



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lecturer in Sustainable Freight Transport and Logistics, Institute for Transport Studies



Salary: Grade 8 (£45,585 - £54,395 p.a. depending on experience)

Reporting to: Professor Simon Shepherd

Reference: ENVTR1193

Location: University of Leeds (with scope for hybrid working)

We are open to discussing flexible working arrangements.

Overview of the Role

We are looking for a highly motivated and talented individual who can deliver excellent teaching and research in the field of Sustainable Freight Transport and Logistics.

The successful applicant will contribute to the development and delivery of teaching programmes in the field of Sustainable Freight Transport and Logistics with a focus on freight policy, international and national current and future patterns of freight movement, supply chain logistics and management including issues associated with fuel and vehicle utilisation, reverse logistics, waste management, and warehousing, e-logistics, 'food miles', carbon auditing, innovation in freight methods and city logistics in the field of Transport with a focus on imparting knowledge of the freight sector both in dedicated freight sustainability modules but also across our cross-disciplinary portfolio, in transport, logistics and food. This will involve teaching on a range of modules at postgraduate and undergraduate levels across the Institute for Transport Studies (ITS) programmes.

The candidate will be able to demonstrate an excellent academic potential and an established track record of high-quality and innovative research activity. The focus of the academic track record should be on advancing the state of the art in sustainable freight transport and logistics with an expected contribution in transitioning to Net Zero. The post holder will be a member of academic staff in the Institute for Transport Studies, which has significant strengths in Spatial Modelling and Dynamics, Social and Political Sciences, Human Factors and Safety, Choice Modelling, Economics and Appraisal. These contribute to research themes connected and shared mobility, automation, digital futures, energy and climate change, air quality and health and Centres in Rail and Choice Modelling. The post holder will be able to work with colleagues in these groups to further their research and enhance the Institute's offering in the freight area.

You will be highly motivated, enthusiastic, and have a strong background in sustainable freight with knowledge of how this also impacts on food systems.



Main duties and responsibilities

- Delivery of our freight and logistics and logistics with food systems modules at both UG and PGT level;
- Being actively involved in research, innovation and impact at a national and international level, as well as contributing to local School/Faculty activity;
- Maintaining a record of high quality publications of national and international standing;
- 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;
- Providing research supervision and helping to attract students to the University;
- Undertaking research-led teaching at different levels, including assessment and examinations and contributing towards module design, review and quality assurance mechanisms;
- Providing support, guidance and timely feedback to students, 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 including 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.

Qualifications and skills

Essential

- A PhD in freight transport and/or logistics with a focus on sustainability and transition to net zero;
- A track record of research outputs, within the area of freight transport and/or logistics, in refereed publications of internationally excellent quality;
- A successful record of obtaining external research funding with the potential for obtaining further funding in the future;



- An ability to contribute to and develop interdisciplinary collaborative research projects in a broad range of areas;
- A proven record of teaching in a University environment, with an enthusiastic approach to teaching freight transport and logistics with a multi-disciplinary approach and the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience;
- Experience of proactively developing new teaching approaches and materials in the area of freight transport and logistics;
- A high level of interpersonal and communication skills, and a strong ability to communicate effectively in writing and verbally with students, academic and external audiences;
- An ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures, including managing resources and/or staff.

Desirable

- Experience of providing postgraduate student supervision;
- Experience of contributing to academic leadership.

Additional information

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.

Our University

At the University of Leeds, we are committed to providing a culture of inclusion, respect and equity of opportunity that attracts, supports, and retains the best students and staff from all backgrounds. Whatever role we recruit for we are always striving to increase the diversity of our community, which each individual helps enrich and cultivate. We particularly encourage applications from, but not limited to Black, Asian, people who belong to a minority ethnic community; people who identify as LGBT+; and disabled people. Candidates will always be selected based on merit and ability.



Find out more about the [Faculty for Environment](#) and the [Institute for Transport Studies](#).

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

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

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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 foehr@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.

