

60-SECOND INTERVIEW



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How did you get into treasury?

I was working for NSG in a project role when an opportunity to join the treasury department came up. It was an easy decision to make and the chance to study for the AMCT was part of the appeal.

What do you like about treasury?

There is a lot to like about treasury, but I think part of the appeal is that from the outside, treasury has a little bit of mystery around it.

What's the best thing about being a treasurer?

There's rarely a dull moment.

What's the best thing about being a member of the ACT?

It means being part of an established community. I think a career in treasury would be much more difficult in isolation.

Which ACT qualifications do you hold?

For example, AMCT/MCT/CertITM

AMCT.

How has your qualification benefited you in your career so far?

There's clearly a need to have both formal and on-the-job training in treasury. It's also nice to hold a recognised qualification.

What's the most unusual responsibility that you have as a treasurer?

There are lots of opportunities in treasury to use new technology for various benefits; sometimes this means delving right into the systems, which I quite enjoy.

What's the most important lesson that you've learned during your career?

Even if I think I fully understand something, there can be another angle I'll only discover by speaking to someone with different experience.

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TRAINING, EVENTS & WEBINARS

TRAINING COURSE DATES

21 March, London

Treasury in a day

A one-day introduction aimed at anyone new to treasury, looking to broaden their understanding of the function, or who wants to improve their ability to have better conversations with management, operations, banks or with treasurers as customers. You will learn about the role of a treasurer within the context of business, and you will be introduced to key treasury concepts and financial instruments commonly used.

22 March, London

Working capital optimisation

Understand why working capital management is vital for the generation of sustainable cash flow and survival of all companies. You will gain an appreciation of the techniques that can be employed to manage working capital and improve efficiencies within the supply chain. The course deals with the basic principles within payables, inventory and receivables management, and explores reporting implications for both smaller companies and larger enterprises.

23 March, London

Cash forecasting fundamentals

Join us on this interactive course where you will learn how to review or completely redesign your cash forecast framework and processes. Don't miss this great opportunity to broaden your understanding of the fundamentals of cash forecasting.

With increasing market volatility and business change, and access to financing harder and more expensive, organisations should focus on improved cash forecasting, to reduce unexpected and potentially costly surprises. Learn a 'best fit' methodology for assessing/designing an appropriate forecast environment for your organisation.

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Develop an in-depth understanding of the basic principles and practices of cash and liquidity management, its importance to the business and to the treasury function at this one-day introduction to cash management. The programme examines the basic building blocks of cash management from the domestic perspective and, through a series of case studies, extends these basic principles to tackling the complexities of international cash management.

26-27 April, London

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www.treasurers.org/cashmanagement



29 March 2017, Düsseldorf, Germany

ACT Europe Conference

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www.treasurers.org/europe 16-17 May 2017, Manchester

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