



Candidate Information

Position: Lecturer (Education) in Dental Education
School/Department: School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Sciences
Reference: 24/111619
Closing Date: Thursday 29 February 2024
Salary: £46,497 - £57,141 per annum.
Anticipated Interview Date: Monday 15 April 2024

JOB PURPOSE:

To strengthen the academic base of Dental Education within the Centre for Dentistry, School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Sciences at Queen's University Belfast. To engage in scholarly activity and support the development of a research group in dental education. To innovate teaching by contributing to curriculum development, assessment and online learning. To contribute to Centre administration and outreach activity.

MAJOR DUTIES:

Teaching:

1. Develop approaches to teaching, learning and assessment, which are appropriate for Dental education and that reflect developing practice.
2. Contribute to the quality enhancement of teaching in the Centre and ensure that course design and delivery comply with the appropriate benchmarks and professional regulations.
3. Contribute to the design and development of a new Dentistry Curriculum to meet student and regulator expectations.
4. Contribute to the delivery of the Postgraduate Programme in Clinical Education or contribute to the delivery of the School's Portfolio of Postgraduate Taught Programmes.
5. Advise others on learning and teaching tasks and methods and contribute to the design of innovative teaching programmes.
6. Contribute to the development of digital learning in dental education.
7. Develop and enhance links with relevant professional bodies to ensure that teaching reflects current best practice.
8. Ensure equality, diversity and inclusion is fully embedded in the curriculum.
9. Contribute, where appropriate, to delivery of teaching in the Centre.
10. Plan and review own approach to teaching.

Research:

1. Working alongside colleagues in the School and Faculty, lead on the development of a Dental Education Research and Scholarship Group in the Centre for Dentistry, developing a community of academics working on the scholarship of healthcare education.
2. Undertake pedagogic research and scholarly activities (e.g. conference paper presentations, publications, book reviews) and develop and sustain a personal research plan in dental education.
3. Develop proposals and prepare, in collaboration with others, funding bids for external contract work that might involve, for example, publishing materials for use within the profession.
4. Supervise students in scholarly activity (including Summer studentships, Intercalated Degrees, BSc projects, Masters in Clinical Education and PhDs).
5. Maintain and develop scholarly expertise through continued professional development.

Administration/Contribution to the Community:

1. Assist in the process of admissions, including participation in Open Days and selection interviews.
2. Increase the impact of the dental programme in the wider community through outreach placements and projects.
3. Carry out designated Centre functions, including, preparation of submissions for teaching quality assessment and participation in committee work.

4. Provide pastoral care for students and liaise with relevant academic and professional support staff to ensure that all issues are dealt with in a timely, sympathetic and effective manner.
5. Be responsible for the record-keeping associated with teaching and the preparation of teaching materials.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Primary Degree (in any cognate area) and, PhD/EdD or other doctoral degree in relevant subject area (eg educational studies, higher education or a cognate area). OR; BDS plus current registration with the General Dental Council and, Master's degree or equivalent in relevant subject area (eg educational studies, higher education or a cognate area).
2. Evidence of scholarly activity eg. record of education focused academic outputs commensurate with stage of career, such as conference papers, publications, external funding, book reviews.
3. Relevant teaching experience at University Level commensurate with the level of the post.
4. Experience in design and delivery of assessments.
5. Evidence of contribution to the successful delivery, enhancement and / or review of particular modules.
6. Evidence of appropriate administrative experience, commensurate with stage of career.
7. Experience of contribution to relevant management and administrative processes.
8. Ability to devise, advise on and manage teaching programmes.
9. Ability to manage resources and understanding of management processes.
10. Demonstrable ability to communicate clearly and effectively to students, academic colleagues and external audiences.
11. Evidence of good interpersonal skills and the ability to work both independently and as part of a team.
12. Commitment and enthusiasm for working collaboratively to advance the teaching and research/scholarship priorities of the School/Centre.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. Completion of a PGCHET (or equivalent) or HEA membership.
2. Higher degree (PhD, MD, EdD or equivalent).
3. BDS and current registration with General Dental Council.
4. Research interests directly relevant to the post.
5. Evidence of published research.
6. Evidence of successfully attracting external income.
7. Experience of supervising Master's and/or Doctoral students.
8. Experience of delivering high quality, innovative teaching at university level as evidenced by positive feedback received from students and colleagues.
9. Experience of developing digital education/online learning.
10. Experience of contributing to community/outreach activities.