

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lecturer in Economics, Leeds University Business School



Salary: Grade 8 (£40,792 – £48,677 p.a.) Reference: LUBSC1327 Closing date: 26 September 2018

We will consider job share and flexible working arrangements

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Are you an academic with proven abilities to carry out teaching and research in Economics? Do you have an excellent research record and a potential to establish an international reputation? Are you passionate about delivering an exceptional student experience in a research-intensive Russell Group University?

We are looking for an outstanding candidate to join the Economics Division of Leeds University Business School during an exciting phase in our development. Our highly popular and vibrant teaching programmes are expanding whilst our research activities continue to grow. The Division's strong research focus supports our leadership and membership of several high-profile, large-scale research initiatives including projects in the areas of financialisation, infrastructure provision, and the Cities research theme launched by the University of Leeds. The Division is connected via teaching and research to other faculties at the University of Leeds and is pursuing a distinctive and high-impact interdisciplinary agenda.

With an active research agenda, you will have experience of collaborative work, the ability to obtain research funding and be able to contribute to the research of the Division. You will also be an engaging and effective teacher, able to contribute modules in the core theoretical and applied areas of economics and to attract and supervise PhD students successfully. The ability to contribute in the areas of the Division's large-scale projects and impact initiatives would also be welcomed.

Though open to candidates with interests in all area of Economics, we would particularly welcome applicants with expertise in the area of applied econometrics.

What does the role entail?

As a Lecturer in Economics your main duties will include:

- Being actively involved in research, innovation and impact at a national and international level as well as contributing to activity within the Economics Division;
- Maintaining a record of high quality publications of national and international standing;



- Promoting the integration of your own research area with other research interests within and, as appropriate, outside the Division;
- Providing research supervision and helping to attract students to the University;
- Undertaking research-led teaching at different levels, including assessment and examinations, leading module design, and contributing towards review and quality assurance mechanisms;
- Providing support and guidance to students, providing timely feedback, resolving issues and/or referring to specialist parties, where appropriate;
- Contributing effectively to the administrative processes and committee structures of the Division and Faculty including taking on leadership roles and managing initiatives which facilitate Divisional, Faculty or University performance or business.

These duties provide a framework for the role and should not be regarded as a definitive list. Other reasonable duties may be required consistent with the grade of the post.

What will you bring to the role?

As a Lecturer in Economics you will have:

- A PhD in Economics;
- A track record of research outputs commensurate with career and further outputs planned and in prospect;
- A track record of publications in refereed journals commensurate with a 3 or 4 star rating as defined by the REF and as evidenced by metrics such as the Association of Business Schools journal quality list, the FT45 list or other equivalent source;
- The ability to contribute to and develop collaborative research projects within and beyond the Division, including interdisciplinary research;
- A successful record of obtaining external research funding with the potential to obtain further funding in the future, or clear plans for the pursuit of grant income;
- The ability to teach in the area of applied econometrics, and to contribute positively to curriculum and programme review and design;



- A proven record of teaching in a University environment, with an enthusiastic approach to teaching Economics and the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience;
- Experience of proactively developing new and innovative teaching approaches and materials in the area of Economics;
- Exceptional communication skills with the ability to collaborate with peers and inspire your research colleagues;
- The ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures, including managing resources and/or staff.

You may also have:

- Experience of postgraduate student supervision;
- Experience of programme/academic leadership;

How to apply

You can apply for this role online; more guidance can be found on our <u>How to Apply</u> information page. Applications should be submitted by **23.59** (UK time) on the advertised <u>closing date.</u>

Contact information

To explore the post further or for any queries you may have, please contact:

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Additional information

The Economics Division represents and professes a realistic and policy-relevant economics that seeks to address and resolve real-world challenges through high-impact research and research-led teaching. It promotes understanding of a distinctively broad range of perspectives within the economics discipline and engages flexibly with other disciplines – business-related, social sciences, and



STEM – in order to solve complex real-world problems and to lead large-scale interdisciplinary research projects.

The Economics Division, which has close to 30 faculty members, is experiencing an expansion in both its teaching and research activity. This post will support the continuation of high quality delivery in these two key areas.

The Division provides a number of highly popular undergraduate programmes in Economics, Business Economics and Economics and Finance as well as supporting a full range of joint honours programmes and contributing economics modules for other programmes across the University. The quality of our provision is high. For example, we rank fourth among Russell Group universities (Guardian League Table, 2017) in terms of the quality of our economics teaching and student experience. The Economics Division also has dedicated MSc programmes in Economics and a large and vibrant community of PhD students.

The teaching duties of this post will contribute to delivery on the above programmes and will include both core theory and applied topics. We are particularly interested in candidates with teaching experience in the area of applied econometrics. We are seeking candidates with experience of leading modules in economics and who have a track record of delivery of high quality, innovative, challenging and inspiring teaching. The ability to supervise undergraduate and postgraduate research dissertations is also required. On research, we are looking for candidates who can complement and advance current research and research projects within the Division.

Working at Leeds

Find out more about the benefits of working at the University and what it is like to live and work in the Leeds area on our <u>Working at Leeds</u> information page.

Candidates with disabilities

Information for candidates with disabilities, impairments or health conditions, including requesting alternative formats, can be found on our <u>Accessibility</u> information page or by getting in touch with us at <u>disclosure@leeds.ac.uk</u>.



Criminal record information

Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974

A criminal record check is not required for this position. However, all applicants will be required to declare if they have any 'unspent' criminal offences, including those pending.

Any offer of appointment will be in accordance with our Criminal Records policy. You can find out more about required checks and declarations in our <u>Criminal Records</u> information page.

