

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Details on the qualifications, experience, skills, knowledge and abilities that are needed to fulfil this role are set out below.

Job Title: Head of Business Improvement Department: Strategic Planning

	Essential	Desirable	Tested by	
			Application Form/Interview/Test	
Knowledge, Education, Qualifications and Training				
Educated to degree level and/or relevant professional qualification, or substantial relevant experience	√		Application Form	
Relevant training/qualification in change management / process improvement		✓	Application Form	
Skills and Abilities				
Excellent interpersonal skills with proven success in developing effective working relationships with senior colleagues and at all levels within the organisation, contributing to discussion and decision making	√		Interview	
Highly effective influencing skills to support teams through change and ensure adoption of new approaches	√		Application Form/ Interview	
Strong leadership and management skills, demonstrating effective decision making	✓		Interview	
Facilitation skills with experience of bringing together cross-functional groups to identify requirements and opportunities		√	Interview	
Experience				
Significant track record of re-engineering business processes and driving adoption across complex organisations	√		Application Form / Interview	
Experience in developing an effective Business Analysis function to support process change and project delivery across complex organisations		√	Application Form / Interview	
Experience of coordinating and implementing continuous improvement processes in a large, complex organisation	√		Application Form / Interview	
Extensive experience in delivering IT enabled change especially for business functions	√		Application Form / Interview	
Experience of managing and developing people at a range of levels including working in a matrix	✓		Application Form / Interview	

organisation, leading teams, line management and working with senior stakeholders				
Experience of implementing business process streamlining methodologies (e.g. Lean, Six Sigma, other)		√	Application Form / Interview	
Other requirements				
Excellent understanding of the key challenges facing the HE sector and the impact of these on Royal Holloway	√		Interview	