

## Candidate Information

**Position:** Research Fellow (Community Interventions)  
**School/Department:** School of Social Sciences, Education and Social Work  
**Reference:** 25/112592  
**Closing Date:** Monday 25 August 2025  
**Salary:** £41,519-£45,349 per annum  
**Anticipated Interview Date:** Tuesday 9 September 2025  
**Duration:** 12 months or until 31 August 2026, whichever is soonest

### JOB PURPOSE:

To be an active member of the School of Social Sciences Education and Social Work (SSESW) and the Stable Lives Safer Streets Research North/South Research Hub

Travel will be expected across NI and ROI at regular intervals, with international travel at time.

### MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Contribute to the co-development of work packages within the SLSS.
2. To contribute to the coproduction of interventions for children and young people involved in serious and violent offending.
3. To contribute to the evaluation of interventions for children and young people involved in serious and violent offending.
4. To contribute to the dissemination of research findings.
5. To present research findings to a range of audiences, including, the DOJ, Department for Communities, Education Authority, Probation Board and a range of voluntary and community sector organisations.
6. Contributing to the generation of research income through the development of research proposals.
7. Preparing material for publication in national and international journals, presentations at international conferences, press releases and social media sites.
8. Carrying out routine administrative tasks associated with SSESW. These might include organisation of meetings and associated documentation.
9. Other specific duties as allocated by the PI of the project.

### ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. An upper second class honours degree (or equivalent) in a relevant field (e.g., criminology, behavioural science, public health) or a Masters degree in a relevant area.
2. Have or be about to obtain a PhD in a relevant subject (within 6 months).
3. At least two years' experience of engaging with statutory agencies (e.g., police, probation, education) OR communities within a research environment.
4. At least one years experience of intervention design and development.
5. At least two years' research experience working on a project that relates to youth violence, community violence, conflict and/or paramilitarism and/or CCE.
6. Research related to intervention design and/or evaluation.
7. Ability to develop a high-quality publications record that is REF returnable.
8. Experience of communicating research to lay audiences.
9. Ability to work independently with an agreed workplan.
10. Ability to work in partnership with colleagues as a team.
11. Contribute to the University's outreach programme by making links with external community stakeholders.
12. Good understanding of the key issues and challenges associated with engaging 'high-risk' groups and communities in primary research.
13. Good understanding of the opportunities and challenges associated with partnership working within a research environment.

14. Ability to communicate complex information clearly, including the use of methods of data visualisation.
15. Evidence of a high standard of report writing skills.
16. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
17. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
18. Ability to assess and organise resources.
19. Evidence of being able to work flexibly and to meet deadlines.
20. Willingness to work as part of a team.
21. Willingness to travel.
22. Current valid driving licence and access to a car insured for business purposes.

**DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

1. A PhD relevant to behavioural science.
2. At least one years experience of intervention coproduction.
3. Mixed methods research experience.
4. Experience of RCT and/or quasi-experimental designs.
5. A record of being part of a funding bid and successfully attracting external research funding.
6. Experience of successfully organising events.
7. Data visualisation skills.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

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