

## JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Vacancy reference:</b>	SRF36322
<b>Post Title:</b>	Lecturer in Classics (Teaching and Research)
<b>Grade:</b>	Grade 7
<b>School/Department:</b>	Classics
<b>Reports to:</b>	Head of Department
<b>Responsible for:</b>	n/a

### Purpose

We seek to appoint a Lecturer in Classics who will develop innovative research and teaching with the goal of diversifying our curriculum. This is a permanent post, for which specialisms in Latin and Roman History are also desirable. The post will involve teaching, research, administration, impact and outreach.

### Main duties and responsibilities

The University of Reading, Department of Classics, offers an exciting opportunity to join an outstanding Department with an international reputation for research and teaching. We wish to appoint a well-qualified and committed individual who will engage fully with the Department's goal of diversifying the curriculum, by means of focus on new approaches and/or new material. They will conduct research that enhances the research reputation of the Department, in areas of existing expertise such as multiculturalism and multilingualism, material culture, museology, digital humanities, and inclusivity, or in new fields germane to the Department's strengths. They will be supported in developing research by an established scheme of research leave, mentoring, and annual review. The successful applicant will take an important role in enriching the teaching and learning agenda of the Department, as well as in the wider aspects of the student experience, and they will have particular responsibility for modules in Latin and in Roman culture (literature and/or history) of the Republican and/or early to middle Empire period. They will have teaching experience in higher education, or demonstrable evidence of teaching suitable for higher education, and a track record of research and impact activity commensurate with experience and career stage.

Responsibilities will include:

- Delivering excellent teaching on modules in Latin, including at advanced undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and in Roman culture;
- Contributing to programme development and/or module design, especially with a view to diversifying the curriculum with innovative research-led modules;
- Conducting research leading to outputs of internationally recognised (4\* and 3\* REF) quality and developing an impact strategy for this research;
- Applying for external funding and managing successful grants;
- Contributing to the wider student experience, including as Academic Tutor;

- Supervising postgraduate research;
- Contributing to administrative and citizenship roles in the Department and the University as appropriate to the level of appointment

Post holders report to the Head of the Department of Classics.

### **Contact**

Liaison with other schools and departments of the University and with colleagues in the central university. Some contact with external bodies.

### **Terms and conditions**

Full-time or part-time, permanent appointment.

This document outlines the duties required for the time being of the post to indicate the level of responsibility. It is not a comprehensive or exhaustive list and the line manager may vary duties from time to time which do not change the general character of the job or the level of responsibility entailed.

### **Supervision received**

The appointee will report to the Head of Department. The appointee will be allotted a mentor and will receive guidance and support from the Head of Department, the Research Division Leader, and the Departmental Director of Teaching and Learning.

**Date assessed:** November 2021

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

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Lecturer in Classics	Classics

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
<b>Skills Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to teach modules that diversify the classical curriculum</li> <li>• Ability to teach Latin, including at advanced levels</li> <li>• Ability to supervise doctoral research in Latin/Roman culture</li> <li>• Ability to conduct high quality (4* and 3* REF) research</li> <li>• Clear potential to secure research funding</li> <li>• Potential for developing impact and impact-related activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to teach core modules</li> <li>• Ability to teach Ancient Greek</li> <li>• Ability to manage collaborative research projects</li> </ul>
<b>Attainment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PhD in a relevant field</li> <li>• A record of high-quality research outputs appropriate to stage of career</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formal accreditation with the Higher Education Academy (or a readiness to acquire it)</li> <li>• A track record of successful grant applications</li> <li>• Partnership opportunities with potential to develop impact</li> </ul>
<b>Knowledge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commitment to diversifying the classical curriculum</li> <li>• Knowledge of Latin suitable for teaching at University level, from UG to PGR</li> <li>• An appropriate specialism and publication track-record</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge of Roman history</li> <li>• Interest in Digital Humanities</li> <li>• Knowledge of archaeology and material culture</li> </ul>

<b>Relevant Experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching experience at university levels</li> <li>• Experience of conducting high-quality research in the relevant field</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participation in collaborative research projects</li> <li>• Supervision of undergraduate and master's student projects and doctoral students</li> <li>• Experience of module and/or curriculum design and development</li> <li>• Experience of academic administration or wider contributions to academic life</li> <li>• Experience of pastoral roles</li> </ul>
<b>Disposition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High level of initiative and organisation</li> <li>• Ability to work effectively with colleagues and students</li> <li>• Enthusiasm for and commitment to high quality teaching and research</li> <li>• Willingness to undertake administrative duties as required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Willingness to collaborate beyond disciplinary boundaries (e.g. with Reading's Department of Archaeology and the Heritage and Creativity research theme)</li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A current and relevant, internationally recognised publication record, as appropriate to the career stage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate to the career stage, a track record of dissemination of research via engagement with professional conferences, seminars, outreach events</li> </ul>

**Completed by:** Barbara Goff

**Date:** 9 November 2021