Today's Supply Management Superstar

— Part — Superstar



Feels comfortable whether working in Omaha or Osaka. The superstar professional understands today's global business environment and welcomes the diverse business climate.



RESOURCEFUL

Uses cutting-edge technology or the latest analytical data to find solutions to perplexing supply management challenges. Doesn't hesitate to turn to peers, managers or top leaders in the quest for answers.



LIFELONG LEARNER

Continues to improve skills and overall knowledge through master's programs or supply management certifications because 'good enough' is just not good enough for today's superstar.



RISING SUPPLY CHAIN



BUILDER

Strives to build solid relationships among suppliers, supply management practitioners and internal business partners because they know the value of strong partnerships.





Looks for creative, cutting-edge ways to improve the organization's bottom line, whether through cost savings or cost avoidance. Targeting savings opportunities is the hallmark of a superstar.



RISK MANAGER

Understands that risk lurks behind every link in the supply chain. Constantly strives to minimize, manage and mitigate risk through innovative risk solutions.



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FINDING BALANCE

Knows that work/life balance is the key to a successful and healthy supply management career, and able to find that sweet spot, so career and family life share center stage.



Welcomes the opportunity for a new challenge, creative learning experience or chance to search for solutions as part of a team because the spirit of competition never fades.



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— Part — Practitioner



Enjoys working with others, knowing that teamwork is the secret sauce in making supply management projects successful.



RESULTS-DRIVEN

Focuses on delivering innovative solutions and bottom-line savings because getting results is what it's all about.



Knows how important sourcing is to a value-driven supply chain organization, which is why today's superstar focuses on issues ranging from developing approved supplier lists to auditing performance.

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PASSIONATE

Tackles every project with a passion and enthusiasm to deliver results and positively affect the supply chain and the organization's bottom line.



SHINING EXAMPLE

Shares experiences, time and knowledge with college students and other young professionals, never losing sight of the impact mentors had on their early careers.



Never hesitates to deeply examine any problem by conducting extensive research, using data analytics, asking questions and challenging the status quo.



RISING SUPPLY CHAIN



Understands the importance of competent leadership, learning from top managers in their organizations as they strive to one day take over the reins of leadership.

CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVING

Seeks to improve supply management processes and procedures to make the supply chain more efficient and effective because the superstar is never satisfied with the status quo.



Uses technology with ease and comfort, allowing a deep and thorough analysis of supply chain issues ranging from inventory management to spend visibility.