

# **Candidate Information**

**Position:** Part-time Technician (20 hpw, 18 months) **School/Department:** School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering

**Reference:** 19/107478

Closing Date: Tuesday 4 June 2019

Salary: £17,751 - £20,836 per annum pro rata (potential to progress to £22,017

per annum pro rata through sustained exceptional contribution)

**Duration:** 18 months

## **JOB PURPOSE:**

To provide a technical support service to academic and research staff and students.

## **MAJOR DUTIES:**

- Maintain general cleanliness and tidiness within a Stores / Laboratory environment.
- 2. Operate and carry out routine maintenance on standard equipment.
- 3. Monitor levels of stocks/stores and ensure that equipment, consumables and work area are ready to use when required.
- 4. Prepare and carry out tests/experiments/technical procedures, following clear guidelines and/or procedures.
- 5. Maintain accurate records of test results and draft routine documentation.
- 6. Resolve work problems where possible, referring more complex problems to supervisor.
- 7. Removal and disposal of waste materials according to specified procedures.
- 8. General movement and transportation of goods and equipment according to detailed instructions.
  - \* Note this will involve a high degree of manual handling eg moving and unpacking boxes of Winchesters or moving & unpacking pallets of stock from delivery point to storage shelves, moving dewars or gas cylinders.
- 9. Maintain and replenish an adequate supply of stock
- 10. Carry out routine record keeping including the recording and filing of information and maintenance of straightforward databases.
- 11. Comply with Health and Safety procedures affecting self and others
- 12. PAT testing in conjunction with other technical staff after suitable training
- 13. Operate and carry out routine maintenance on standard workshop/laboratory/departmental equipment as directed.
- 14. Carry out any other duties which are appropriate to the post as may be reasonably requested by Supervisor.

## **Planning and Organising:**

- 1. Carry out a range of tasks to time and quality requirements, working within established routines or procedures, with access to guidance where needed.
- 2. May prioritise duties within own work schedule, but refer to Supervisor for prioritising and scheduling of non standard work.

# **Resource Management Responsibilities:**

- 1. Have some responsibility for the security and routine maintenance of equipment in the laboratory and stores.
- 2. Support student learning through the demonstration of standard equipment and techniques.

### **Internal and External Relationships:**

- 1. Communicate and liaise with supervisor, University colleagues, service users and/or external contacts, usually through established routine connections (e.g. students/staff, regular suppliers/contractors) as own section of work requires.
- 2. Daily contact with Supervisor, work colleagues, University staff and students.
- 3. Some liaison with suppliers instrument suppliers
- 4. Contact with delivery drivers

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:**

- 1. Academic and/or vocational qualifications ie 5 GCSE's A-C and/or NVQ level 2 in relevant subject (or equivalent). Must include Maths and Science (including Chemistry).
- 2. 1 year's relevant workplace experience within the last 10 years.
- 3. Working knowledge of relevant systems, equipment, processes and procedures.
- 4. Manual handling skills where required. Part of this job will involve a high degree of manual handling eg moving and unpacking boxes of Winchesters or moving & unpacking pallets of stock from delivery point to storage shelves, moving Gas dewars or cylinders.
- 5. Appreciation of the quality standards for the processing and output of the work.
- 6. Understanding and awareness of Health and Safety regulations and procedures.
- 7. Ability to communicate clearly orally and in writing.
- 8. Numeracy skills (if appropriate).
- 9. Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- 10. Ability to develop and demonstrate standard equipment and techniques.
- 11. Ability to prioritise within own work schedule.
- 12. Problem solving skills
- 13. Must be willing to undertake PAT training.

### **DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

- 1. Higher qualification in relevant subject(s) (e.g. Chemistry).
- 2. 2 year's relevant workplace experience within the last 5 years.
- 3. Relevant experience to include Analytical Chemistry Equipment for example, NMR, HPLC, GC etc.
- 4. Previous experience of risk assessments.
- 5. Basic knowledge of risk assessments and/or COSHH.