

Candidate Information

Position: Research Fellow

School/Department: School of Natural and Built Environment

Reference: 18/106879

Closing Date: Wednesday 14 November 2018

Salary: £33,199 - £39,610 per annum (potential to progress to £43,266 per annum

through sustained exceptional contribution)

Anticipated Interview Date: Wednesday 5 December 2018

Duration: 22 months or until September 2020

JOB PURPOSE:

To be an active member of the NILS-RSU research /team assisting in the development of research proposals and the planning and delivery of the research activity within a specified area so that the overall research objectives of the project are met.

MAJOR DUTIES:

- 1. Identify new research and policy areas for NILS-based research
- 2. Liaise with current and prospective academic and non-academic NILS users to develop and mentor research projects
- 3. Undertake research using the NILS and employing appropriate methodologies
- 4. Prepare material for publication
- 5. Promote the research and policy impact of the NILS through conference presentations, briefing papers and training workshops
- 6. Assist the Director in reporting to ESRC and other external bodies
- 7. Read academic literature to keep abreast of conceptual and methodological developments
- 8. Support the Director and research team in the organisation of dissemination and engagement events

Planning and Organising:

- 1. Plan for specific aspects of research programmes. Timescales range from 1-6 months in advance and contribute to research group planning.
- 2. Plan own day-to day activity within framework of the agreed research programme.
- 3. Plan up to a year in advance to meet deadlines for journal publications and to prepare presentations and papers for conferences.
- 4. Coordinate and liaise with other members of the research group over work progress.

Resource Management Responsibilities:

- 1. Ensure research resources are used in an effective and efficient manner.
- 2. Provide guidance as required to assist with research.

Internal and External Relationships:

- 1. Liaise on a regular basis with colleagues
- 2. Build internal and external contacts and participate in internal and external networks for the exchange of information and to form relationships for future collaboration.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

- Have or be about to obtain a PhD in Social Science discipline such as Sociology, Geography, or Public Health Research.
- 2. At least 3 years recent relevant research experience in the areas above or related disciplines.
- 3. Contribute to outreach and impact programmes by links with industry, community groups and other bodies
- 4. Sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in relevant disciplines and of research methods and techniques to work within established research programmes.

- 5. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
- 6. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
- 7. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
- 8. Ability to assess and organise resources.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

- 1. A Master's degree in a relevant subject
- 2. Research experience not undertaken as part of a research degree; knowledge of Stata and/or SPSS and/or R
- 3. Evidence of dissemination activities to non-academic audiences
- 4. Journal or other publications