



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 Fellow Public Policy

Department: School of Public Policy

Accountable to: Co-Director, LSE-Fudan
Research Centre for Global Public Policy

Job Summary

The post-holder will undertake high-quality empirical research in fields of social science relevant to work of the School of Public Policy including public policy and management, social policy, international development, global health, environmental policy using global or comparative perspectives including the study of China. Particular research initiatives will be dependent upon the expertise of the post-holder.

As well as undertaking their own high-quality research and scholarship in their particular discipline and fields, the post-holder will foster and promote research collaborations between LSE scholars and those at Fudan within the broad theme of 'China and the World'.

No formal teaching responsibilities are part of this role, but the post-holder will be expected to engage with students of the School of Public Policy about his/her research, and to promote the inclusion of students in the research and research-dissemination activities of the Unit.

Duties and Responsibilities

Range of Research Activities and Responsibilities

- Contributing to the scholarship and intellectual life of LSE and the School of Public Policy by conducting research which will enhance LSE's reputation as a research-led teaching institution, with appropriate mentoring from the department.
- Planning of academic research conferences and other academic initiatives in line with the mission of the Centre.
- Identifying potential contributors to the Centre's activities from both Fudan University and LSE.
- Assisting with the management of a 'bid fund' of monies that enables scholarship from LSE and Fudan University.
- Developing a coherent programme(s) of research.
- Demonstrating the ability to analyse and research complex ideas, concepts or theories and applying appropriate methodologies.
- Formulating peer reviewed research grant applications.
- Leading a small project team or assisting in the running of a large research group.
- Developing a body of high-quality publications in peer reviewed outlets.
- Acting as a reviewer for academic journals and research grant applications.
- Initiating and sustaining links with external bodies to foster collaboration and influence decision-making.
- Presenting research at national and international conferences.



- Organising conferences, seminars and workshops.
- Developing creative approaches to research challenges.
- Acting as a point of reference for others and contributing to the development of new knowledge and understanding within the field.
- Developing a national/international reputation for research in their area of expertise.

Activities relating to administration and management may include:

- Playing a constructive role in the life of the Centre/Institute/Department.
- Training and managing the work of research assistants.
- Supervising Masters students.

All of the above subject to the contractual obligations imposed relevant funding agreements and with the Head of Department (Dean of the School of Public Policy).

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.