



Job Description

This form summarises the purpose of the job and lists its key tasks. It is not a definitive list of all the tasks to be undertaken as those can be varied from time to time at the discretion of the School, in consultation with the postholder.

Job title: Assistant Professorial Research Fellow (Environmental Economics)

Department/Division: Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment
Accountable to: Institute Director or Programme Leader (dependent on research area)

Job Summary

The Grantham Research Institute seeks to appoint an Assistant Professorial Research Fellow (NRSC Level 1) to play a leadership role in its environmental economics research area, including in (but not restricted to) areas such as Net Zero transition, climate change mitigation or adaptation, or other areas of environmental policy. The successful candidate will make leading contributions to research and engage actively with policy makers to become a thought-leader in the public debate. They will contribute to the long-term research direction, fund-raising and academic life at the institute.

Duties and Responsibilities

The post holder will be expected to be a strong researcher with a growing international reputation and standing. (S)he will play a key role in the development of research projects and our policy engagement in this field. It is expected that the post holder may be asked to:

- Develop and carry forward a coherent research strategy in the field of environmental economics, which has national and international impact and fits with the research agenda of the Institute;
- Conduct substantive research into complex problems, ideas, concepts or theories and apply appropriate methodologies;
- Develop a body of outstanding quality publications in well-recognised peer reviewed outlets;
- Develop an international reputation for expertise in environmental economics among both academic and policy audiences;
- Contribute actively to the policy engagement activities of the institute, including formulating accessible policy documents, providing expert opinion and commentary and engaging actively with policy makers and other non-academic audiences;
- Formulate peer reviewed and/or philanthropic funding bids which develop and enhance research support for this research area and achieve success in attracting such funding;
- Manage research projects and grants either independently or collaboratively;
- Provide academic leadership at conferences and raise the profile of Grantham and LSE research



- Initiate and develop links with internal colleagues in LSE Departments, Institutes and Research Centres and with external contacts at other educational institutions and professional organisations in order to actively foster collaboration;
- Act as a reviewer for academic journals and research grant applications;
- Where appropriate supervise students and contribute to the teaching programme of the Institute
- Assist with the recruitment of new researchers and manage and oversee the work of Research Officers and/or Assistants as appropriate.
- Contributing to the development of teams, through supervision and peer support.
- Fostering collegiality and fulfilling responsibilities as set out by the Institute Director.
- Attending and participating in Institute meetings and contributing towards the intellectual life of the unit.
- Contributing to the development of individuals, through mentoring of junior research staff.

Precise duties are subject to the opportunities available, the contractual obligations imposed by external funding agencies and with the agreement of the grant-holder, Principal Investigator, and/or the Institute Director, in accordance with established line management arrangements and commensurate with the post.

Note

The LSE has a progressive pay structure that rewards you with annual pay increases up to a certain level as you develop in your role. We also provide for further reward past this point in the form of further pay increases based on exceptional performance.

Flexibility

To deliver services effectively, a degree of flexibility is needed, and the post holder may be required to perform work not specifically referred to above.

Equality and Diversity

To uphold the School's commitment to equality of respect and opportunity, as set out in the [Ethics Code](#), we will treat all people with dignity and respect, and ensure that no one will be treated less favourably because of their role at the School, age, sex, disability, gender identity, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, or social and economic background. For the full Equity, Diversity and Inclusion policy statement, please see the [EDI website](#).

Environmental Sustainability

The post holder is required to minimise environmental impact in the performance of the role, and actively contribute to the delivery of the LSE Environmental Policy.