Job Description

Job Title: Investment Analyst – High Yield Credit Reports To: Portfolio Manager – High Yield Credit Department: Fixed Income Division: Investments

Target Salary Range: \$87,568 - \$109,470.40 / annually with opportunity to participate in the OPERS Incentive Compensation Program Number of Openings: 1 FLSA Status: Exempt Accepting Applications Internally: Yes Accepting Applications Externally: Yes

Please read the <u>OPERS Personal Trading Policy</u> prior to applying. All applicants must be able to abide by the policy in order to be considered for employment.

SUMMARY: This position will perform fundamental industry and company analysis on assigned sectors in order to develop and maintain sound investment opinions concerning areas of responsibility. The analyst will monitor securities held in the High Yield Portfolio and make purchase and sale recommendations to the High Yield Portfolio Manager.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- 1. Conducts thorough research of issuers in assigned sectors to understand key drivers of performance and risk.
- 2. Maintains sound investment opinions of relative valuations of securities and assigned sectors.
- 3. Monitors performance and risk of securities in assigned sectors.
- 4. Develops tools and processes to analyze individual securities or portfolios.
- 5. Assists the High Yield Portfolio Manager with sector allocation decisions based on relative value assessment of assigned sectors.
- 6. Maintains positive relationships with company management, rating agencies, sell-side analysts, and other key contacts to evaluate current and future company performance.
- 7. Attends industry and/or company due diligence meetings, if warranted.
- 8. Specializes in covered sectors, providing industry expertise to others within the Fixed Income department.
- 9. Builds and maintains working relationships with other investment professionals in the Investment Division to share ideas and information on industries and companies jointly covered.
- 10. Performs other duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS*

Education

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

| High school diploma or GED | • 🛛 Required |
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| Bachelor's degree in related field | • 🛛 Required |
| Master's Degree | Preferred |

Qualifications

| Strong organizational skills | Required |
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| Ability to work independently with minimal direction | • 🛛 Required |
| Ability to react quickly in stressful situations | • 🛛 Required |
| Ability to effectively corroborate in group | • 🛛 Required |

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| Ability to troubleshoot and problem solve independently with limited standardization | • 🔀 Required |
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Experience

| Minimum 3 years of investment experience | • 🛛 Required |
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| Intermediate to advance knowledge of MS Windows operating system; MS Word; MS Excel, Internet Web Browsers (e.g. Edge or Chrome) and MS Outlook (internal email systems) | • 🛛 Required |
| Bloomberg experience | • 🛛 Required |

Certifications/Licenses

| Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) or progress | Preferred |
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| towards completion strongly desired | |
| Registration and licensure with the State of Ohio | • 🛛 Required |
| Security Commission. Within six months of hire, | |
| the candidate must meet the eligibility | |
| requirements to be licensed as a State | |
| Retirement System Investment Officer (SRSIO), | |
| which requires either: | |
| 1. Having achieved a passing scored on one of | |
| the following: | |
| a. Series 63 exam administered by the | |
| Financial Industry Regulatory | |
| Authority (FINRA) | |
| b. Series 65 | |
| c. Series 66 | |
| d. Level One of the Chartered Financial | |
| Analyst designation, or | |
| 2. Earning and being in good standing with the | |
| organization that issues any of the following | |
| credentials: | |
| a. Chartered Financial Analyst | |
| b. Chartered Financial Consultant, | |
| c. Chartered Investment Counselor | |
| d. Certified Public Accountant with a | |
| personal financial specialist | es Retirement System |
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Physical Requirements* (if applicable)

*Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disability to perform the essential functions. If repetitive physical movement is required to perform the essential functions of the position, please discuss with HR.

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