



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

## CANDIDATE BRIEF

Part time Teaching Fellow in South Asian Religions, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures



**Salary: Grade 7 (£32,004 – £38,183 p.a.) pro-rata**

**Reference: AH CPR1010**

**Closing date: 20 August 2017**

**Part time, 0.6 FTE**

**Fixed-term from 1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018**

## **Part time Teaching Fellow in South Asian Religions School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures**

**Do you have proven skills as a teacher of South Asian Religions? Do you have the ability to motivate and inspire learners? Do you have a clear commitment to creating and delivering an excellent student experience?**

You will carry out undergraduate teaching in Theology and Religious Studies, with a particular focus on South Asian Religions. You will design and deliver lectures and seminars on Undergraduate modules and may also be asked to participate in dissertation supervision and postgraduate teaching. You will take an active role in the citizenship of the School by contributing to open days and to induction and study skills workshops and will be expected to engage with the School's culture of interdisciplinary research and research-led teaching.

With a first degree and PhD (or a PhD close to completion) in Theology and Religious Studies or a closely allied discipline, you will have strong research background in South Asian Religions and of teaching in a University environment, with the ability to interact with students in ways that will enhance the student experience.

### **What does the role entail?**

As a Teaching Fellow your main duties will include:

- Leading an upper-level undergraduate module on Hindu traditions, taking responsibility for module management and assessment as well as teaching;
- Leading a first-year introductory level undergraduate module on South Asian religions (normally covering Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism and Sikhism), taking responsibility for module management and assessment as well as teaching;
- Assisting with the supervision and assessment of undergraduate dissertations, as required;
- Contributing to other assessment and recruitment activities.

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 you will have:

- A first degree and a PhD (completed or nearing completion) in Theology and Religious studies or a closely allied discipline, with expertise in Hindu and/or other religions originating in South Asia;
- 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;
- Strong interpersonal and team-working skills, with the ability to work positively with a diverse range of colleagues and students;
- Excellent communication and presentation skills, including a high standard of written and spoken English;
- Excellent time management and planning skills, with the ability to manage competing demands and meet tight deadlines;
- Demonstrable ability to work independently and proactively;
- Flexibility and adaptability, with the willingness and ability to lead and administer a co-taught module if required;
- Good IT skills (MS Outlook, Word, Excel);
- A strong commitment to your own continuous professional development.

You may also have:

- Peer-reviewed research publications, or evidence of forthcoming publications, on a relevant topic.

## 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:

**Professor Emma Tomalin, Deputy Head of School**



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## Additional information

Find out more about the [School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science](#).

### 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](mailto: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.

