



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

## CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lecturer in Knitting Design and Technology, School of Design, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures



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

**Reference: AHCDE1085**

**Full time, ongoing**

## **Lecturer in Knitting Design and Technology**

### **School of Design, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures**

**Are you an academic with proven abilities to carry out teaching and research in Knitting Design & Technology? Are you able to use your expertise to support or complement our existing strengths in Fashion and Textile Technology, Fashion Marketing/Management, Fashion Enterprise, and Fashion/Textile Design? The School has established a broad portfolio of Design-focused programmes and the successful candidate will be expected to not only contribute to postgraduate and undergraduate teaching but also shape the academic agenda.**

You will carry out research and teaching in varying aspects of Knitting Design and Technology and contribute to the effective management of the [School of Design](#), Faculty and wider University. The position will also focus on developing a strong network of engagement with the regional activities and centres.

You will join an experienced, innovative and diverse team to teach across our programmes, support module design, course leadership and student experience, as well as leading the development of research projects. In addition to establishing new research you will also be actively involved in producing high quality publications and contributing to the School's Research Excellence Framework (REF).

You will have a PhD in Knitting Design/Technology or related area and a developing record of research, commensurate with the level of the post and with a clear indication of the ability to achieve internationally recognised standards of excellence. You will be a committed teacher and outstanding communicator able to contribute to undergraduate and postgraduate taught study in the areas of knit design, knit technology and technical textiles, undergraduate teaching and administrative activities in Knitting. This appointment to a major role in a dynamic and growing School of Design offers considerable potential for personal initiative and fulfilment.

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

As a Lecturer in the field of Knitting Design & Technology, your main duties will include:



- Inspiring students through research-led teaching at all levels of our taught postgraduate and undergraduate programmes, including assessment and examinations and contributing towards module design, review and quality assurance mechanisms;
- Pursuing and maintaining a record of innovation in teaching, contributing to the Teaching Excellence Framework, achieving HEA accreditation;
- Pursuing and maintaining a record of high quality publications and original research publications of international standing suitable for inclusion in the School's submissions to the Research Excellence Framework (REF);
- Attracting high quality postgraduate research students to the University and providing them with excellent supervision which supports timely completion and subsequent employability;
- Providing support and guidance to students, providing timely feedback, acting as a personal tutor, resolving issues and/or referring to specialist parties, where appropriate;
- Contributing effectively to the administrative processes and committee structures of the School;
- Engaging with Knitting Design & Technology activities and building external partnerships.

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 the field of Knitting Design & Technology you will have:

- A PhD degree in Knitting Design/Technology or a related area, or close to completion;
- A developing track record of high quality research publications commensurate with career stage, with the potential to achieve the highest standards of research;
- A clear plan for future research projects and associated bidding plans;
- An understanding and interest in areas within Knitting Design & Technology and the broader Textile and Fashion disciplines;
- An ability to apply Knitting Design & Technology theory to solving commercial problems and objectives;



- A proven record of teaching in a University environment, with an enthusiastic and innovative approach to teaching and the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience;
- Experience of proactively developing new and innovative teaching and assessment approaches and materials;
- An ability to engage with commercial Knitting Design & Technology companies;
- The ability to work with a team of colleagues and to manage commitments in a timely and strategic manner;
- The ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures;
- Excellent communication and IT skills to support and enhance teaching and research.

You may also have:

- Experience of teaching international students;
- Module management experience;
- Experience of supervising Masters level Dissertations;
- Experience of supervising PhD students;
- Demonstrable experience of securing funding for research, commensurate with your career stage.

## 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:

**Professor Maria Lonsdale, Head of School**

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## 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](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. 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.

