

Candidate Information

Position: School/Department: Reference: Closing Date: Salary: Lecturer in Parasitology School of Biological Sciences 19/107563 Tuesday 16 July 2019 £40,792 - £50,132 per annum (potential to progress to £53,175 per annum through sustained exceptional contribution) Wednesday 28 August 2019

Anticipated Interview Date:

JOB PURPOSE:

To strengthen and enhance the research capabilities of the School of Biological Sciences and Institute for Global Food Security at Queen's University Belfast (QUB) in the area of Parasitology & Pathogen Biology. To foster academic enterprise and knowledge transfer with relevant partners and stakeholders. To undertake research in line with the School/Institute's research strategy, to teach at undergraduate and postgraduate level, in particular in the area of Parasitology & Pathogen Biology, to contribute to School's administration/outreach activity.

MAJOR DUTIES:

Teaching:

- 1. Deliver teaching and assessment activities as required, including within own area of specialism through lectures, tutorials, setting/marking coursework, practicals, and field work to undergraduates and postgraduates.
- 2. Select appropriate assessment instruments and criteria, assess the work and progress of students by reference to the criteria and provide constructive feedback to students.
- 3. Seek ways of improving performance by reflecting on teaching design and delivery and obtaining and analysing feedback.
- 4. Oversee research students as directed by Head of School.
- 5. Supervise practical work where it is part of the course, and advise students on techniques.
- 6. Plan and develop independent teaching contributions and contribute to the design or revision of modules / programmes as appropriate.
- 7. Help to develop appropriate teaching approaches and contribute to curriculum development.

Research:

- 1. Develop and contribute to the research strategies of the School, including enhancing existing capabilities in Microbes & Pathogen Biology.
- 2. Publish research in appropriate journals consistent with the School/Institute strategy and present work at conferences.
- 3. Carry out analysis, critical evaluations and interpretations using methodologies and other techniques appropriate to area of research.
- 4. Where appropriate, source and secure external funding in collaboration with others from the relevant funding bodies to ensure continued growth of the School's/area's research profile.
- 5. Provide guidance to other staff and students on own specialist area.
- 6. May work/collaborate on original research with colleagues in other institutions.

Administration/Contribution to the Community:

- 1. Contribute to the School's outreach and engagement strategy by developing external links.
- 2. Provide pastoral care for students within own area to ensure that all issues are dealt with in a timely, sympathetic and effective manner.
- 3. Carry out designated light routine School administrative duties, including, for example, committee work, course administration etc.
- 4. Be responsible for the record–keeping associated with teaching and the preparation of teaching materials.

Planning and Organising:

- 1. Plan and manage own teaching and tutorials as agreed with Head of School/line manager/mentor.
- 2. Design/update modules/programmes in line with School's teaching strategy.
- 3. Plan and prepare research outputs/papers to meet publication deadlines.
- 4. Prepare research proposals for submission to external funding bodies.

Resource Management Responsibilities:

- 1. Mentor colleagues with less experience and advise on personal development.
- 2. Where appropriate, supervise the work of others, for example in research teams and projects.
- 3. Use teaching and research resources, laboratories and workshops as required.
- 4. Manage/co-manage, where appropriate, external funding relating to research projects.
- 5. Act as mentor for students.

Internal and External Relationships:

- 1. Member of the School Board and Examination Board and such committees relevant to their administrative duties.
- 2. Collaborate with other staff within School.
- 3. Involved in developing links or joining external networks to share information and ideas.
- Contribute to the School's outreach and engagement programmes by establishing links with local community groups, industries etc.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

- 1. BSc in Biological Sciences or related subject area.
- 2. PhD in Biological Sciences or related subject area.
- 3. A publication record in peer reviewed journal papers at a level deemed internationally excellent (a minimum of 3* rating), commensurate with experience.
- Research interests that are sustainable and which complement or enhance research activities of School & IGFS in area of Parasitology & Pathogen Biology.
- 5. A minimum of 3 years post-PhD research experience in a relevant field.
- 6. Experience of presentations at national and international meetings and conferences.
- 7. Relevant university teaching experience in Biological Sciences commensurate with career standing.
- 8. Ability to contribute to broader HE management and administrative processes.
- 9. Ability to advance the research and teaching goals of the School.
- 10. Ability to strengthen the School/Institute's national and international research networks
- 11. Ability to negotiate contracts independently or as a leader of a section in major projects
- 12. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
- 13. Effective interpersonal skills.
- 14. Engagement in continuous professional development.
 - The ability to organise workload and prioritise competing demands.
 - Ability to manage resources and staff
 - A team player who can develop effective internal and external links.
- 15. Leadership capability.
- 16. Must be prepared to travel.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

- 1. PGCHET and/or membership of an appropriate professional and/or teaching body, e.g. HEA.
- 2. Experience in the supervision of PGT project students and PhD students
- 3. A track record of applying for research funds commensurate with experience
- 4. Relevant research skills in bioinformatics and / or diagnostics
- 5. Relevant experience of both UG and PG teaching programmes in parasitology.
- 6. Experience of developing digital content for HE
- 7. Experience in initiatives impacting upon key aspects of HE activity for example NSS, employability or internationalisation.
- 8. Experience in module or programme development and/or coordination.