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CANDIDATE BRIEF

Teaching Fellow in Food Science and Nutrition (Industrial Engagement),
School of Food Science and Nutrition



Salary: Grade 7 (£38,205 – £45,585 p.a.)

Reference: ENVFS1115

We will consider job share / flexible working arrangements

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School of Food Science and Nutrition, Faculty of Environment

Do you have an established background in the Food Industry? Do you have excellent communication skills and the ability to teach Food Science and Nutrition students at undergraduate and postgraduate level? Are you passionate about developing the next generation of graduates into the workplace?

We are looking for a Teaching Fellow in Food Science and Nutrition (Industrial Engagement) to contribute to the development of outstanding graduates within the School of Food Science and Nutrition. You will be responsible for delivering innovative teaching and assessment in areas of key relevance to the Food Industry, at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. You will contribute to the development of new teaching material, resources, modules and programmes and ensure that employability is embedded through all our courses. As part of this role, you will also develop teaching methods to embed food industry software and innovative digital techniques to deliver simulated factory environments. This will involve engaging with industry to develop required core teaching materials.

With a postgraduate degree in Food Science, Nutrition or a related subject, and relevant experience of working in the food industry, you will have an enthusiastic and innovative approach to all aspects of student education, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and the ability to use technology effectively and innovatively in the preparation and delivery of blended learning material. You will also have an understanding of the Higher Education environment and graduate recruitment market, with the ability to keep up to date with developments. You must also be able to travel to partner industrial organisations as this is a key part of the role.

What does the role entail?

As a Teaching Fellow in Food Science and Nutrition (Industrial Engagement) your main duties will include:



- Providing inspirational, industry related teaching and learning, which reflects professional standards and good practice at both undergraduate and postgraduate level;
- Acting as academic lead for the placement year, including effectively managing the placement year programmes, leading the support and promotion of the provision, developing and maintaining ongoing relationships with key graduate employers, developing global opportunities to enrich the student experience and liaising with the careers centre and Faculty employability staff to embed and promote employability throughout our programmes;
- Supporting the accreditation of our programmes through the Institute of Food Science and Technology and the Association for Nutrition;
- Contributing to the assessment of course work and examinations, including the provision of timely feedback to students, the review of modules, programmes and quality assurance mechanisms;
- Contributing industrially relevant ideas to the design and implementation of new modules and programmes for undergraduate and postgraduate students;
- Utilising innovative approaches to learning and teaching, especially with regard to provision of teaching material through digital media and blended learning;
- Acting as academic tutor for all modules taught, administering and documenting modules taught in collaboration with other academic and support staff as appropriate;
- Acting as personal tutor and providing pastoral support to students both on and off placement;
- Expanding the input of contemporary industrial practice and current industrial research into the curriculum;
- Contributing to recruitment, widening participation and public engagement activities within the school;
- Actively engaging with food and nutrition industries to enhance opportunities for students;
- Maintaining 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 Food Science and Nutrition (Industrial Engagement) you will have:

- A postgraduate degree in Food Science, Nutrition or a closely related discipline;
- Relevant experience of working in the food industry;
- Experience of teaching undergraduate and postgraduate students;
- The ability to motivate and engender enthusiasm in others, as evidenced for example in student feedback obtained from previous teaching experience, with an enthusiastic, creative approach to transferring knowledge and skills to students;
- Experience of the design, development and delivery of teaching and assessment materials in a Higher Education setting which will enhance student experience of industry practices;
- An understanding of the Higher Education environment, graduate recruitment market and undergraduate degree course structure and student assessment;
- An understanding of, and an interest in, the benefits to the student and to the industry of an industrial placement year;
- An ability to use IT effectively and innovatively in the preparation and delivery of teaching material;
- An ability to work as a member of a team and independently, with a high level of self-motivation;
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with a flexible, motivated and co-operative approach;
- Excellent organisational skills with an ability to work effectively under pressure;
- An ability to contribute effectively to administrative activities;
- The ability and willingness to travel to partner industrial organisations as necessary.

You may also have:

- A PhD or equivalent in a relevant discipline;
- An interest in pedagogic research and scholarship;
- A commitment to professional development/undertaking qualifications in Higher Education teaching;
- Experience in Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation applications.



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:

Dr Melvin Holmes, Director of Student Education

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Additional information

Find out more about the [Faculty of Environment](#)

Find out more about the [School of Food Science and Nutrition | University of Leeds](#)

A diverse workforce

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.

Find out more about [Equality and Inclusion](#) in the Faculty of Environment

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.

Salary Requirement of the Skilled Worker Visa Route

Please note that due to Home Office visa requirements, this role may only be suitable for first-time Skilled Worker visa applicants if they are eligible for salary concessions. For more information please visit: www.gov.uk/skilled-worker-visa.

For research and academic posts, we will consider eligibility under the Global Talent visa. For more information please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/global-talent>.

