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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Finance Business Analyst with 6+ years of enterprise technology delivery experience supporting financial planning and analysis by gathering business requirements, analyzing cost and operational data, and preparing reports that inform strategic decisions. Experienced assisting with analyzing financial data to identify trends, variances, and cost-saving opportunities, supporting budget and forecast preparation, and creating financial reports and presentations. Proficient in SAP, Power BI, Excel, Business Objects, SQL, and data analysis with strong focus on financial efficiency and compliance.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Financial Analysis: Financial Planning, Budgeting, Forecasting, Variance Analysis, Cost Analysis, Financial Modeling, ROI Analysis, KPI Tracking

Data & Tools: SAP, Power BI, Excel, Business Objects, SQL, OneStream, CoreStream, Ariba, Blackline

Business Analysis: Requirements Gathering, Business Requirements, Data Analysis, Process Improvement, Stakeholder Management

Domain: Finance, Accounting, Manufacturing, Mining, SOX Controls, Financial Regulations

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Finance Business Analyst / SDET

Jan 2025 – Present

Accenture

USA

- Support financial planning and analysis by gathering business requirements, analyzing cost and operational data, and preparing reports that inform strategic decisions for enterprise clients across manufacturing and industrial sectors.
- Assist with analyzing financial data and existing processes to identify trends, variances, and cost-saving opportunities, monitoring and analyzing departmental costs related to equipment, labor, materials, and more.
- Support preparation of company budgets and forecasts, assisting communication between business stakeholders and technical teams while creating detailed financial reports and presentations for management.
- Analyze large production, sales, and expense datasets to support decision-making, supporting efforts to maintain compliance with applicable financial regulations, standards, and internal policies.
- Work closely with operations, procurement, and other departments to gather data and develop financial insights, supporting accounting activities including journal entries, account reconciliations, variance analysis, and financial statement review.
- Utilize SAP, Power BI, Excel, and Business Objects to perform financial analysis and reporting, ensuring accuracy and alignment with established principles.

IT Business Analyst / QA Engineer

Oct 2019 – July 2023

HCLTech

India

- Performed financial and business analysis for enterprise clients, gathering business requirements and analyzing operational data to support strategic decision-making and financial planning.
- Assisted with budget and forecast preparation, analyzing financial data to identify trends, variances, and cost-saving opportunities across business operations.
- Created financial reports and presentations for management, communicating analysis results and recommendations to stakeholders.
- Supported accounting activities including journal entries, account reconciliations, and variance analysis, ensuring accuracy and compliance with financial regulations.
- Utilized SAP, Excel, and data analysis tools to analyze production, sales, and expense datasets, supporting data-driven decision-making.
- Collaborated with operations, procurement, and other departments to gather data and develop financial insights for process improvement and cost optimization.

PROJECTS

Financial Performance Analysis | SAP, Power BI, Excel

- Analyzed operational and financial data to identify cost-saving opportunities and trends, supporting budget and forecast preparation with data-driven insights.
- Developed financial reports and presentations for management, communicating analysis results and recommendations for process improvement.

EDUCATION

Sacred Heart University

MS in Computer Science and Engineering

GPA: 3.69 / 4.0