

# **CANDIDATE BRIEF**

Leeds Loves Ambassadors STEM, Educational Engagement



Salary: Grade 3 (£9.72 per hour)

**Reference: SESAR1215** 

Please note that this role is only open to current University of Leeds undergraduate students.

# Leeds Loves Ambassadors STEM Educational Engagement, Student Education Service

Are you reliable, confident and passionate about your programme of study? Would you like to share your subject knowledge and enthusiasm for higher education with young learners?

The Educational Engagement team works with students aged 11-19 on inspirational, fun and interactive activities to raise awareness of, and aspirations towards, higher education. Our *Leeds Loves* project, now in its sixth year, is designed to make university-level study accessible and desirable to school and college pupils.

As a *Leeds Loves* STEM Ambassador, you will work as part of a highly motivated, professional team visiting schools and colleges to deliver presentations and answer questions about your degree specialism and your experience of studying at university. You may also support the delivery of subject-specific on-campus events for school pupils and their teachers.

We are recruiting STEM students from the following academic areas

\* Biosciences \* Chemistry \* Computer Science \* Engineering \*
Environmental & Earth Sciences \* Food Science & Nutrition \* Mathematics \*
Natural Sciences \* Physics & Astronomy \*

So if you love your course and life at university, why not tell future students about it!

You will be required to act as a positive ambassador for the University and higher education. You will work with young people from a range or backgrounds in varying audience sizes so you should possess strong communication and presentation skills. Work in this post is available throughout the academic year. Hours are designed to be flexible around your studies. The number of hours you work is dependent on your existing academic commitments and the activity requests we receive from schools/colleges.



## What does the role entail?

As a Leeds Loves STEM Ambassador your main duties will include:

- Developing and delivering presentations relating to your subject area and university life;
- Visiting a range of schools and colleges across the country to inspire young learners and promote interest in your area of study;
- Support on campus events for school pupils and teachers interested in your subject area, including campus tours and Q&A panels;
- Working collaboratively with other Leeds Loves Ambassadors and the Educational Engagement team;
- Providing general support for Educational Engagement as appropriate.

You will work to a fixed programme of activity and work alongside Educational Engagement teams to determine the most appropriate content to include in your sessions and the most suitable methods of delivery.

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

### Please note occasional weekend work may be required.

# What will you bring to the role?

As a *Leeds Loves* STEM Ambassador you will have/be:

- A current University of Leeds undergraduate undertaking studies in one of the following academic areas; Biosciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Environmental & Earth Sciences, Food Science & Nutrition, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Physics & Astronomy;
- A reliable, punctual and well organised individual;
- An ability to work effectively in a team and independently when necessary;
- Strong presentation skills with the ability to confidently deliver to a range of young people from diverse backgrounds;
- An interest in working with young people;
- A flexible approach to work and willing to travel to schools and colleges across
   West Yorkshire and potentially nationwide.



#### You may also have:

- Understanding of the issues and challenges young people may encounter at school and when progressing to Higher Education;
- Experience of working with young people in any capacity.

The University community is made up of a wide range of people with diverse backgrounds and circumstances, which we value and regard as a great asset. As part of our continued commitment to equality and inclusion we welcome applications from people of all backgrounds.

# How to apply

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

# **Contact information**

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

#### Adam Molzahn, STEM Administrator

Email: STEM@leeds.ac.uk

## Additional information

#### **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**

This post requires an enhanced and barred list criminal record check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS), and any equivalent overseas authorities where relevant. The successful candidate will be required to give consent for the University to check their criminal record status. All applicants are required to make a self-declaration where applicable.

Any offer of appointment will be subject to the University being satisfied with the outcome of these checks, 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.

