



**Corporate Services
IT - Web Solutions Team**

Web Application Developer

Fixed term contract available immediately until 30 November 2018.

The Web Solutions Team is responsible for end to end design, development and support of websites at the University of Leeds. Projects range from building content management driven websites (e.g. the corporate website - www.leeds.ac.uk) to large scale application developments (e.g. leedsforlife.leeds.ac.uk).

This role is focused on developing and supporting the Universities' web content management system (Jadu) alongside the development of a number of websites within the platform.

The Web Solutions Team works closely with the central Marketing and Communications function of the University and is taking a lead role in the development of the University's web presence and visual identity. We are seeking to appoint a developer with a WordPress development background to join the team.

You will have proven development experience across a range of technologies including WordPress, PHP, HTML, CSS and MySQL as well as experience of taking websites through the development lifecycle ensuring effective communication and consultation with stakeholders and customers.

University Grade 7 (£32,004 - £38,183 p.a.)

Informal enquiries may be made to Antony Wood, Web Team Service Group Leader email a.k.d.wood@leeds.ac.uk

Click here for further information about working at the University of Leeds www.leeds.ac.uk/info/20025/university_jobs

Job Description

Responsible to: Web Development Service Leader

Reports to: Web Development Service Leader

Main duties and responsibilities

- Develop and maintain a strong understanding of our institutional content management system (Jadu) to order to deliver university wide web capability
- Design, develop, deliver and support PHP/MySQL web based applications to support the University community and external organisations as required
- Lead on major development projects taking responsibility and ownership of successful high quality development solutions
- Identify any risks or issues during the development lifecycle, proposing solutions if required
- Develop, produce and maintain relevant project documentation where necessary
- Ensure the design and delivery of customer focused web-based services
- Maintain knowledge and awareness of Web trends and technologies in the HE sector/external IT environments to provide a sound background in developing effective and efficient web applications
- Contribute to the development of internal team processes
- Any other duties as may reasonably be required, consistent with the grade of the post

Career Expectations

The University of Leeds is committed to developing its staff. All staff participate in the Staff Review and Development scheme and we continue to work with individuals, supporting them to maximise their potential.

Progression to a higher grade is dependent on an individual taking on an increased level of responsibility. Vacancies that arise within the area or across the wider University are advertised on the HR website - <http://jobs.leeds.ac.uk> - to allow staff to apply for wider career development opportunities.

University Values

All staff are expected to operate in line with the university's values and standards, which work as an integral part of our strategy and set out the principles of how we work together. More information about the university's strategy and values is available at <http://www.leeds.ac.uk/comms/strategy/>.

IT Behavioural Framework

IT Staff have worked together to develop a Behavioural Framework which defines the expectations of behaviour for all employees in the IT Department.

We recognise that, because how we behave as individuals and teams affects other people, our behaviour is as important as the tasks that we do.

We want to be explicit about where we want to be: a working environment based on trust (I am trusted and I trust others).

We will develop a culture of trust by acting with **integrity**; **demonstrating respect** and **being professional**.

We believe that in so doing we will improve the service we deliver.



Person Specification

Essential

- Demonstrate evidence of delivering a portfolio of high quality projects
- Demonstrate experience of working to a high standard in application development using PHP with MySQL database technologies
- Demonstrate experience of using content management systems (e.g. Jadau, WordPress etc)
- Demonstrate experience of using a Linux environment
- Demonstrate experience of standards compliant HTML5/CSS 3
- Demonstrate experience of software version control systems (preferably Git)
- Demonstrate an ability to consult and communicate clearly and effectively and develop positive working relationships internally and externally
- Demonstrate an ability to analyse situations and problems, able to develop reasoned course of action in response and persuasively present these
- Demonstrate excellent interpersonal and written communication skills
- Demonstrate an ability to communicate and work collaboratively with peers and internal clients; actively participating in working sessions and critiques.
- Demonstrate effective organisational skills, including the ability to manage time effectively and prioritise tasks to meet conflicting demands
- Demonstrate ability to work independently and as part of a team

Desirable

- Demonstrate experience of automated testing tools
- Demonstrate experience of using Apache web servers
- Demonstrate experience of working on mobile platforms
- Demonstrate knowledge of IT accessibility issues including W3C accessibility standards
- Demonstrate experience of working in an educational environment

Additional Information

Details of the terms and conditions of employment for all staff at the University, including information on pensions and benefits, are available on the Human Resources web pages accessible at <http://hr.leeds.ac.uk/>

The Partnership

To be aware of and work in line with The Partnership working with students as members of a learning community to provide world class education and an excellent student experience. More information about the Partnership is available at <http://partnership.leeds.ac.uk>

Disclosure and Barring Service checks

A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Check is not required for this position. However, applicants who have unspent convictions must indicate this in the 'other personal details' section of the application form and send details to the Recruitment Officer at disclosure@leeds.ac.uk.

Disabled Applicants

The post is located in IT Fairbairn Site. Disabled applicants wishing to review access to the building are invited to contact the department direct. Additional information may be sought from the Recruitment Officer, email disclosure@leeds.ac.uk or tel +44 (0)113 343 1723.

Disabled applicants are not obliged to inform employers of their disability but will still be covered by the Equality Act once their disability becomes known.

Further information for applicants with disabilities, impairments or health conditions is available in the applicant guidance.