

Candidate Information

Position:	Research Fellow
School/Department:	School of Law
Reference:	24/111709
Closing Date:	Monday 8 April 2024
Salary:	£37,841 - £41,331 per annum.
Anticipated Interview Date:	Friday 26 April 2024
Duration:	Fixed term for 12 months

JOB PURPOSE:

To be a highly productive, ambitious, and collaborative member of the research project, Forensic Scientists and Knowledge Production in Transitional Justice, working to interrogate the relationship between knowledge production and forensic scientists in transitional justice under the supervision of Dr Lauren Dempster. This will involve assisting in the planning and delivery of the research activity so that the overall research objectives of the project are met. This work is being carried out at Queen's University Belfast School of Law and is funded by the Arts & Humanities Research Council's Research, Development and Engagement Fellowship scheme.

MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Undertake research under supervision within the AHRC-funded research project, Forensic Scientists and Knowledge Production in Transitional Justice.
2. Carry out analyses, critical evaluations, and interpretations using methodologies and other techniques appropriate to area of research.
3. Work with Dr Dempster to arrange and conduct a series of online research interviews.
4. Transcribe audio recordings of interviews.
5. Disseminate and publicise research findings to external audiences.
6. Carry out routine administrative tasks associated with the research project to ensure that project/s are completed on time and within budget.
7. Produce, in consultation with Dr Dempster, material for high quality project outputs consistent with project aims. This will include co-authoring with Dr Dempster at least one academic journal article, in addition to presentations at academic conferences.
8. Read academic papers, journals and textbooks to keep abreast of developments within the project area, in own specialism and related disciplines.
9. As needed, translate documents from Spanish to English and provide Spanish-English interpretation during research interviews.
10. Attend relevant QUB and external training as agreed with Dr Dempster.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Have or be about to obtain a relevant PhD.
2. Substantial, relevant research experience (this can include a PhD).
3. An understanding of the operational requirements for a successful research project.
4. Demonstrated organisational ability.
5. Fluent in Spanish and able to interpret during research interviews and translate documents as required.
6. Willingness to undertake additional training in research methods and other related skills as required.
7. Problem solving skills, independence of thought and initiative.
8. Ability to communicate complex information clearly and effectively in oral and written format.
9. Ability to build relationships to develop internal and external networks as needed.
10. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
11. Ability to assess and organise resources.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. PhD research related to transitional justice, socio-legal studies, peace and conflict studies, or human rights.
2. Experience of qualitative data analysis.
3. Strong publication record, commensurate with stage of career.
4. Experience of conference/event organisation.