

Research Role Profile	
Job Title:	Research Fellow A
Responsible to:	Head of research group, or principal investigator
Responsible for:	Not applicable

Job Summary and Purpose:

To undertake research in accordance with the specified research project(s) under the supervision of the principal investigator.

Main Responsibilities/Activities

To undertake a range of research activities within a specified research area, assuming responsibility for specific areas of projects and making use of new research techniques and methods, in consultation with the research award holder or supervisor. This may include fieldwork, interviews, laboratory experimentation, critical evaluation and interpretation, computer-based data analysis and evaluation or library research.

Using initiative and creativity to identify areas for research develop new research methods and extend the research portfolio. Analysing and interpreting results of own research. Write up results and prepare papers for submission to appropriate journals and conferences, and other outputs as required and/or appropriate. Attend appropriate conferences for the purpose of disseminating research results of personal development. The post holder may also contribute to writing bids for research grants and will contribute to collaborative decision making with colleagues in areas of research.

Continually to update knowledge and develop skills, and translate knowledge of advances in the area into research activity.

To plan and manage own research activity in collaboration with others. To carry out administrative tasks associated with specified research funding, for example risk assessment of research activities, organisation of project meetings and documentation. Implementation of procedures required to ensure accurate and timely formal reporting and financial control.

To contribute to teaching in the Faculty by carrying out student supervision and/or demonstrating within the post holder's area of expertise and under the direct guidance of a member of departmental academic staff, as appropriate.

The post holder may occasionally be required to supervise more junior research staff.



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Person Specification

The post holder must have:

A doctoral degree in a relevant discipline (although individuals who have almost completed a doctoral degree may be appointed). Consideration may also be given to individuals who do not hold a doctoral degree but have required skills based on a number of years experience in specified / relevant fields

The post holder will have authority over some aspects of project work and must be capable of providing academic judgement, offering original and creative thoughts and be able to interpret and analyse results.

Relationships and Contacts

Direct responsibility to the principal investigator or academic supervisor. The post holder may be asked to serve on a relevant Faculty committee. There may be additional reporting and liaison responsibilities to external funding bodies or sponsors. The post holder may work on original research tasks with colleagues in other institutions.

Special Requirements

To be available to participate in fieldwork as required by the specified research project

All staff are expected to:

- Positively support equality of opportunity and equity of treatment to colleagues and students in accordance with the University of Surrey Equal Opportunities policy.
- Help maintain a safe working environment by:
 - Attending training in Health and Safety requirements as necessary, both on appointment and as changes in duties and techniques demand
 - Following local codes of safe working practices and the University of Surrey Health and Safety Policy
- Undertake such other duties within the scope of the post as may be requested by your Manager.



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Addendum to Role Profile

Job Title:	Research Fellow (1A)
Job Title:	Research Fellow (1A)

Job Summary and Purpose:

This information sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying generic Research RA1A Role Profile and will be used for shortlisting processes. More specifically the post holder will be expected to:

We are seeking a highly motivated Research Fellow wishing to advance their career in a research-driven, interdisciplinary environment, beginning 1 July 2023 or soon after, for 12 months. The Fellow will support the Principal Investigator Dr Lirong Liu and Professor Angela Druckman in delivering the Horizon Europe funded project WISE HORIZONS: Wellbeing, Inclusion and Sustainability & the Economy. The project offers an excellent opportunity to develop research expertise in a collaborative project by working with an interdisciplinary team involving international and UK partners.

The Research Fellow will carry out research for the project that is finding out what sustainable lifestyle will look like in 2050. You will focus predominantly on combine subjective wellbeing, environmental impact, and time use data to develop a database for a variety of countries, showing how characteristics have changed over time. You will extrapolate subjective wellbeing and environmental impacts for different scenarios of time use and production intensities. Your work will also include literature reviews, data analysis, writing reports, supporting project management, as well as liaising with team members (external and internal). Travel may be required within the UK and EU.

The successful candidate will have a PhD in Environment, Sustainability or a related discipline, data analysis skills, and ideally have some expertise in sustainable lifestyle and related quantitative skills.

For further information, contact Dr Lirong Liu at lirong.liu@surrey.ac.uk

Main Responsibilities/Activities

To assume responsibilities for specified areas of the project in consultation with the project PI;

To identify potential opportunities for further research and expand the research portfolio;

To write up and prepare papers for journal publication, and/or conference presentation and attend conferences where appropriate for dissemination of project outcomes;

To supervise occasionally junior staff or research students.



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Person Specification

The post holder must have:

A doctoral degree or have submitted a thesis for examination of the PhD award but the outcome is awaited:

The post holder will have authority over some aspects of project work and must be capable of providing academic judgement, offering original and creative thoughts and be able to interpret and analyse results.

Relationships and Contacts

Direct responsibility to the principal investigator or academic supervisor. The post holder may be asked to serve on a relevant Faculty committee. There may be additional reporting and liaison responsibilities to external funding bodies or sponsors. The post holder may work on original research tasks with colleagues in other institutions.