



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lectureship in Creative Writing

School of English, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures



Salary: Grade 7 (£40164-£48822) or Grade 8 (£51753-£59966)

Reference: AHCEN1086

Full time

University Campus (with scope for hybrid working) We are open to discussing flexible working arrangements

Lecturer in Creative Writing

School of English

Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures

Ranked 29th in the world (QS 2026), the School of English at the University of Leeds operates at the leading edge of recent developments in literary studies and creative practice. Located within the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures, the School has a long history of nurturing poets and authors, publishing new work and collaborating with external partners, including the National Poetry Centre. Our BA in English Literature and Creative Writing is currently ranked 2nd in the UK (Complete University Guide, 2026). The School of English is looking to appoint an outstanding teacher and creative practitioner as a Lecturer in Creative Writing.

As a lecturer, you will join the Creative Writing team in the School of English and will contribute to the team's existing strengths in teaching, research, creative practice and engagement activities. You will have completed a PhD in a relevant discipline, or will have equivalent professional experience. You will also have experience of teaching at undergraduate and/or postgraduate, university levels. You will be an active writer, developing your profile as a recognised literary voice in your area of creative practice, and you will have produced high-quality research outputs and/or creative publications.

You will design and deliver lectures and seminars on existing core modules, such as 'Writing Creatively' (Level 1) and 'Developing Creative Writing' (Level 2). You will also have opportunities to devise and teach option modules relating to your areas of research expertise and to supervise undergraduate final-year projects. You will be expected to teach and supervise Masters students, and to attract and supervise PhD students. You will take an active role in the citizenship of the School, and will be encouraged to engage in outreach activities and collaborations.

What does the role entail?

As a Lecturer, Grade 7, your main duties will include:

- Teaching: delivering research-informed teaching to provide a stimulating, supportive and relevant learning environment for students; preparing high quality learning resources including effective use of technology to enhance learning; designing and presenting creative workshops and seminars



- Providing support and guidance to students, providing timely feedback, acting as a personal tutor, resolving issues and/or referring to specialist parties, where appropriate;
- Being actively involved in creative practice and/or 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;
- Contributing effectively to the administrative processes and committee structures of the School and/or Faculty.

As a Lecturer at Grade 8, in addition to those above, your main duties will include:

- Active involvement in research, innovation and/or impact at a national and international level, as well as contributing to local School/Faculty activity;
- Maintenance of a record of high-quality publications of national and international standing;
- Leadership roles and the management of 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 by the Head of School/Dean, consistent with the grade of the post.

What will you bring to the role?

As a Lecturer, Grade 7, you will have:

- A PhD in a relevant academic discipline, or equivalent experience;
- A track record of creative and/or research outputs in highly-regarded publications;



- A successful record of obtaining external research/creative practice funding and/or the potential for obtaining further funding in the future;
- Ability to contribute to and develop interdisciplinary collaborative creative, research and impact projects in a broad range of areas;
- A proven record of teaching in a University environment, with an enthusiastic approach to teaching, and the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience;
- Exceptional communication skills with the ability to collaborate with peers and inspire your research colleagues;

As a Lecturer at Grade 8, you will also have:

- Experience of proactively developing new teaching approaches and materials in the area of Creative Writing;
- Ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures, including managing resources and/or staff.

You may also have:

- Experience of postgraduate student supervision;
- Experience of programme/academic leadership.
- A teaching qualification or professional recognition.

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

For further information, please contact:

Professor Hazel Hutchison, Head of School

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Our commitment to inclusion

As an international research-intensive university with a strong commitment to student education, we aim to create an inclusive environment that attracts, supports and retains the best students and staff from all backgrounds and from across the world.

In line with this vision, the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures is committed to fostering a culture of inclusion, respect and equality of opportunity. We select candidates on the basis of merit and ability, and aspire to further diversify our Faculty community. We particularly welcome and encourage applications from candidates belonging to groups that have been under-represented in the University including, but not limited to: Black, Asian and ethnically diverse people; people who identify as LGBT+; and people with disabilities.

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.

