



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: LACC-Canning House Research Officer

Department/Division: Latin America and Caribbean Centre **Accountable to: Centre Director**

| Competency | Criteria | E/D |
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| Knowledge and experience | A complete PhD in Business Studies, Economics, Finance, Geography, International History, International Relations, Management, or another related social science relevant to the successful conduct of the research project. | E |
| | Proven methodological skills (quantitative or qualitative) which demonstrate the capacity to conduct original and rigorous research | E |
| | Familiarity with research about the United Kingdom's relationship with Latin America and the Caribbean. | E |
| | Ability to conduct research on a comparative and international basis. | D |
| | Evidence of the capacity to prepare publications of high academic standard | E |
| Planning and organising resources | Evidence of results-driven approach to work plus ability to plan and manage their own time and to meet tight deadlines. | E |
| | Ability to proactively assess, develop and improve existing processes. | E |
| | Evidence of focus, drive and self-motivation in order to deliver required project outcomes | E |
| Communication | Excellent written and verbal communication skills. | E |



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| | <p>Ability to present research findings to a variety of academic and non-academic audiences</p> <p>Fluency in Spanish and/or Brazilian Portuguese would be highly desirable.</p> | <p>E</p> <p>D</p> |
| Initiative and problem solving | <p>Experience of solving everyday problems and thinking creatively.</p> <p>Self-motivation and the proven ability to be proactive and manage tasks with a minimum of supervision.</p> <p>Experience of online customer engagement</p> | <p>E</p> <p>E</p> <p>D</p> |
| Service Delivery | <p>A high level of accuracy and attention to detail.</p> <p>A willingness to carry out routine tasks</p> | <p>E</p> <p>E</p> |
| Teamwork and Motivation | <p>Ability to build cooperation and team spirit, and to demonstrate a proactive approach to assisting colleagues.</p> <p>A willingness to be flexible and adaptable at work.</p> | <p>E</p> <p>E</p> |

E – Essential: requirements without which the job could not be done.

D – Desirable: requirements that would enable the candidate to perform the job well.