

JOB DESCRIPTION

Vacancy reference:	SRF30538
Post Title:	Lecturer in Economics
Grade:	Grade 7
School/Department:	School of Politics, Economics and International Relations – Department of Economics
Reports to:	Head of Department
Responsible for:	N/A

The Department

The Department of Economics is part of the School of Politics, Economics, and International Relations (SPEIR). The Department has an established reputation for high quality research; members publish in top journals, we have active Discussion Paper and Seminar series, and a number of research strengths recognised as research clusters. Further information on the Department and its people and activities may be found at our website, <https://research.reading.ac.uk/economics/>. Members also apply their research expertise into their teaching, and our teaching provision reflects our research strengths as a department.

The Department is a sociable, supportive and well-resourced environment. There are willing collaborators across the Department, School and University.

Purpose

The post-holder will 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 clusters housed in the Department. These are:

- Behavioural Economics
- Development Economics
- Sport Economics
- Business Economics and Finance
- Labour and Household Economics

This post-holder will also 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, 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.

Main duties and responsibilities

The post-holder will be expected to:

- Engage in the School's research, actively submit grant applications and contribute to collaborative grant applications.
- 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.
- 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. Early career staff are assigned a mentor as close as possible to their research area, to provide support with their career development.

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: 1 November 2019

PERSON SPECIFICATION

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Lecturer in Economics	SPEIR/Economics

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Skills Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability for excellent research publications and dissemination. • Ability to teach at undergraduate and postgraduate levels and engage with teaching and learning practice. • Ability to engage with citizenship activities essential to academic, department and university success. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative capacity. • Ability to secure research grant funding. • Ability to translate research outputs into policy impact. • Experience of multi-disciplinary research.
Attainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD or equivalent in Economics or related subject. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of a developing publication record. • An accredited HE teaching qualification.
Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broad knowledge of Economics. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Particular expertise in one or more of the following areas: Behavioural Economics, Development Economics, Sport Economics, Business Economics and Finance, Labour and Household Economics, or business and economic history.
Relevant Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of research for publication. • Experience of undergraduate and postgraduate lecturing and giving seminars. • Skills for effective supervision of PhD students. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of lecturing and giving seminars. • Experience of PhD supervision. • Experience of carrying out administrative duties.

Disposition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willingness to contribute to the research community in the department. • Willingness to contribute at all levels to teaching provision. • Willingness to participate with teaching at the NUIST Academy in Nanjing (China). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest in collaboration with colleagues. • Willingness to engage in interdisciplinary research. • Willingness to engage in social activities of department.
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