Candidate Information

Position: Lecturer (Education) in Law and Technology
School/Department: Law
Reference: 19/108007
Closing Date: Monday 6 January 2020
Salary: £36,914 - £40,322 per annum.
Anticipated Interview Date: Monday 20 January 2020
Duration: This is a fixed term position available for two years

JOB PURPOSE:
The successful candidate will lead or contribute to modules in law and technology (e.g. cybersecurity, data protection, e-commerce), and contribute to teaching in media and/or intellectual property law, at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, with preference given to a candidate with the capacity to contribute to the School’s strategic initiatives in this field (such as teaching non-law students, and exploring and developing new forms of delivery). Appointment will be made at Ac2 level.

The School of Law is committed to mentoring and development, and holds a Bronze Athena SWAN award. The successful candidate will be given time to develop their scholarship within the post, and will have the opportunity to contribute to School administration as appropriate to the stage of career, and with a view to supporting career development. The successful candidate will be involved in the launch of a new LLM Law and Technology in September 2020 and in the School’s other plans in this field.

MAJOR DUTIES:
Teaching:
1. Deliver a range of teaching and assessment activities to undergraduates and postgraduates in technology-related law subjects as allocated by the Head of School, including lectures, seminars, setting/marking coursework, and supervision of undergraduate and taught postgraduate projects.
2. Develop materials for new modules and for new forms of delivering teaching and assessment.
3. Select appropriate assessment instruments and criteria, assess the work and progress of students by reference to the criteria and provide constructive feedback to students.
4. Seek ways of improving performance by reflecting on teaching design and delivery and obtaining and analysing feedback.
5. Plan and develop independent teaching contributions and contribute to the design or revision of course units.
6. Help to develop appropriate teaching approaches and contribute to curriculum development and to strategic initiatives, including those in collaboration with other Schools.

Scholarly Activity:
1. Engage in scholarly activity e.g. participate in conferences, apply for external funding, publish book reviews and scholarly materials.
2. Develop networking links to ensure that own teaching reflects current best practice in own area of subject specialism.
3. Maintain and develop teaching and subject expertise.

Administration/Contribution to the Community:
1. Contribute to the School’s outreach strategy by developing external links.
2. Provide pastoral care for students within own area to ensure, as far as practicable, that relevant issues are dealt with in a timely, sympathetic and effective manner.
3. Carry out designated routine School administrative duties, including, for example, committee work, course administration, etc.

Planning and Organising:
1. Plan and manage own teaching as agreed with Head of School/mentor.
2. Modules are designed/updated in line with School’s teaching strategy.

Resource Management Responsibilities:
1. Use teaching resources as required.
2. Act as mentor for students

Internal and External Relationships:
1. Membership 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.
4. Contribute to the School’s outreach programme by establishing links with local community groups, industries, etc.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:
1. A degree in Law (at 2.1 or above) or qualification which equates to the Foundations of Legal Knowledge for professional purposes.
2. Have or be about to obtain a PhD in a relevant subject.
3. A minimum of three years’ scholarship experience in law or a relevant subject – this can include the time spent engaged in PhD level study.
4. Scholarly interests that are sustainable and which complement the strategy of the School of Law, including its engagement with other Schools.
5. Willingness to contribute to the teaching of technology law subjects (e.g. cybersecurity, data protection, e-commerce) at Undergraduate and Postgraduate levels.
6. Willingness to contribute to the teaching of intellectual property and/or media law at Undergraduate and Postgraduate levels.
7. Experience of teaching law in an HE context.
8. Ability to contribute to broader management and administrative processes.
9. High level of analytical capability.
10. Evidence of a sound understanding of current issues in data and technology.
11. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
12. Effective interpersonal skills.
13. Evidence of engagement in continuous professional development.
14. Demonstrable ability to assess and organise resources.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:
1. PCGHET (or equivalent) and / or membership of an appropriate professional and / or teaching body e.g. HEA.
2. A publication record (or be about to publish) in good quality peer reviewed journals and/or with relevant publishers, appropriate to stage of career.
3. Experience of or a strong commitment to contribute to a range of forms of teaching law (such as to non-law students, at summer schools or intensive programmes, and/or through online or distance learning).
4. An interest in the implications of technology for legal practice.