

LECTURER IN PSYCHOLOGY

Job Ref: REQ180500

As part of the University's ongoing commitment to redeployment, please note that this vacancy may be withdrawn at any stage of the recruitment process if a suitable redeployee is identified.

Internationally recognised for its contribution to the study of sport, exercise and health, the School has wideranging expertise, encompassing such diverse areas as biomechanics, medicine, molecular and cellular biology, nutrition, pedagogy, psychology, physiology, sociology, economics and sport management.

The School has an active and ambitious plan to grow capacity and influence through developments as part of the National Centre for Sport and Exercise Medicine, Loughborough in London, and StemLab.

The School is extremely proud to hold an **Athena Swan Silver Award** since 2013, recognising the commitment and work of the School in addressing gender inequalities in Science and to improving career progress for female academics. The School is committed to ensuring that female students and staff are able to achieve their full potential; and provides a flexible and open working culture to enable staff to maintain a work-life balance.

We support our Athena SWAN initiatives by investing in:

- Bespoke leadership programmes to encourage and build confidence in women to take leadership roles.
- Working lunches where needed to enable to meetings to be held between 10am and 4pm (as per our Silver Action Plan).
- Monthly coffee mornings which provide opportunities for networking and developing a sense of community within the School.
- Extra mile award which recognises the above and beyond contributions of staff from all job families and research students.

We also welcome applications from those looking to work part-time hours.

Further information about Athena SWAN and the School's commitment to uphold the Silver Award can be found at: http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ssehs/about/athena-swan/

Research

Research within the School is characterised by excellence and breadth, and its quality was recognised by the 2014 Research Excellence Framework audit. A broad range of social and natural sciences contribute to the School's research activity which is organised within three overlapping themes:

- Sport performance, which aims to understand and enhance sport and exercise performance across the ability
 range by investigating the factors influencing, and methods for improving, human performance in sport and
 exercise;
- Lifestyle for health and well-being, which aims to improve human health and wellbeing throughout the lifespan by considering the social, behavioural and biological determinants and consequences of human lifestyles with specific emphases on physical activity, nutrition and chronic disease; and
- **Participation in sport and exercise**, which aims to analyse the sociological, economic, psychological, political, organisational and behavioural factors which inhibit and facilitate community participation in sport and exercise.

The School's research themes articulate in particular with the Sport and Exercise Beacon and the Health and Wellbeing Global Challenge which are key elements of the University's CALIBRE (Collective Ambition at Loughborough for Building Research Excellence) framework.

Further information about the School's research themes can be found at: <u>http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ssehs/research/</u> and about the University's CALIBRE framework at: <u>http://www.lboro.ac.uk/research/calibre/</u>

Job Description

Please note that this is a generic job description for the position of Lecturer.

Job Family & Grade: Research, Teaching & Enterprise Grade 7

Job Purpose: To contribute to and enhance the research, teaching and enterprise activities of the School of Sport, Exercise and Health Sciences in the area of Psychology in support of the University Strategy, Building Excellence.

Job Duties:

Research

- To pursue a personal research programme consistent with the research priorities of the School of Sport, Exercise and Health Sciences that increases the global visibility and reputation of the University.
- To secure external research funding.
- To supervise and manage research projects.
- To publish the outcomes of research in outlets of international standing.
- To attend and contribute to major international conferences.
- To supervise postgraduate students at Masters and Doctoral levels.
- To collaborate in research initiatives with colleagues both within the University and externally.

Teaching

- To work with colleagues in the School to deliver an exceptional learning environment for students.
- To teach and inspire undergraduate and postgraduate students, and to conduct associated assessments.
- To provide academic and pastoral support to undergraduate and postgraduate students.
- To promote the use of a range of methods and techniques in teaching, learning and assessment.
- To engage in the evaluation and development of modules for which you have responsibility, in terms of content, delivery and assessment.
- To be responsible for the design and content of specific areas of teaching and learning within the School's undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.
- To cooperate with colleagues in the continuous review and development of the School's taught programmes and curriculum.

Enterprise

- To engage with business, public and voluntary organisations through knowledge exchange activities such as student projects and placements, research collaboration, consultancy and specialist training.
- To create social, cultural and economic impact from academic, especially research, activity.
- To secure external funding in support of these activities.
- To seek opportunities for the commercialisation of research and the formation of social enterprises.

