

# JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Vacancy reference:</b>	SRF28914
<b>Post Title:</b>	Lecturer in Economics
<b>Grade:</b>	Grade 7
<b>School/Department:</b>	School of Politics, Economics and International Relations – Department of Economics
<b>Reports to:</b>	Head of Department
<b>Responsible for:</b>	N/A

## Purpose

This post-holder will support the teaching and learning provision of Economics within the School of Politics, Economics and International Relations in one or more of the following areas: Labour Economics, Development Economics, Behavioural Economics, Business Economics and Finance and Sport Economics. The role holder will be involved in the design and delivery of a range of teaching activities, using a variety of approaches on courses and doctoral supervision, as well as assessment and marking.

Candidates with a focus on the microeconomic aspects of these subjects and their welfare and public policy applications will be particularly welcome. While we prefer to appoint in these areas, strong applications in any field of economics will be considered.

The post-holder will also be expected to secure research funding and publish in leading international peer reviewed academic journals, as well as willingness to engage in multi-disciplinary activities, in particular with the cross-disciplinary research groups housed in the Department. These include:

- The Centre for Institutional Performance (CIP)
- The Economic Analysis Research Group (EARG)
- The International Centre for Housing and Urban Economics (ICHUE)

## The Department

The Department of Economics is part of the School of Politics, Economics, and International Relations (SPEIR). The School and the Department have an established reputation for inter-disciplinary research, and members are collaborating with colleagues from schools across the university. Further information on the Department and its people and activities may be found at our web-site, <http://www.reading.ac.uk/economics/>

SPEIR is a sociable, supportive and well-resourced. The person appointed will find willing collaborators across the School and the University.

## **Main duties and responsibilities**

The post-holder will be expected to:

- Contribute to the Department's undergraduate and postgraduate teaching to a high quality.
- Develop and apply effective teaching methods, materials and assessment techniques, recognising cultural, equality and diversity challenges
- Mark student assessments and examinations and provide feedback.
- Engage in the School's research, actively submit grant applications and contribute to collaborative grant applications.
- Undertake some administrative/outreach duties within the School.
- Participate in the supervision of postgraduate students' projects/dissertations.

## **Supervision received**

Post holder reports to the Head of Department and also receives general guidance from the Head of School and the Research Division Lead.

## **Supervision given**

It is expected that the successful candidate will supervise research students.

## **Contact**

Liaison with university schools and departments in related academic fields and with colleagues in central services dealing with student-related matters such as assessment and welfare. Specific tasks may require contacts with a range of external bodies.

## **Terms and conditions**

This is a full time appointment. There are no specific hours of work, but the appointee will be required to work such hours as are necessary to carry out the duties associated with the post.

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.

**Date assessed: 15 May 2018**

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

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Lecturer in Economics	SPEIR/Economics

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
<b>Skills Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability for excellent research publications and dissemination</li> <li>• Ability to teach at undergraduate and postgraduate levels and engage with Teaching and learning practice</li> <li>• Ability to engage with citizenship activities essential to academic, department and university success</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative capacity</li> <li>• Ability to secure research grant funding</li> <li>• Ability to translate research outputs into policy impact</li> <li>• Experience of multi-disciplinary research</li> </ul>
<b>Attainment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PhD or equivalent in Economics or related subject</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of a developing publication record</li> <li>• An accredited HE teaching qualification</li> </ul>
<b>Knowledge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Broad knowledge of Economics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Particular expertise in one or more of the following areas: Labour Economics, Housing and Urban Economics, Econometrics</li> </ul>
<b>Relevant Experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of research for publication</li> <li>• Experience of undergraduate and postgraduate lecturing and giving seminars</li> <li>• Skills for effective supervision of PhD students</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of lecturing and giving seminars</li> <li>• Experience of MA teaching</li> <li>• Experience of PhD supervision</li> <li>• Experience of carrying out administrative duties</li> </ul>
<b>Disposition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Willingness to contribute at all levels to teaching provision</li> <li>• Willingness to participate with teaching at the NUISt Academy in Nanjing (China)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interest in collaboration with teaching colleagues</li> <li>• Willingness to engage in interdisciplinary research</li> </ul>
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