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CANDIDATE BRIEF

Teaching Fellow in Environmental Policy and Governance, Faculty of Environment



Salary: Grade 7 (£34,304 – £40,927 p.a.)

Reference: ENVEE1584

Fixed-term until 31 August 2025 – due to teaching requirements

We are open to discussing flexible working arrangements

Teaching Fellow in Environmental Policy and Governance School of Earth and Environment, Faculty of Environment

Are you able to design and deliver high quality teaching for undergraduate and postgraduate taught courses? Can you contribute to pedagogic developments relating to learning and teaching?

The Sustainability Research Institute (SRI) is an internationally leading centre of excellence of research and teaching in the environmental social sciences. The School of Earth and Environment has a highly successful suite of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes on sustainability and environmental management and policy. We are looking for an enthusiastic and self-motivated social scientist, with expertise in environmental policy and governance and in quantitative and/or qualitative research methods, to join our team to contribute to teaching and scholarship at the highest level. We are particularly interested in recruiting a colleague, who is comfortable facing a wide range of teaching styles (online, lectures, small group, 1-1 supervision) and broad sustainability related topic areas.

You will lead seminars, workshops and give lectures across the sustainability suite of Undergraduate and Master programmes. This will include taught modules, field courses, quantitative and qualitative skills teaching and supervising research projects. In addition to teaching experience, you should have interdisciplinary research and/or practice background in the broad area of sustainability. The post requires an ability to supervise a broad range of sustainability related PGT dissertations.

What does the role entail?

As a Teaching Fellow in Environmental Policy and Governance your main duties will include:

- Providing inspirational teaching and wider student education which reflects professional standards and industry good practice;
- Supporting and delivering seminars, workshops and lectures on environmental policy and governance, quantitative and/or qualitative research skills and broader sustainability related topics, as well as field work on undergraduate and/or postgraduate taught courses;
- Contributing to the review of modules, programmes and quality assurance;
- Assessing student work, including setting and marking exams and coursework;



- Designing and utilising innovative approaches to learning and teaching, including through digital media and blended learning;
- Contributing to the planning and development of modules and programmes within the subject area;
- Providing timely feedback to students, identifying the learning needs of students and defining appropriate learning objectives;
- Administering and documenting modules taught in collaboration with other academic and support staff as appropriate;
- Acting as personal tutor, providing pastoral care and supporting students to maximise the benefits of their time at Leeds;
- Designing and supervising undergraduate and taught postgraduate student research projects in the area of environmental policy and governance and on broader sustainability topics;
- Contributing to recruitment, widening participation and public engagement activities within the school;
- Investing in your own continuing professional development.

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 Teaching Fellow in Environmental Policy and Governance, you will have:

- A PhD in environmental policy and governance or a closely related topic;
- Experience from teaching in a University environment and an enthusiastic approach to teaching environmental policy and governance, other sustainability subjects and research methods, and the ability to interact with students in ways that enhances student experience;
- The ability to supervise undergraduate and postgraduate dissertations on topics related to sustainability and environmental policy;
- The ability to motivate and enthuse others, as evidenced for example by student feedback on previous teaching experience, with an enthusiastic, creative approach to transferring knowledge and skills to students;
- Experience of the delivery of teaching materials in a Higher Education setting, demonstrating effective teaching skills and a range of delivery techniques and assessment methods to teach effectively;



- An ability to use IT and digital technologies effectively and innovatively in the preparation and delivery of teaching material;
- Excellent team working and networking skills;
- Excellent communication skills and an ability to collaborate with peers and inspire your colleagues;
- An ability to contribute effectively to administrative activities;
- A strong commitment to your own continuous professional development.

You may also have:

- Experience of postgraduate student supervision;
- Experience in teaching quantitative research methods;
- Ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures, including managing resources and/or staff;
- A record of publishing peer reviewed journal articles, reports or other documents relevant to your field and employment background. This could include scholarly pedagogical outputs.

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.

Please note: If you are not a British or Irish citizen, from 1 January 2021 you will require permission to work in the UK. This will normally be in the form of a visa but, if you are an EEA/Swiss citizen and resident in the UK before 31 December 2020, this may be your passport or status under the EU Settlement Scheme.

Contact information

To explore the post further or for any queries you may have, please contact:

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Please note replies may be slightly delayed due to annual leave

Additional information

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Find out more about our [School of Earth and Environment](#).

Find out more about the [Sustainability Research Institute](#).

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

Find out more about [equality](#) in the Faculty.

A diverse workforce

As an international research-intensive university, we welcome students and staff from all walks of life and from across the world. We foster an inclusive environment where all can flourish and prosper, and we are proud of our strong commitment to student education. Within the Faculty of Environment we are dedicated to diversifying our community and we welcome the unique contributions that individuals can bring, and particularly encourage applications from, but not limited to Black, Asian and ethnically diverse people; people who identify as LGBT+; and people with disabilities. Candidates will always be selected based on merit and ability.

The Faculty of Environment has received a prestigious Athena SWAN silver award from [Advance HE](#), the national body that promotes equality in the higher education sector. This award represents the combined efforts of all schools in the Faculty and shows the positive actions we have taken to ensure that our policies, processes and ethos all promote an equal and inclusive environment for work and study.

Working at Leeds

We are a campus based community and regular interaction with campus is an expectation of all roles in line with academic and service needs and the requirements of the role. We are also open to discussing flexible working arrangements. To find out



more about the benefits of working at the University and what it is like to live and work in the Leeds area visit 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.

