# haysmacintyre

# **Job Description**

Job Title: Trainee Chartered Accountant

Grade: Semi-Senior

**Department:** Audit

**Reporting To:** Supervisors and Audit Managers

**Based:** London – Travel to client locations throughout the UK will be necessary **Contractual Hours:** Standard 9:30am to 5:30pm Monday to Friday, although times may vary

depending on the client's needs

#### About the firm

haysmacintyre is an award-winning firm of chartered accountants and tax advisors, with almost 40 partners and over 500 staff, providing advice and services to entrepreneurs, fast-growing and owner-managed businesses, charities and not for profit organisations across the UK and internationally. From our trainees to our partners, our culture of support and progression means we grow together as one firm to best help our clients.

We are a top 30 UK accountancy firm, a leading member of MSI Global Alliance, and advisers to some of the UK's most exciting businesses and charities. Our team of over 500 people all work together in our modern offices located in London and Cape Town.

# The role and responsibilities

You are our future; so, we want to give you the best opportunity to partner with us and grow!

At haysmacintyre, Audit is about more than just reviewing financial records and a company's control environment. It has a true societal impact and purpose – aiming to provide solutions to our clients and adopting an added value approach. We have clients across the UK where you will have the opportunity to gain exposure to different environments and projects.

As an Audit Semi-Senior, you will have had experience of leading small audits from the planning stage right through to the completion stage including supervising junior members of staff within your audit team and be in the process of studying for the professional stage of the ACA qualification or ACCA equivalent. This role will be client facing, where you will need to show willingness to work as part of a team and be able to meet deadlines, as well as travel to clients' premises and work around clients' working hours as necessary.

Joining as a Semi-Senior, you will have access to personal development programmes and high-quality training whilst continuing to work towards your ACA/ACCA professional qualification,



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- We trust one another.
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alongside mentoring and support from peers and leaders alike. You will be assigned a line manager and a buddy from day one to support your career and development, and help you transition into working at haysmacintyre.

We host events so you can socialise with your colleagues outside of work, and network with other people at haysmacintyre. From our Summer sports day party to events organised by our Connect committee such as cycling at the velodrome, puppy yoga and pottery painting, we pride ourselves on making time for one another.

We give you the opportunity to support local communities through our Corporate Social Responsibility ("CSR") programme. We highly value supporting local causes, and we welcome and encourage our staff to participate in charity events and fundraising they are interested in.

As a firm, we are committed to environmental and sustainability initiatives. We demonstrate this commitment through several schemes, such as implementing energy-efficient practices and technologies throughout our operations. We also encourage everyone to play their part in the office, promoting recycling, reusing materials and reducing the amount of paper used in day-to-day operations.

We are looking for candidates who want to advance their career in Audit by being exposed to a wide range of UK and international clients. Our firm values are very important to us, and we are seeking candidates who equally value these. You will be motivated by having hands on experience working with clients, as well as collaborating with Seniors, Managers, Directors and Partners across the firm. In return, we offer a supportive environment whereby working together with you, we can propel your personal and professional development for a successful career in Audit at haysmacintyre.

Responsibilities are generalised and are in no way exhaustive:

- Carry out audits using a bespoke risk-based audit approach;
- Act as assistant or middle person on larger clients, completing relevant sections of the audit file as discussed and agreed at the planning meeting;
- On some of our smaller clients, you will act as senior reporting directly to the manager. For these audits, the individual would be responsible for the planning of the audit file right through to the completion sections including drafting the financial statements, the management letter and the letter of representation;
- Supervise and effectively delegate work to less experienced members of the audit team as agreed by the senior;
- Communicate with the audit senior regularly on the audit and make recommendations to them on how our clients can improve their accounting systems and controls;



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- Appraise less experienced members of the audit team following completion of the jobs worked on with them;
- Work between the office and client premises, with the ability to work from home where agreed;
- You may be required to stay away when visiting a client premises.

# **Person Specification**

- Flexible work attitude, pro-active team player;
- Ability to work well under pressure and adhere to tight deadlines;
- Able to learn and pick things up fast;
- Familiar with and have an awareness of the laws and regulations that apply to accounting and audit and are required to ensure compliance;
- Good interpersonal skills;
- Good telephone manner and communication skills.

# **Work Based Competencies**

- Studying towards the ACA or ACCA qualification;
- Proficient in using Microsoft Excel, Word and Outlook;
- Experience of data analytics tools.

Everyone is welcome to apply for our roles, and we are determined to ensure that no applicant or employee receives less favourable treatment because of gender, race, disability, sexual orientation, religion, belief, age, marital status, background, pregnancy, or caring responsibilities.

We also recognise the importance of diversity of thought within our teams and are fully committed to embracing the talents of people with autism, dyslexia, ADHD, and other forms of neurocognitive variation.

We will always seek to make appropriate adjustments to recruitment, workplaces, and work processes to be fully inclusive to people with different needs and working styles.

If you need us to make any reasonable adjustments for you from application onwards, please email recruitment@haysmacintyre.com



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