

Lecturer in Optometry & Ophthalmic Dispensing - School of Medicine & Dentistry - Grade H

Job Description

Purpose

To contribute to academic development, delivery and management in optometry and ophthalmic dispensing (including the planning and management of the ongoing development of apprenticeships and requirements for accreditation by relevant bodies) within the School of Medicine at the University of Central Lancashire.

Duties

1. Lecturing at all levels of the Vision Sciences Academic programmes in the School including the Masters programmes.
2. Contribute to achieving the academic objectives of vision sciences within the School of Medicine through scholarly activity, research outputs, knowledge transfer activities and income-generation.
3. Act as module tutor for a number of identified modules. Administer course registers, assessment records, learning programmes and other records. Module leadership may be required.
4. Engage with the recruitment of students onto courses and provide appropriate advice on progression and career opportunities.
5. Develop and consolidate contacts with relevant external organisations.
6. Adhere to quality assurance and enhancement systems to ensure high standards are maintained and the student experience is enhanced.
7. Attend local and national events on behalf of the University, in order to promote the University and its courses, and to enhance the institutional, departmental and divisional profile.
8. Carry out other duties as outlined by the Dean of School.

Person Specification

Knowledge, Skills, and Behaviours (Essential)

- Experience of teaching in higher education/post 18 learning environments (Application/Interview).
- Experience of commercial CPD delivery (Application/Interview).
- Experience of liaising with external organisations and professional bodies (Application/Interview).
- Experience of working with a range of stakeholders both within and external to Higher Education (Application/Interview).
- Experience of managing projects with differing technical content (Application/Interview).
- Experience of working with and to the requirements and standards of professional accreditation bodies (Application/Interview).

- Good honours undergraduate degree in Optometry or equivalent in relevant area (Application).
- Registered with the General Optical Council as an Optometrist for two years minimum (Application).
- Ability to build productive relationships with colleagues of varying degrees of seniority across the University (Application/Interview).
- Ability to convey complex information to different audiences (Application/Interview).
- Excellent negotiating (including contractual negotiations) and influencing skills (Application/Interview).
- Determination and drive to maintain focus and priorities to achieve project goals (Application/Interview).
- An understanding of and demonstrable commitment to the University's Values of Achieving Together, Being Proud, Creating Opportunity and Supporting All, as a framework for decisions, actions and behaviours (Application/Interview).

Knowledge, Skills, and Behaviours (Desirable)

- Experience in module leadership for optometry and ophthalmic dispensing programs, with involvement in influencing national agendas through collaboration (Application/Interview).
- Background in working within programme/project/change environments and knowledge of accreditation processes in HE and professional bodies (Application/Interview).
- Professional teaching qualifications or membership with the HE Academy, and a Master's degree or willingness to pursue one in a related field (Application/Interview).
- Ability to contribute to income generation, research culture, and knowledge transfer in Vision Sciences/Optometry (Application/Interview).
- Innovative, proactive problem-solving skills (Application/Interview).