



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lecturer in Fashion Design, School of Design, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures (1.0 FTE)



Salary: Grade 8 (£41,526 – £49,553 p.a.)

Reference: AHCDE1086

We will consider applications for flexible working and job-share

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Are you an academic with proven abilities to carry out teaching and research in Fashion Design? Are you able to use your expertise to support or complement our existing strengths in Fashion Design, Textile Design, Fashion Enterprise, Fashion Marketing/Management, and Fashion and Textile Technology?

We are looking to appoint a Lecturer in the field of Fashion Design at the level of 1.0 FTE, with the core purpose of the role to provide leadership in the development of the [School of Design](#) as a centre for both research and teaching in this area. The position will also focus on developing a strong network of engagement with the regional activities and centres. 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 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 Fashion Design 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 fashion design, creative design and digital design and teaching and administrative activities in general. 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 Fashion Design, 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;
- Promoting the discipline of Fashion Design and internationally winning prestige for both the discipline and the University. Representing the University externally, developing and maintaining networks and promoting links with Research Councils and external organisations;
- Pursuing and maintaining a record of high quality outputs and original research 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;
- Being actively involved in research, innovation and impact at a national and international level as well as contributing to local School/Faculty activity;
- Promoting the integration of your own research area with other research interests within, and, as appropriate, outside the School and Faculty;
- Attracting research funding to underpin high quality research activity and research programmes/projects;
- Being recognised as an authority in your field, developing and maintaining an external profile as appropriate to the discipline.
- 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, Faculty and University;
- Engaging with Fashion Design activities in general and building partnerships;
- Taking on leadership roles and managing initiatives which facilitate School, Faculty or University performance or business;

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 Fashion Design you will have:

- A PhD degree in Fashion Design;
- An understanding and interest in a broader range of areas within Fashion Design, such as Creative Innovation, Digital Design, Branding Design, Colour Design, Fashion Technology and Fashion Enterprise;
- A record of high quality research outputs commensurate with career stage, demonstrating the capability to produce world-leading research;
- A proven track record of being involved in securing significant funding for research and a clear plan for future bidding and funding opportunities;
- Experience of supervising PhD/Masters candidates and a strong commitment to supporting doctoral-level research;
- 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;
- Experience of developing external links with other leading research groups or centres and/or evidence of effective engagement with and influencing national and international research agendas;
- An ability to engage with external Fashion Design companies;
- Experience of proactively developing new and innovative teaching and assessment approaches and materials;
- 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;
- A proven record of working with cultural and creative organisations and of developing opportunities for collaboration in academic research, impact, consultancy and/or student internships or placements;
- Excellent communication and organisational skills, with the ability to work effectively with and within a team of colleagues and to manage commitments in a timely and highly strategic manner;
- Experience of teaching large groups of international postgraduate students.



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

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.

