



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lecturer in Philosophy and Religion, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures



Salary: Grades 8 (£41,526 -£49,553)

Reference: AH CPR1033

Closing date: 9 January 2020

Start date 1st August 2020

Flexible working arrangements will be considered for this post

Lecturer in Philosophy and Religion, School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures

Are you an academic with proven abilities to carry out research and teaching in some areas at the interface of Philosophy and Religion, with a competence in and a passion for interdisciplinary teaching? Do you have an excellent research record and a potential for establishing an international reputation? Are you passionate about delivering an exceptional student experience in a research-intensive Russell Group University? Would you like to join and contribute to the vibrant interdisciplinary School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science at the University of Leeds?

You will carry out research and teaching at the interface between philosophy, religion, and the liberal arts in a School that fully integrates philosophy, religion, and history of science. You will bring a demonstrable commitment to promoting diversity, equality and inclusion in your academic practice, and we welcome especially applications from candidates who will contribute to our efforts to diversify our staff body and decolonise our curriculum. We have particular teaching needs at the moment in the fields of moral philosophy; social and political philosophy; sociology of religion; philosophical and religious ideologies of gender and race.

You will be able to teach at all levels of our varied undergraduate programmes, and to provide dissertation supervision. You will also contribute to relevant MA programmes and supervise research students. You will have a PhD in Philosophy, Theology/Religious Studies or cognate discipline and relevant teaching experience. You will also contribute to the effective management of the School, Faculty and wider University.

What does the role entail?

As a Lecturer in Philosophy and Religion your main duties will include:

- Undertaking teaching at all levels of our taught programmes, including assessment and examinations and contributing towards module design, review and quality assurance mechanisms;



- Providing support and guidance to students, providing timely feedback, acting as a personal tutor, resolving issues and/or referring to specialist parties, where appropriate;
- Pursuing and maintaining a record of high quality publications and original research, of national and international standing, suitable for inclusion in the School's submissions to the Research Excellence Framework or other research assessment exercises;
- Providing research supervision and helping to attract students to the University;
- Attracting research income on an individual and collaborative basis where appropriate and feasible to underpin high quality research activity and support a developing research agenda;
- Promoting the integration of your own research area with other research interests within and, as appropriate, outside the School and Faculty;
- Leadership roles and the management of initiatives which facilitate School, Faculty or University performance or business.
- Contributing to one of the Research Centres within the School, as appropriate.
- Maintaining high standards of equality and inclusion practice in all areas of academic activity, in line with the institutional [Equality and Inclusion Framework](#).
- Active involvement in research, innovation and/or impact at a national and international level, as well as contributing to local School/Faculty activity;

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 Philosophy and Religion you will have:

- A PhD in Philosophy, Theology/Religious Studies or a relevant area of a cognate discipline;
- A track record of research outputs, including a strong portfolio of publications;
- A growing international reputation;
- A successful record of obtaining external research funding with the potential for obtaining further funding in the future;



- Ability to contribute to and develop collaborative research projects in a broad range of areas;
- Ability to contribute to one or more of the School's Research Centres;
- A proven record of teaching in a University environment with an enthusiastic approach to teaching and the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience;
- Experience of proactively developing new teaching and assessment approaches and materials;
- Exceptional communication skills with the ability to collaborate with peers;
- Good IT skills, including familiarity with programmes such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook (or equivalents) and the capacity to interact with a Virtual Learning Environment (VLE);
- The ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures;
- Excellent time-management skills;
- Demonstrable commitment to issues of equality and inclusion.

You may also have:

- Teaching competence and, ideally, teaching experience of value philosophy, broadly construed;
- Experience of developing/delivering content for interdisciplinary degree programmes within the arts and humanities;
- 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 [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:



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Additional information

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Find out more about our [Research and associated facilities](#)

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.

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 [Criminal Records](#) information page.

