

**University of Derby Job Description**

# Job Summary

## Job Title

Senior Lecturer in Occupational Therapy

## College

Health, Psychology and Social Care

## Location

Kedleston Road/Various

## Job Reference Number

0427-22

## Salary

£43,414 to £51,805 per annum pro rata

## Reports To

Head of Occupational Therapy

## Line Management Responsibility

No

# Job Description and Person Specification

## Role Summary

Develop and deliver an innovative and flexible range of learning and teaching materials in the discipline of occupational therapy and across modules that provide high quality, accessible learning opportunities and an exceptional student experience Manage the development of postgraduate / undergraduate programmes and work with the Head of Department to ensure efficient and effective delivery of teaching programmes in accordance with the University’s strategic objectives to provide an exceptional student experience. Ensure that curriculum development, quality management and enhancement comply with required standards. Undertake research activity and and supporting where appropriate. Ensure research informs and inspires a research led curriculum and teaching. Build on a growing research reputation to build collaborations and influence leading edge practice.

## Principal Accountabilities

### Learning / Teaching

1. Lead on, or contribute to the leadership within, the subject area on undergraduate, postgraduate, professional and post-experience programmes.
2. Teach and facilitate learning on core and optional modules relating to the academic discipline.
3. Ensure that module / programme design and delivery comply with the quality standards and regulations of the University.
4. Contribute to the development of learning and teaching strategies and ensure that knowledge from research and scholarly activities informs and enhances learning and teaching, as well as extending it to appropriate external activities such as knowledge transfer activities.
5. Undertake relevant module and programme leadership responsibilities and take on other programme-related work that may include marketing, recruitment, and learning and teaching development.
6. Supervise student projects at undergraduate / postgraduate levels.
7. Develop innovative approaches to learning and teaching, such as blended or online, to encourage student centred learning.
8. Ensure effective monitoring of student progress and provide advice and guidance to staff and students as appropriate.
9. Involvement in placement related activity including supporting students, designing teaching resources and support to educators in practice.

### Research / Scholarship

1. Involvement in research activity, projects and proposals within the broader programme.
2. Acquire, analyse, interpret and evaluate research findings / data using approaches, techniques, models and methods selected or developed for the purpose.
3. Disseminate and explain research findings through conferences and other appropriate media.
4. Ensure adherence to ethical standards in the projects for which the role holder are responsible.
5. Provide mentoring and guidance to colleagues and co-ordinate the work of research and support staff.
6. Identify own professional needs and undertake appropriate training and staff development.

### Other

1. Act as a personal tutor, supporting and mentoring students as appropriate including placement activity
2. Provide pastoral care to students, referring when necessary to services that provide further support.
3. Liaise with international partners as required on existing and future collaborations.
4. Contribute to new initiatives at appropriate levels.
5. Build on existing research networks, furthering contacts with external organisations such as funding bodies.
6. Actively seek out and develop opportunities for interdisciplinary research both across the University and externally.

Observe and implement University policies and procedures.

## Person Specification

### Essential Criteria

#### Qualifications

* Good Honours Degree in occupational therapy or equivalent
* HCPC registered
* Senior Fellowship of the Advanced HE (HEA) or willingness to work towards (within 24 months)
* Masters degree or equivalent appropriate professional achievement or working towards
* Subject specific qualifications / knowledge
* Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education or equivalent qualification

#### Experience

##### Learning / Teaching

* Demonstrable experience of delivering effective learning, teaching and assessment to undergraduate and postgraduate students
* Demonstrable experience of successful curriculum development
* Experience of effectively designing and implementing a range of formative and summative assessments for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes
* Experience of quality assurance and validation of HE modules/ programmes
* Experience of supervising undergraduate projects and postgraduate research students, providing training and some teaching as appropriate

##### Research / Scholarship

* Experience and achievement in the academic discipline.
* Experience and demonstrable knowledge / expertise in research methodologies appropriate to the academic discipline

#### Skills, knowledge & abilities

* An appropriate level of digital capability and aptitude with practical experience of applications which enhance student learning
* Considerable skills in clinical practice contributing to considerable knowledge within the discipline
* Ability to communicate with clarity on complex and conceptual ideas to those with limited knowledge and understanding as well as to peers, using high level skills and a range of media
* Excellent ability to build relationships and collaborate with others, internally and externally
* A high level ability to think critically and promote innovation and creativity
* Demonstrates competences, core behaviours and supplementary behaviours that support and promote the University’s core values
* Committed to continual enhancement and a high quality student experience
* Promotes a high performance culture, fostering continuous improvement and driving quality
* A sound knowledge of the employability agenda and its relevance to learners and the curriculum

#### Business requirements

* Able to take a flexible approach to work
  + Travel between sites and occasionally overseas for research or teaching
  + Some evening and occasional weekend teaching
  + Attendance at Open Days, Graduation events etc.
  + A commitment to own professional development

### Desirable Criteria

#### Qualifications

* PhD in relevant subject area or equivalent

#### Experience

##### Research / Scholarship

* Track record in gaining support for significant externally funded research and consultancy projects, e.g. with industry, commerce, public bodies
* A growing international reputation in the academic discipline

# Benefits

As well as competitive pay scales, we offer generous holiday entitlement. We also offer opportunities for further salary progression based on performance, and the opportunity to join a contributory pension scheme.

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