



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: Research Officer (Electoral Psychology Observatory)

Department: Government

Accountable to: Professor Michael Bruter, EPO
Director

Job Summary

EPO is a Departmental Research Unit at the LSE directed by Professor Michael Bruter and Dr Sarah Harrison which conducts innovative comparative quantitative and qualitative research in the fields of electoral psychology and electoral ergonomics.

The Research Officer will work closely with the Electoral Psychology Observatory (EPO) leadership team to:

- conduct independent and collaborative research on the EPO's externally funded research projects concerning electoral hostility and the electoral experience of first time voters
- support the dissemination of the EPO's research in a number of knowledge exchange activities
- support the management of the EPO and its research projects

Duties and Responsibilities

Range of Research Activities and Responsibilities

- Conducting research projects or programmes either independently or in a team.
- Demonstrating the ability to analyse and research complex ideas, concepts or theories and applying appropriate methodologies.
- Designing and conducting field-work.
- Contributing to the formulation of peer reviewed research grant proposals.
- Writing up research for publication in a variety of modes including peer reviewed journals.
- Initiating and sustaining links with external bodies to foster collaboration.
- Presenting research papers at conferences.
- Organising conferences, seminars and workshops.
- Contributing creative solutions to research challenges.

Activities relating to administration and management and/or School service may include:

- Playing a constructive role in the life of the Centre/Institute/Department.
- Managing the activities of research assistants on a day-to-day basis.

All of the above subject to the contractual obligations imposed by the external funding agency and with the agreement of the grant-holder, Principal Investigator and/or Head of Centre.

**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.