Related Activities and Functions

- To work effectively with relevant administrative, technical and academic staff in the School and across the University.
- To carry out specific administrative roles and functions as may be reasonably required.
- To take part in and, on occasion, act as chair of one or more School committees.
- To engage in training programmes in the University (e.g. through Staff Development) which are consistent with your needs and aspirations and those of the School.
- To undertake such other duties as may be reasonably requested and that are commensurate with the nature and grade of the post.
- To engage fully with the annual Performance and Development Review (PDR) process.

Points to Note

The purpose of this job description is to indicate the general level of duties and responsibility of the post. The detailed duties may vary from time to time without changing the general character or level of responsibility entailed

Special Conditions

All staff have a statutory responsibility to take reasonable care of themselves, others and the environment and to prevent harm by their acts or omissions. All staff are therefore required to adhere to the University's Health, Safety and Environmental Policy & Procedures.

All staff should hold a duty and commitment to observing the University's Equality & Diversity policy and procedures at all times. Duties must be carried out in accordance with relevant Equality & Diversity legislation and University policies/procedures.

Successful completion of probation will be dependent on attendance at the University's mandatory courses which include Respecting Diversity and, where appropriate, Recruitment and Selection.

Organisational Responsibility

Reports to the Dean of School.

Person Specification

Your application will be reviewed against the essential and desirable criteria listed below. Applicants are strongly advised to explicitly state and evidence how they meet each of the essential (and desirable) criteria in their application.

Stages of assessment are as follows:

- 1 Application
- 2 Test/Assessment Centre/Presentation
- 3 Interview

ESSENTIAL

Area	Criteria	Stage
Experience	Evidence of research and/or academic activity in the area of Psychology, consistent with the needs of the School	1
	Experience of working in a high quality academic research environment including experience at post-doctoral level	1
	Evidence of authoring original work, in the highest quality refereed academic journals	1
	Candidates from outside of academia must be able to demonstrate the ability to make the transition to becoming a top academic	1,2,3
Skills and abilities	Ability to develop an original research programme on your own initiative and to persuade others of its importance	2,3
	Ability to identify and develop potential social / cultural / economic impact from professional activity	2,3
	Knowledge of research and enterprise funding opportunities in UK HE and understanding of how to secure funding	2,3
	A clear trajectory towards achievements at a higher academic level	1,2,3
	Excellent communication and interpersonal skills which give you the ability to engage with students, colleagues, business and other agencies on a wide variety of matters	1,2,3
	Ability to work as part of and to lead a team	2,3
	Excellent IT skills	1
Training	Commitment to and evidence of continuing professional development	1.3
Qualifications	Relevant PhD or equivalent experience	1
Other	Commitment to observing the University's Equal Opportunities policy at all times	1,3

DESIRABLE

Area	Criteria	Stage
Experience	Experience of presenting research work at international conferences	1
	Experience of teaching and assessment at undergraduate and postgraduate level	1,3
	Experience of successfully supervising the projects of taught and research students or company staff at equivalent levels	1,3
	Experience of work in or in collaboration with business	1
Skills and abilities	Ability to take part in module and programme development	3
	Knowledge of the challenges faced in UK HE	1
Qualifications	Achieved or progressing towards appropriate professional status	1

Conditions of Service

The position is offered on a full-time, open-ended contract within the Research, Teaching and Enterprise job family, Grade 7 (£39,992 - £47,722 per annum); starting salary to be confirmed on offer of appointment.

The appointment will be subject to the University's normal Terms and Conditions of Employment for Academic and Related staff, details of which can be found <u>here</u>.

The University is committed to enabling staff to maintain a healthy work-home balance and has a number of family-friendly policies which are available <u>here</u>.

We also offer an on-campus nursery with subsidised places, subsidised places at local holiday clubs and a childcare voucher scheme (further details are available <u>here</u>)

In addition, the University is supportive, wherever possible, of flexible working arrangements. We also strive to create a culture that supports equality and celebrates diversity throughout the campus. The University holds a Bronze Athena SWAN award which recognises the importance of support for women at all stages of their academic career. For further information on Athena SWAN see.

Informal Enquiries

Informal enquiries should be made to Dr Emma Haycraft, Reader in Psychology and Learning & Teaching Discipline Group Lead (Psychology), via email to <u>E.Haycraft@lboro.ac.uk</u> or by telephone on 01509 228160.

Application & Interview

The closing date for receipt of applications is Sunday 29th July 2018. Interviews will be held on Thursday 6th September.