



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

CANDIDATE BRIEF

**Lectureship in Black British History, School of History
Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures**



Salary: Grade 7 (£33,797 - £40,322) or Grade 8 (£41,526 – £49,553 p.a.)

Reference: AHCH1028

We anticipate the start date to be 1 January 2021 (start date negotiable)

We will consider flexible working arrangements

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Are you someone with proven abilities to carry out teaching and research in Black British History? 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?

The School of History at the University of Leeds brings together a dynamic group of people working on histories of race, ethnicity, empire and diasporic communities across a range of time periods and geographical regions. This breadth of expertise feeds into a diverse undergraduate curriculum, as well as thriving MA and PhD programmes. We furthermore engage actively with the local Leeds community with whom we have a fostered number of partnerships and collaborative projects. We are looking to appoint someone who enhances these existing research strengths and teaching interests.

As Lecturer, you will carry out research, teaching and management within the School, Faculty and University in any aspect of Black British History from the Early Modern to the contemporary period.

You will be able to teach at all levels of the undergraduate programme. You will take the lead in developing new and innovative teaching relating to your research expertise, which may include contributing to a team-taught module in Histories of Black Britain. You will also contribute to relevant MA programmes, which may include the MA in Race and Resistance, the MA in Modern History and the MA in Social and Cultural History. You will supervise research students. You will have a PhD or equivalent relevant experience in History or a cognate discipline, and relevant teaching experience.

We welcome applications from candidates working in any historical field, including cultural, economic, gender, intellectual, military, political, and social history, as well as transnational and interdisciplinary approaches.



What does the role entail?

As a Lecturer at **Grade 7**, your main duties will include:

- Undertaking teaching at all levels of the taught course programme, 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 publications 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 to 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;
- Contributing to the School's impact agenda, public engagement activities and widening participation initiatives;
- Contributing effectively to the administrative processes and committee structures of the School, Faculty and University.

As a Lecturer at **Grade 8**, your main duties will include:

- Undertaking research-led teaching at different levels, 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;
- Maintaining a record of high-quality publications of national and international standing;
- Providing research supervision and helping to attract students to the



University;

- Attracting research funding individually and collaboratively to underpin high quality research activity and research programmes/projects;
- Promoting the integration of your own research area with other research interests within and, as appropriate, outside the School and Faculty;
- Contributing to the School's impact agenda, public engagement activities and widening participation initiatives;
- Contributing effectively to the administrative processes and committee structures of the School/Faculty including taking on leadership roles and managing initiatives which facilitate School, Faculty or University performance or business
- Being actively involved in research, innovation and 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 you will have:

- A PhD in History or cognate discipline, or equivalent relevant experience;
- A track record of research outputs commensurate with career stage, with publications already completed and further outputs in prospect;
- The potential for establishing an international reputation and a clear plan for future work both for the next research excellence framework and for the pursuit of research grant income;
- Ability to contribute to and develop collaborative research projects in a broad range of areas;
- A proven record of teaching in a University environment, with an enthusiastic approach to teaching Black British History and the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience;
- Experience of proactively developing new teaching approaches and materials;
- The ability and/or willingness to develop and teach syllabuses that include subjects and historians often under-represented in the discipline and/or to



consider the needs of a diverse student body;

- Exceptional communication skills with the ability to collaborate with peers and inspire your research colleagues;
- Ability and/or willingness to develop impact, public engagement and widening participation activities, including fostering links with local, regional and national partners;
- Ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures, including managing resources and/or staff.

In addition for Lecturer **Grade 8**, you will have:

- A track record of research outputs, including a strong portfolio of publications for the next research excellence framework and will be establishing an international reputation;
- A successful record of obtaining external research funding with the potential for obtaining further funding in the future.

You may also have:

- Experience of postgraduate student supervision;
- Experience of programme/academic leadership;
- Evidence of having actively enhanced equalities and inclusion in your place of work;
- A relevant teaching qualification or a Higher Education Academy Fellowship.

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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For informal inquiries about the role, the Histories of Black Britain module, or the department, you can also contact:

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Additional information

Find out more about our [School](https://ahc.leeds.ac.uk/history).- <https://ahc.leeds.ac.uk/history>

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 [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.

Our commitment to inclusion

We welcome and encourage applications from all sections of the community. For this role we would particularly welcome applications from the BAME community, as this group is underrepresented within the School.

Prospective applicants are welcome to meet colleagues, virtually, via Microsoft Teams. For further information, or to arrange a virtual visit please contact Sarah Foster at history@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.

