

Person Specification

This form lists the essential and desirable requirements needed in order to do the job.

Applicants will be shortlisted **solely** on the extent to which they meet these requirements.

Job title: Institute Manager

Institute: Grantham Research Institute

Accountable to: Institute Director

Competency	Criteria	E/D
Knowledge and Experience	Educated to degree level or equivalent professional experience	E
	 Considerable experience of working at a relevant level in an administrative/business management capacity, ideally in a university environment 	E
	 Experience of working with research funding (or similar), including understanding application and award requirements and compliance 	E
	 Proven line management experience and experience of influencing and collaborating constructively with colleagues at all levels 	E
	 Experience in the management of budgets and financial planning, including income maximisation 	E
	 Excellent IT skills, including MS Word, Excel, Outlook and ability to maintain databases 	E
	Experience of running a comparable Research Centre	D
Planning and Organising Resources	 Excellent organisational skills, including the ability to systematically prioritise multiple tasks and manage workloads 	E
	A willingness to work both flexibly and to tight deadlines	E
	 Ability to organise projects of different complexity from public events to office moves 	E
Communication	Excellent interpersonal skills with a high degree of tact and diplomacy	E
	Good command of both written and spoken English	E
	 Confident, clear and persuasive oral presentation skills and ability to communicate fluently in personal and 	E

	public settings, including to senior decision makers (e.g. Advisory Boards)	
	 Ability to write and edit all correspondence, including reports, recruitment paperwork, funding applications, minutes and handbooks 	E
	 Ability to design transparent, easy-to-use, compliant, administrative processes and structures that support teams in project delivery 	E
	 Ability to communicate to others complex regulations concerning research contracts, data regulations, HR law and school regulations 	E
Teamwork and motivation	• Experience in providing strategic direction, setting goals and overseeing the work of staff	E
	 Experience and evidence of success in managing and motivating different groups of staff to achieve the objectives of the Institute 	E
	Ability and willingness to take responsibility for the well- being in the workplace of all GRI staff and students	E
Liaison and networking	 Proven ability to maintain good communication and workflow between the Institute, the School's Administration and relevant departments 	E
Initiative and Problem Solving	Ability to work under pressure	Е
	Ability to work independently and use initiative	Е
	Ability to work and think both creatively and strategically	Е

E – Essential: requirements without which the job could not be done. D – Desirable: requirements that would enable the candidate to perform the job well.