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.

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 a higher education environment in a relevant subject with outstanding delivery and learning support (Application/Interview).
- Experience of commercial CPD delivery (Application/Interview).
- Undergraduate degree in Optometry or equivalent in relevant area (Application).
- Registered with the General Optical Council as an Optometrist for two years minimum (Application).
- A relevant postgraduate qualification or willingness to undertake (Application).
- Ability to teach and supervise dissertations up to master's level (Application/Interview).
- Flexible and innovative approach to teaching and learning with a view to engage and inspire learners (Application/Interview).

- Experience of liaising with external organisations and professional bodies, including working to the requirements and standards of professional accreditation bodies (Application/Interview).
- Ability to undertake research and knowledge transfer (Application/Interview).
- Ability to work on own initiative as well as part of a team (Application/Interview).
- IT literate with knowledge of a range of Microsoft programmes and WebCT (or equivalent) (Application/Interview).
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills and the ability to engage with a variety of stakeholders (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)

- Evidence of publications and/or conference presentation (Application/Interview).
- Experience of the accreditation processes within HE and professional bodies (Application/Interview).
- Experience of the research environment linked to Vision Sciences / Optometry and ability to contribute to the enhancement of the research culture within the School of Medicine (Application/Interview).
- Professional teaching qualifications or membership of the HE Academy (Application).