

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Fixed term and Part-time Teaching Fellow in Media and Communication, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures



Salary: Grade 7 (£39,355 - £46,735 p.a. depending on experience) Reporting to: Head of School Reference: AHCMC1122 0.5FTE, 18.75 hours per week 9 month fixed term 50% FTE (September 2025 – June 2026) Location: Central Campus We are open to discussing flexible working arrangements.

Teaching Fellow in Media and Communication, School of Media and Communication

Overview of the Role

Are you passionate about contributing to the delivery of an exceptional student experience in a top-ranked Russell Group University? Can you provide excellent teaching in our BA Communication and Media degree?

We are offering a part-time, short-term role ideal for a candidate with a PhD who is relatively new to academic teaching and would like the opportunity to experience undergraduate teaching, learning and assessment in a leading School. You will lead on two undergraduate modules, undertake academic personal tutoring, and some project supervision. You will have access to a pedagogic research fund, professional learning and training and a teaching mentor.

As a Teaching Fellow in Media and Communication you will teach and provide expertise in media and communication studies. Your delivery of education will be informed by your scholarly work and provide innovative learning experiences for students. You will be expected to work with colleagues to develop and excellent student experience.

The School of Media and Communication at the University of Leeds is highly regarded. We are ranked in 5th in the UK for Communication and Media Studies (Complete University Guide 2025), 9th in the UK (The Times League Tables Rankings by Subject 2025) and 33rd in the world for Communication and Media Studies (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025). In the 2021 Research Excellence Framework 88% of our research was judged to be either 'world leading' or 'internationally excellent'.

Main duties and responsibilities

Teaching:

- Undertaking teaching at undergraduate level, including assessment and providing timely feedback;
- Undertaking teaching of different formats including lectures, seminars, tutorials;
- Providing high quality project supervision including project design, supervision of data collection and analysis, and providing feedback if required;



• Providing support and guidance to students, resolving issues and/or referring to specialist parties, where appropriate;

Scholarship:

• Contributing to promoting theoretically informed and innovative approaches to learning and teaching related activities;

Leadership and Management:

• Contributing to the administrative processes of the School to aid with the delivery and development teaching;

General:

- Carrying out the duties of the post in accordance with the university values of professionalism, inclusiveness, integrity and community supporting the core value of academic excellence;
- Carrying out the duties of the post in accordance with university standards, policies and procedures and local faculty/school benchmarks as appropriate;
- Maintaining a safe work environment, including ensuring compliance with legislation and the undertaking of risk assessments;
- Undertaking any other duties commensurate with the grade as might reasonably be required.

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

- An awarded PhD
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills;
- Experience of teaching undergraduate students with an enthusiastic approach to teaching and developing teaching materials in the specific subject areas;
- Willingness to develop teaching experience equivalent to meeting the criteria of the Higher Education Academy, or undertake a teaching qualification appropriate for higher education;
- An ability to motivate, inspire and challenge students intellectually, as evidenced for example in student feedback obtained from teaching;



• The ability to work within a team environment.

Desirable

- Experience of teaching postgraduate students;
- The potential to broaden the range of student activities within our curriculum;
- A good knowledge of media and communication studies in general;
- Evidence of significant contributions to the scholarship of teaching and learning
- An understanding of policy and strategic issues relating to teaching and learning in Higher Education.

How to apply

You can apply for this role online; more guidance can be found on our <u>How to Apply</u> 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: **Joanne Garde-Hansen** at <u>J.Garde-Hansen@leeds.ac.uk</u>

Please note: If you are not a British or Irish citizen, 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, this may be your status under the EU Settlement Scheme.

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 <u>Working at Leeds</u> information page.

Our University

As an international research-intensive university, we welcome students and staff from all walks of life. 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/School of Media and Communication 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, 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. We have identified that younger candidates are currently underrepresented in this role and particularly welcome applications from this group.

Information for disabled candidates

Information for disabled candidates, impairments or health conditions, including requesting alternative formats, can be found on our <u>Accessibility</u> information page or by getting in touch with us at <u>hr@leeds.ac.uk</u>

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 Requirements of the Skilled Worker Visa Route

This role is not eligible for Skilled Worker visa sponsorship. Information on other visa options is available at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/work-visas</u>

