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## CANDIDATE BRIEF

Research Fellow in Health Economics,

School of Medicine, Leeds Institute of Health Sciences



**Salary: Grade 7 (£33,797– £40,322)**

**Reference: MHIHS1240**

**Closing date: 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020**

**Interviews are scheduled to take place on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

**Fixed-term for 3 years**

# Research Fellow in Health Economics

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**Are you an ambitious researcher looking for your next challenge? Do you have a background in health economics research? Do you want to further your career in one of the UK's leading research-intensive Universities?**

We are looking to appoint a Research Fellow in Health Economics to contribute to the research and teaching portfolio of the AUHE, Leeds Institute of Health Sciences and the Faculty of Medicine and Health. This post is available immediately. This is an exciting opportunity for a health economist to join a thriving health economic research team with a commitment to supporting and developing its members. We have a wide portfolio of funded research projects which provides the opportunity to gain experience in a broad range of health economic methods and their application and further develop your own areas of expertise and interests.

The post offers the chance to work across a range of funded projects, with particular focus on economics of ageing and economic evaluations of interventions aiming to improve the physical and mental health of older people living with frailty. The applicant will be based within the Academic Unit of Health Economics but will also work with researchers in Leeds Institute of Health Sciences and Bradford Institute for Health Research.

The successful applicant will have detailed understanding of quantitative methods, experience working with routinely collected and survey data and competence with statistical programming software. A background in health economics is desirable.

### **What does the role entail?**

As a Research Fellow your main duties will include:

- Leading on literature reviews of applied and/or theoretical literature.
- Managing study data and preparing it for analysis
- Leading on analyses and interpretation of research data
- Developing and applying appropriate methods of econometric and/or economic evaluation modelling
- Preparing initial drafts of reports



- Preparing results for publication in refereed journals
- Presenting findings of research in a range of suitable formats for a variety of audiences
- Generating research output and contribute to the generation of independent and original ideas, as appropriate
- Contributing to the design of a successful programme of investigation
- Assisting with any other duties of a similar nature that are delegated by senior staff members
- Liaising with health professionals within Leeds Institute of Health Sciences
- Contributing to the development of applied health and methodological research proposals
- Taking part in knowledge-transfer activities, where appropriate and feasible
- Contributing to the supervision of junior researchers, as appropriate
- Maintaining own continuing professional development and act as a mentor to less experienced colleagues, as appropriate
- Maintaining a safe work environment, including ensuring compliance with legislation and the undertaking of risk assessments
- Undertaking any other duties commensurate with the post as requested by the Director of Institute or nominees;

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 Research Fellow you will have:

- MSc in Health Economics, Economics, Econometrics or related discipline;
- Proficient understanding of quantitative methods;
- Evidence of previous applied health research experience;
- Experience working with routinely collected and/or survey data;
- Competence with statistical software programming;
- Proven ability to work not only within the team but also to work and think independently;
- Effective interpersonal, organisational skills and time management skills with the ability to prioritise work and maintain a high level of accuracy;
- Evidence of an ability to write to a standard required for research reports/publications;
- Excellent communication and presentation skills;



- Commitment to own continuous professional developments.

You may also have:

- Experience of carrying out systematic reviews;
- Experience of health economics research;
- Effective project management skills;
- Ability to contribute to teaching;
- Publications in refereed journals.

You will report to Dr Silviya Nikolova

## 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:

**Dr. Silviya Nikolova**

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Email: [s.k.nikolova@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:s.k.nikolova@leeds.ac.uk)

## Additional information

The Academic Unit of Health Economics (AUHE) is led by Professor Chris Bojke. The work on economics of ageing and economic evaluations of interventions aiming to improve the physical and mental health of older people living with frailty is led by Dr Silviya Nikolova. This work is a collaboration with the Academic Unit of Elderly Care & Rehabilitation (AUECR).



## **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 [Working at Leeds](#) information page.

### **Candidates with disabilities**

Information for candidates with disabilities, impairments or health conditions, including requesting alternative formats, can be found on our [Accessibility](#) information page or by getting in touch with us at [disclosure@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:disclosure@leeds.ac.uk).

## **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.

