

Candidate Information

Position:	Lecturer in Political Theory/Political Philosophy
School/Department:	Education (HAPP)
Reference:	19/108009
Closing Date:	Monday 6 January 2020
Salary:	£36,914 - £51,034 per annum.
Anticipated Interview Date:	Wednesday 29 January 2020

JOB PURPOSE:

The School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy, and Politics at Queen's University, Belfast, is one of the UK's leaders in internationally recognised research and teaching in politics and philosophy. The School is looking to appoint a lecturer to work on the interface between political theory and political philosophy to support research and teaching at all levels. We are particularly interested in candidates with expertise in both Anglo-American and Continental political theory and philosophy, broadly understood. The person appointed will be expected to work closely with both politics and philosophy colleagues in the School and to play a central role in all the School's research and teaching activities.

Applicants must have a PhD or equivalent in political theory/political philosophy and already demonstrate the potential to produce high-quality publications and to provide excellent teaching.

MAJOR DUTIES:

Teaching:

1. Delivering teaching and assessment activities within the areas of a) modern political thought and b) contemporary Anglo-American and Continental political theory/philosophy, including lectures, setting/marking coursework, etc.
2. Contributing to teaching in the area of undergraduate practical philosophy (including moral philosophy), if required.
3. Undertaking and developing teaching at UG and PGT levels, in a variety of settings, from small group seminars to large lectures.
4. Providing appropriate academic advice and support to students both individually and in groups.

Scholarly Activity:

1. Pursuing research in political theory and political philosophy that is internationally excellent/world leading.
2. Producing publications that are internationally excellent/world leading in quality journals and publishers.
3. Playing a central part in the School's political theory and political philosophy research culture.
4. Developing research projects that will have the potential to generate knowledge transfer/impact and securing appropriate external funding for them, where applicable.

Administration/Contribution to the Community:

1. Undertaking such administrative or academic service, pastoral and other duties as may be assigned.

Planning and Organising:

1. Plan and set teaching and research objectives over a number of years.
2. Plan and manage own teaching and tutorials.
3. Design/update modules in line with School's teaching strategy.
4. Prepare research proposals for submission to external funding.

Resource Management Responsibilities:

1. Develop and manage own teaching, research and administrative demands under general supervision of Head, and specific supervision of relevant staff (e.g. mentor).
2. Assist in the development of skills and competence in others (for example through the supervision of research students).

3. Manage use of resources for research and teaching.
4. Act as mentor for students in capacity of personal tutor.

Internal and External Relationships:

1. Develop internal networks for example by participating in University committee/s.
2. Develop links with external networks, for example, with external examiners and assessors.
3. Develop links with external contacts such as other educational bodies, employers, and professional bodies to foster collaboration.
4. Collaborate with other academics within School.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Have a PhD or equivalent in political theory or political philosophy.
2. Evidence of high-quality research and the ability to produce political theory/political philosophy publications of an international standard commensurate with stage of career.
3. Broad knowledge of political theory and political philosophy, both within the Anglo-American and Continental traditions.
4. Evidence of committed participation within the academic community.
5. Demonstrable evidence of high-quality teaching in political theory and/or political philosophy at undergraduate level and the potential for outstanding teaching at MA level.
6. Clear potential for successful supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate dissertations.
7. Evident skills in, and commitment to, developing student learning and the quality of the student experience.
8. Evidence of contribution to key administrative committees.
9. Evidence of committed participation within the academic community.
10. Willingness to contribute in full to the School's administrative tasks as required, including undertaking outreach and internationalization activities (e.g., student recruitment and liaison).
11. Ability to strengthen the School's national and international research networks.
12. First rate interpersonal and communication skills, including the ability to work as an effective team member.
13. Excellent Oral and written communication skills.
14. Evidence of good interpersonal skills and the ability to work both independently and as part of a team.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. PGCHET and/or membership of an appropriate professional and/or teaching body e.g., HEA.
2. Recent experience of being involved on a funded research project.
3. Experience of supervising postgraduate students.
4. Evidence of contribution to student retention policies and activities, according to career stage.
5. Experience of undergraduate and postgraduate dissertation supervision, according to career stage.
6. Experience of designing and delivering new module/s, according to career stage.
7. Engagement with academic bodies, professional associations at national and/or international level.
8. Engagement with community and outreach activities.