

## Manager, Strategic Sourcing

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The University of Saskatchewan values diversity, and Indigenous engagement is a strategic priority.

**Primary Purpose:** The Manager, Strategic Sourcing, is a key member of the Enterprise Procurement team and leads the strategic sourcing component of the University of Saskatchewan's (USask) procurement and material management functional central office. Under USask's shared services operating model, this office is responsible for the development of policy and guidelines for the full procurement process (source to settle), material management, and travel & expense activities. The successful candidate will oversee the university's Category Specialists as they develop strategies to deliver best value to this institution and reviews institutional practices to identify opportunities for increased efficiencies or savings. As a senior procurement leader on campus, this position is expected to provide mentoring and guidance to other members of the procurement team across the organization and to act as an ambassador for procurement with our partners.

**Nature of Work:** USask spends approximately \$300M+ on a wide range of contracted goods, services, and construction. It operates a hybrid procurement model that is center-led for transactions below \$10K and fully centralized for transactions above that threshold. As a Municipal, Academic, School, and Hospital (MASH) sector organization, the university is subject to a number of trade agreements that govern its procurement operations.

Working in a team environment, the Manager, Strategic Sourcing, is responsible for the oversight of the university's procurement and material management functions and leading the organization to adopt best practices in strategic sourcing to maximize the value of the university's spend. This position oversees a small team of Category Specialists in the development of campus-wide category strategies, develops and updates policies and guidelines, exercises contract signing authority, and coaches/mentors members of the procurement team.

The Manager, Strategic Sourcing is expected to foster close working relationships with the procurement community on campus, and to support their operations through the provision of expert advice and guidance, including the development of tools to enhance our value to our partners. This position is expected to cultivate relationships across campus and with all levels of the organization to champion the function and its continuous evolution. They are expected to stay current with trends in industry, identify opportunities for improvements in university practices and lead the implementation of change.

The Manager, Strategic Sourcing is expected to lead the development of the university's procurement planning framework, category management framework, procurement data & analytics support model, material management framework, and other initiatives that arise related to the role.

The Manager, Strategic Sourcing oversees the university's main stores operation, and a small team of procurement staff supporting our Facilities and IT organizations.

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