11.59pm AEDT Wednesday 24 January, 2024.