

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 Professor in International Relations (International Security)

Department/Division: International Relations

Accountable to: Head of Department

Job Summary:

An assistant professorship to pursue an internationally excellent and potentially world-leading research agenda in the field of international relations and to teach international security at undergraduate/postgraduate level and supervise PhD students.

Duties/Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of an Assistant Professor at the LSE are as follows:

Research

- Conducting substantive research into complex problems, ideas, concepts or theories and applying appropriate methodologies
- Developing and carrying forward a coherent research strategy in the above field which has national and international impact
- Developing a body of outstanding quality publications in well recognised peer reviewed outlets in the above field.
- Initiating and developing links with internal contacts such as academics in interdisciplinary departments/institutes/centres, external contacts at other educational institutions, employers and professional organisations to actively foster collaboration
- Presenting research and giving invited papers at national and international conferences
- Acting as a reviewer for academic journals
- Providing academic leadership at conferences and raising the profile of LSE research
- · Providing expert opinion and commentary to external audiences and organisations

Teaching

- Contributing to the intellectual life of the School by engaging in high quality teaching on both core and optional courses
- Contributing to the monitoring and enhancement of quality in teaching within the department
- Actively seeking and pursuing training in teaching technology and practice, for example by undertaking the PGCertHE to associate level
- · Teaching and examining undergraduate and master's level students
- Acting as an academic advisor and providing pastoral care

- Supervising PhD students (but not sole supervisory responsibility for research students whilst pre-Interim Review)
- Developing innovative and attractive courses, shaping and influencing curriculum development and actively contributing to the review of courses in accordance with departmental strategy
- Where necessary in relation to courses being taught, supervising hourly-paid teachers, including organising and delegating work, monitoring the quality of their work and providing mentoring and guidance

Activities relating to departmental administration and management and/or School-wide Service

- Fostering departmental collegiality and fulfilling individual responsibilities as set out by the Head of Department and/or other senior colleagues
- Actively contributing to the intellectual life of the department and to the work of the School overall, for example:
 - o Attending and participating in departmental meetings
 - Acting as a member of and/or chairing departmental, inter-departmental or School committees and/or working groups, e.g. exam boards and sub-boards
 - Liaising with central and departmental administration across the School to resolve issues concerning programme development, student welfare and examinations etc
- Engaging with external institutions, organisations and the wider community to support research, teaching and School strategic objectives.

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.

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.