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Qualifications

2001 - 2004 Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Economics

Double degree with majors in Economics and Chemistry Australian National University

Career Overview

I am an experienced analytics professional with over ten years experience in analytics, predictive modeling and data mining. My expertise lies in the detailed analysis of large data sets, the design and construction of predictive models, and the clear and concise presentation and communication of complex analytics topics.

Key Skills

- Experienced and effective team leader and project manager
- Ability to clearly and concisely communicate complex topics to a range of audiences
- Strong analytical skills and an ability to evaluate, manipulate and summarize large data sets
- Extensive experience in Structured Query Language (SQL) using both Teradata and SQL Server
- Advanced user of Microsoft Excel and other Office products
- · Experience programming in R and Perl

Career History

Senior Associate
Deloitte FAS LLP, FAS Analytics

January 2013 - February 2015

During my time at Deloitte, I was involved in a number of projects covering a wide range of subject matters including securities trading, foreign exchange, application development and risk management for corporate fraud, waste and abuse. On the strength of my early contributions I was quickly moved into managerial positions on all major projects (duration longer than 2 months) that I was involved in.

Responsibilities

- Leading teams and managing projects in a range of project environments
- Quickly getting up to speed on new subject matters and project structures
- Liaising with senior executives, both internal and external, for a variety of purposes including requirements gathering, reporting of results, workshops and presentations
- Writing and quality assuring complex SQL queries, procedures, functions and triggers on a SQL server platform
- Preparing, editing and quality assuring deliverables and documentation to be provided to clients

Achievements

- Client satisfaction with the high standard of work being produced by a team I was leading on a project at a major Wall Street bank directly led to an additional US\$2 million project
- I received Applause Awards (monetary awards provided in recognition of outstanding effort) for all major projects I was involved in at Deloitte

Executive Level 1/ Acting Executive Level 2 - Senior Business Analyst Revenue Analysis Branch (RAB), Australian Taxation Office (ATO)

December 2004 - January 2013

The role of RAB is monitoring, analyzing and forecasting the various tax revenue streams collected by the Australian Government. RAB is also responsible for estimating the impact of proposed policy changes and/or risks to those revenue streams, by producing policy costings. Advice from RAB on forecasts feeds directly into the official Treasury forecasts provided to the Australian Government. Policy costings produced by RAB are often used as the Government's official costings, subject to Treasury's quality assurance.

Responsibilities

- Monitoring and analyzing company tax revenue collections to identify underlying patterns, trends, indicators and/or other information
- Forecasting of company tax revenues using various sources of data and forecasting techniques
- Extracting data from a Teradata Data Warehouse environment using SQL
- Matching, cleaning, processing and analyzing extracted data using Excel based tools such as pivot tables, array functions and lookups, a variety of charts and plots, attribute construction, categorization and regression
- Writing reports for senior ATO and Treasury officials on a monthly basis, detailing the status of tax collections, as well as highlighting any changes or information that may impact on future collections
- Supervising, mentoring and guiding junior staff members undertaking forecasting, analytical and monitoring roles for other taxation revenue streams
- Representing the team and RAB in meetings with senior executives from the ATO, the Treasury and on several occasions, foreign delegates
- Acting as the EL2 manager of the team (typically 8-10 people) which required me to direct avenues of enquiry and analysis, drive model development, provide quality assurance, and sign-off on any work completed

Achievements

- I was promoted four times in my first three years from entry level to Executive Level 1.
- In 2008, I received the Commissioner's Award for innovation. This award is typically given to one or two people each year out of the 24,000+ employees working for the ATO. I received this award for two pieces of work:
 - I designed, built and implemented an electronic filing system and integrated work tracker for the policy teams in RAB that greatly simplified the record keeping process and allowed, through a macro, users to directly access work folders from the work register
 - I designed and built a company tax timing model which allowed policy analysts to quickly and accurately convert the revenue impacts of policies affecting company tax collections from an income year basis to a cash basis by modeling the complex Australian system of substituted accounting periods, company tax installments and balancing payments/refunds

Other Information

- I am a dual national with both Spanish (EU) and Australian passports
- Before leaving Australia in 2013 I completed several post-graduate level courses at the Australian National University. This included receiving a High Distinction (90/100) for a Masters level course - Algorithms for Data Mining, and distinctions for two post-graduate Economics courses.