

**Equal Education is excited to fill the following vacancy!**

**SENIOR MANAGER: FUNDRAISING AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Report to**: General Secretary

**Level**: Senior level

**Location**: Khayelitsha, Cape Town

**Start date:** 1 September preferable

**Duration**: Permanent Position

**Salary range**: R510,000 - R564,000 total cost to company per annum

**Closing date:** 29 July 2022

# About Equal Education

Equal Education (EE) is a movement of learners, post-school youth, parents, teachers, and community members striving for quality and equality in South African education through analysis and activism. Equal Education is organised in five provinces: Eastern Cape, Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, Limpopo, and the Western Cape. EE provides a unique space for young people to engage together on important political topics and lead education campaigns, attracting around 5 000 learners every year from 150 rural and urban schools.

Our principles for a safe and welcoming workplace aim to create an environment that enables growth, is inclusive and safe for all who pass through the organisation.

# About the position

The Senior Manager: Fundraising and Communications will lead Equal Education (EE’s) fundraising work and provide strategic oversight to EE’s public communications. This role will be supported by a Head of Communications, and a Communications Officer. This is a Senior Management position, and therefore requires involvement in key strategic decisions for the organisation.

# Key responsibilities

* Ensure EE’s three year fundraising strategy is updated and implemented.
* Lead the annual fundraising planning process and develop effective strategies for achieving targets.
* Develop new donor relationships and maintain existing ones. This includes writing proposals and reports, arranging meetings and presentations and generally managing relationships.
* Led by the General Secretary and the Deputy General Secretary, support the development of EE’s medium and long-term strategies.
* Together with the Finance Manager, enhance EE’s endowment contributions and explore opportunities for institutional sustainability.
* Together with the Finance Manager, ensure that budgets are cost-effective and realistic and aligned with organisational fundraising and other planning.
* Alongside the Head of Communications, update and implement EE’s overall communications strategy, in line with EE’s mission and 2023 - 2028 vision.
* Ensure that the Communications Department effectively fulfils the role of custodian of EE’s brand and reputation.
* Staff management: Manage the Communications Department, including a Head of Communications and a Communications Officer. Manage the staff members supporting fundraising and monitoring and evaluation. Manage team members’ workloads and oversee performance processes.
* Alongside the Head of Communications, lead on developing any crisis communications strategy necessary.
* Together with the Senior Manager: Operations, design and implement adequate indicators, surveys and monitoring tools for the evaluation of programmes and campaigns.
* As an SMT member, play a proactive role in organisational strategic planning, organisational development, advising members of the SMT on the viability of funds , attending finance related meetings to give advice and report on fundraising matters.

# Qualifications, skills and competencies

* A university degree – preferably at postgraduate level in communications or other relevant field;
* Three years management experience, preferably at senior management level;
* Experience with drafting donor proposals and reports;
* Experience with developing communications strategy, with an emphasis on media advocacy and digital marketing
* Experience with drafting communications outputs such as media statements and publications such as annual reports;
* Excellent written and spoken communication skills;
* Understanding of budget processes.
* Monitoring and evaluation experience is beneficial.
* Fully computer literate.
* A valid driver’s licence.

Candidates must be willing to travel. Successful candidates must have a strong commitment to democracy, equality, social justice and human rights; be committed to strengthening the education system in South Africa and to investing time and energy to address the inequality that affects so many of our youth.

**Application process**

**Please send your application(motivation letter & updated CV) to annelie@maraisbutton.co.za**

* You should motivate specifically for this position you are applying for and also detail your interest and suitability to work at EE. Generic cover letters are strongly advised against.
* Please include contact details of 3 work-related referees
* Contact will only be made with shortlisted candidates