Position Description
Solutions Architect

Faculty/Portfolio	eSolutions
School/Centre	Digital Platforms
Basis of Employment	Full-time (36.75 hours per week)
Primary Location of Work	Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus / Geelong Waterfront Campus / Melbourne Burwood Campus / Warrnambool Campus
Classification	HEW 9
Reporting Line	Principal Solutions Architect

ABOUT DEAKIN

Deakin University is proud to be recognised as an organisation that offers a friendly, supportive and challenging working environment. Our staff are committed to making a genuine difference to people's lives through excellence in education and research. We acknowledge the importance of providing a dynamic and diverse working environment and offer variety in day-to-day roles as well as professional development opportunities to assist staff to grow and progress their careers. Deakin University staff have the opportunity to interact with colleagues from a diverse range of cultures and professional backgrounds, all of whom share a common interest in lifelong learning.

Deakin is Australia's sixth largest university and ranks first in Victoria for both student satisfaction and graduate employment. Deakin operates five campuses; the Cloud Campus, Melbourne Burwood Campus, Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus, Geelong Waterfront Campus, and the Warrnambool Campus. We have corporate centres in Melbourne's CBD, and at the Burwood, Waterfront and Waurn Ponds campuses, as well as offices in South Asia, China, Indonesia, Latin America, Europe, Malaysia, Vietnam, Pakistan and Singapore.

WHY WORK FOR OUR UNIVERSITY?

eSolutions	Benefits of working at Deakin	Deakin's Strategic Plan – LIVE Agenda

DEAKIN'S PROMISE TO EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

At Deakin we value diversity, embrace difference and nurture a connected, safe and respectful community. Deakin is an Employer of choice for Gender Equality, a proud member of the SAGE Athena SWAN program seeking gender equity for Women in STEMM, and a Gold award holder in the Australian Workplace Equality Index for LGBTI inclusion. We strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people of all cultures, abilities, sex and genders.

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POSITION OVERVIEW

The Solutions Architect works with senior representatives of the University community to help define the strategic initiatives required to advance the University's mission and core commitments. This includes the establishment, management, and ongoing promotion of all Strategic Management and Enterprise Architecture activities. In addition, the incumbent will be responsible for achieving alignment between the University's business strategies and the underpinning ICT environment.

The Architecture team is responsible for the services associated with the planning, development and implementation of the University's ICT Strategy to support the University's strategic objectives.

In line with the position purpose of establishing and managing ICT-related strategic management and enterprise architecture activities of the University, the incumbent will provide enterprise architectural leadership to eSolutions and influence the wider University in the making of rational and informed decisions.

The position reports to the Principal Solutions Architect, and is responsible for co-ordinating eSolutions, University and Vendor staff in relation to enterprise architecture and strategic management activities.

Key Relationships:

Internal	• eSolutions staff • Staff from other Faculties/Divisions to provide advice, interpretation / guidance, and approval of initiatives in relation to the University's enterprise architecture • University's Senior Executive, Faculty Deans and Divisional Directors to ensure alignment between the University's strategic direction and its supporting enterprise architecture
External	• Third-party organisations for the purposes of relationship management and market trend analysis

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES

• Develop and maintain the university's Digital and Enterprise Architecture Plans, and foster a University-wide culture relating to the provision and management of ICT-related services.
• Ensure initiatives are aligned to the overarching University strategy and plans, and have a robust architectural design, which caters to current and future business and technology needs.
• Lead the University in developing a holistic set of change recommendations (across business, systems and information) to meet the strategic direction of the University
• Actively take part in identifying and planning for the development of the University's ICT Environment (including initiatives, information, infrastructure, applications, and functionality).

KEY DUTIES

• Lead the ICT Environment and Enterprise Architecture planning processes.
• Provide clear input from the ICT Environment into the University's broader strategic management activities.
• Develop and promote the Operational Model and enterprise architecture initiatives through a variety of mediums (workshops, collaborations, meetings, email, web pages, etc.) and to a variety of audiences (Senior Executive, senior / middle management, eSolutions staff, divisional / faculty staff, vendors, contractors, etc).
• Assist faculty and divisional staff in accessing, understanding, and applying the architecture to specific ICT-related initiatives and solutions.
• Proactively engage with business and IT representatives from the wider University community (including students, staff, vendors, visitors, community groups, etc.) to determine the requirements and structure of the current and future ICT environment of Deakin University.

- Assess the compliance of new emerging technologies against strategic and architectural requirements of the University's ICT environment - to maximise the reliability, relevance, and responsiveness of the ICT environment.

ABOUT YOU

To be successful at Deakin you are willing to enthusiastically embrace the Deakin Offer and Promise as expressed in the Deakin University Strategic Plan, and must share the University's values.

You will be a person who is ambitious for Deakin University's success and optimistic about its future; and will display diligence, have great resolve and a focus on producing results.

SELECTION CONSIDERATIONS

Qualifications and Experience:
- Tertiary degree in a computer-related discipline or a degree in another discipline plus a postgraduate qualification in information technology or related discipline, as well as extensive relevant experience
- Enterprise architecture and strategic management approaches and methodologies
- Working within a large scale and complex service management structure
- Demonstrated leadership
- Conversant on a broad range of current technological and business issues
- Significant experience working within the information technology industry
- Demonstrated experience in project methodology
- TOGAF *Desirable*
- Archimate *Desirable*
- Experience within the Higher Education sector *Desirable*

Capabilities and Personal Attributes:
- Demonstrated ability to develop collaborative work teams
- Be an effective leader in a multi-team, multi-disciplinary environment
- Be a visionary and have demonstrable experience in building consensus among diverse technical and business viewpoints
- Excellent formal communications, written and verbal
- Developing and managing self and others; able to enhance skills and performance in the context of the University
- Must have a proven track record in maintaining excellent inter-personal relations at all levels
- Quality approach to organisational and project management
- Commitment to identifying technological aspects associated with social trends *Desirable*

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Working With Children Check (refer to Recruitment Procedure)

DISCLAIMER

It is not the intention of the position description to limit the scope or accountabilities of the position but to highlight the most important aspects of the position. The aspects mentioned above may be altered in accordance with the changing requirements of the role.