

CANDIDATE BRIEF

Lecturer in Moral or Political Philosophy, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures



Salary: Grade 7 (£35,550 - £38,833) or Grade 8 (£39,992 - £47,722) Reference: AHCPR1014 Closing date: 6 November 2017

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Are you an academic with proven abilities to carry out teaching and research either in Moral or in Political Philosophy? Would you like to join and contribute to the vibrant philosophical community at the University of Leeds, which is distinctively embedded within the interdisciplinary school of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science? Would you be able to design and teach inspiring courses to our students in both the areas of Moral Philosophy and Political Philosophy? Would you be excited by the prospect of helping to support and develop our programme in Philosophy, Politics and Economics?

As a Lecturer, you will carry out research either in Moral or Political Philosophy (or both) and be willing and able to teach in areas of both Moral and Political Philosophy. You will be able to teach at all levels of our varied undergraduate programmes, and to provide dissertation supervision. You will also contribute to relevant MA programmes and supervise research students. You will also contribute to the effective management of the School, Faculty and wider University.

You will have a PhD in Philosophy or cognate discipline and relevant teaching experience. You will have an excellent research record and a potential for establishing an international reputation.

What does the role entail?

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

- Undertaking teaching at all levels of our taught programmes, including assessment and examinations and contributing towards module design, review and quality assurance mechanisms;
- Providing support and guidance to students, providing timely feedback, acting as a personal tutor, resolving issues and/or referring to specialist parties, where appropriate;
- Pursuing and maintaining a record of high quality publications and original research suitable for inclusion in the School's submissions to the Research Excellence Framework or other research assessment exercises;



- Providing research supervision and helping to attract students to the University;
- Attracting research income on an individual and collaborative basis where appropriate and feasible to underpin high quality research activity and support a developing research agenda;
- Actively participating in the Centre for Ethics and Metaethics, and other research centres, as appropriate;
- Promoting the integration of your own research area with other research interests within and, as appropriate, outside the School and Faculty;
- Taking an active role, as appropriate, in the support, management and development of our relatively newly instituted Philosophy, Politics and Economics programme, liaising with colleagues in Politics and Economics to ensure a high quality student experience;
- Contributing effectively to the administrative processes and committee structures of the school, faculty and university.

As a Lecturer at Grade 8, your main duties will, in addition to those above, 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 consistent with the grade of the post.

What will you bring to the role?

As a Lecturer at Grade 7 you will have:

- A PhD in Philosophy or cognate discipline;
- A track record of research outputs commensurate with career stage, with publication already completed and further outputs in prospect;
- The potential for establishing an international reputation and a clear plan for future work both for the next REF and for the pursuit of research grant income;



- Ability to contribute to and develop collaborative research 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;
- Experience of proactively developing new teaching and assessment approaches and materials;
- Exceptional communication skills with the ability to collaborate with peers;
- Good IT skills, including familiarity with programmes such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook (or equivalents) and the capacity to interact with a Virtual Learning Environment (VLE).
- The ability to contribute to management and administrative processes and structures;
- Excellent time-management skills.

In addition, for Lecturer Grade 8, you will have:

- A track record of research outputs, including a strong portfolio of publications;
- A growing international reputation;
- A successful record of obtaining external research funding with the potential for obtaining further funding in the future.

You may also have

- Experience of postgraduate student supervision;
- Experience of programme/academic leadership.

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.

In addition to the standard application, please upload the following as 5 separate documents:

1. A cover letter which includes the following summary information: Area(s) of Specialisation, Area(s) of Competence, start date of graduate work, PhD



completion date (or expected completion date), number of publications in peerreviewed journals or edited collections;

- 2. A standard cv;
- 3. A research writing sample (maximum 10,000 words);
- 4. A publication list, with peer-reviewed publications starred, followed by a descriptions of future plans (max 1,000) words) e.g. future article or book plans, elaboration of research themes or projects, possible grant applications, future speaking invitations, conference or workshops plans;
- 5. A teaching statement (max 1,000) words) e.g. modules you might like to teach at Leeds, experience of teaching, statement of approach to teaching, experience of teaching in different formats or evidence from course evaluation questionnaires.

Contact information

To explore the post further or for any queries you may have, please contact:

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Additional information

Find out more about the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures

Find out more about the School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science

Find out more about our Research and associated facilities

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

Candidates with disabilities

Information for candidates with disabilities, 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>disclosure@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 <u>Criminal Records</u> information page.

