

Academic Role Profile Reader/Professor in Health Economics Responsible to: Head of Department of Clinical and Experimental Medicine Responsible for: Research staff employed on programmes and awards directed by the post holder. May have supervisory responsibility for other staff.

Job Summary and Purpose

To develop and lead a significant programme of research in line with the Faculty's research strategy, attracting and securing significant research funds.

To provide academic leadership in undergraduate and postgraduate courses within area of expertise.

Main Responsibilities/Activities

To develop the research activities of the Faculty and the University by:

Leading a significant programme of research, sustaining an extensive track record of published research findings in appropriate, peer reviewed research journals and/or monographs to maintain and enhance expert reputation in own subject area.

Planning, co-ordinating and leading a significant programme of research in accordance with a specific project plan through a research team or a group of staff involved in research. Managing the financial and physical resources associated with the research activities. Supervising and guiding the work of staff and research and doctoral students on own specialist area.

Leading innovative research proposals and submitting funding bids, winning support for them and planning the research to be taken, as a self-contained item or as part of a broader programme. Obtaining and sustaining research, consultancy and other additional funding

Seeking collaborative research opportunities with other members of Faculty staff and develop multidisciplinary research links with other parts of the University where appropriate.

Developing research activities which extend current thinking in the subject area, thereby enhancing the reputation of the Faculty and the University.

Maintaining an expert reputation in own subject area and providing appropriate guidance to staff and students

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Attending appropriate national and international conferences for the purpose of disseminating research results.

Leading major funding bids which develop and sustain research support for the specialist area and advance the reputation of the Faculty and the University.

Sustaining and developing professional expertise and maintaining the requirements for registration with the appropriate body (for academics with clinical links only).

Contributing to the wider national and international academic community general life and work of the University through, for example, editing journals and refereeing papers.

To develop the teaching activities of the Faculty by:

Providing academic leadership at undergraduate and/or postgraduate level, as appropriate, by leading the development of new teaching methods and designing programme units and taking responsibility for the quality of programme units.

Taking an active role in teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate level; planning, delivering and critically reviewing a range of teaching and assessment activities including lectures.

Setting/marking programme work, practical sessions, supervisions, fieldwork and examinations according to own area of subject specialism, and providing appropriate feedback to students.

Taking part in activities such as validating and examining in relation to the University's associated institutions.

To engage in scholarship by:

Continually updating knowledge and understanding in the field or specialism. Extending, transforming and applying knowledge acquired from scholarship to teaching, research and appropriate external activities.

To undertake pastoral care of students by:

Using listening, interpersonal and pastoral care skills to deal with sensitive issues concerning students and provide support. Appreciating the needs of individual students and their circumstances. Acting as personal tutor and giving first line support. Taking responsibility for the initial resolution of all student issues within and outwith standard procedures and ensuring that an appropriate framework is developed and used for pastoral care issues.

To contribute to the efficient management and administration of the Faculty, the University and the wider academic community by:

Performing personal administrative duties throughout the Faculty and the University as are recognised by the University as properly within the remit of role of professor, such as research group leader and roles associate with teaching programmes, as allocated by the Head of Department and contributing to the general life and work of the University.

Advising, supervising and giving guidance to other staff. Taking overall responsibility for the



welfare of staff drawing on specialist advice and support.

Person Specification

The post holder must have:

A higher professional qualification, normally a doctoral degree or equivalent

Outstanding qualities and achievements in scholarship and research at a national and international level which have made a significant contribution to the advancement of their subject

Significant academic publication record

Evidence of leadership in research, including postgraduate research supervision

Teaching programmes, and/or internationally recognised textbooks.

Evidence of securing a significant amount of sustained research funding

Proven management and leadership qualities at a senior level

Proven administrative ability at a senior level

Evidence of contributions to conferences, professional meetings and societies at an international level and evidence of achievements in other external activities at an international level.

Evidence of high quality teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate level

Relationships and Contacts

Professors are expected to accept invitations to serve on national and international bodies, including governmental bodies. They will also be expected to contribute to the University by taking on roles that enable the University to meet its administrative needs.

To attract research funding, a Professor will be expected to liaise with existing and potential sponsors.

Teaching and administrative duties will be allocated by the Head of Department within the context of the teaching programmes agreed by the Faculty Learning and Teaching Committee

Special Requirements

The post holder is expected to work outside normal office hours as necessary.

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 Line Manager.

Addendum

This document provides additional information relating to both specific aspects of the post/Faculty and any post specific person specification criteria. The information contained within this document should always be read in conjunction with the accompanying generic Job Purpose.

Job Title: Reader/Professor in Health Economics

Background Information

This permanent university post is created to provide seamless leadership to Surrey Health Economics Centre (SHEC), taking responsibility for leading its strategic development and management as the Director.

SHEC undertakes collaborative interdisciplinary research in health economics and health service delivery, supporting applied research in the health, medicine and social care fields. Members of SHEC work variously with other researchers in the Department of Clinical and Experimental Medicine, Surrey Clinical Trials Unit, the School of Veterinary Medicine (on a global One Health agenda), the School of Economics and the wider University. SHEC leads the health and social care economics in Kent, Surrey and Sussex for the NIHR Research Design Service (RDS) and the NIHR Applied Health Collaboration (ARC).

The post holder will be responsible to:

 The Head of Department of Clinical and Experimental Medicine in the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences,

The post holder will be responsible for:

 Developing/leading and coordinating research activities relating to health economics and health service delivery.

The post holder will be expected to contribute to wider applied and translational health research opportunities where appropriate; examples include sleep, circadian rhythm, infectious disease, oncology, nutrition, mental health and digital health

They will be responsible for leading the development of innovative research proposals, identifying sources of funding, submitting funding bids, undertaking high quality research and publishing in appropriate journals.

The post holder will support the School research strategy, contribute to teaching across relevant modules, and ensuring an excellent student experience within taught sessions.

Further, they will contribute to the development of undergraduate and postgraduate teaching within the School and contribute to /provide leadership in the international recruitment of postgraduate students and the development of local, national and international collaborations.

Person Specification

This section describes the sum total of knowledge, experience & competence required by the post holder that is necessary for standard acceptable performance in carrying out this role. This is in addition to the criteria contained within the accompanying generic Job Purpose.

	Essential/ Desirable
A higher research degree (PhD) or equivalent experience in health economics or a related discipline	E

Evidence of high quality teaching and experience of curriculum development	Е
Excellent communication, inter-personal and networking skills	Е
Sustained experience of successful competitive grant funding, ideally as PI	Е
Evidence of publishing high quality research in peer-reviewed journals	Е
Successfully supervising postgraduate/ PhD students	Е
Evidence of scholarly contributions to conferences and societies at an international level, and evidence of achievements in other external activities at an international level	E
Substantial experience and proven success in economic evaluation, modelling and decision analytic skills in an UK NHS/social care/public health perspective; including appropriate design, conduct, analysis and reporting of studies.	E
Experience of collaborating in and managing multi-disciplinary teams	Е
In addition, at Professorial level	
A proven track record in research leadership; leading a significant programme of research, including involvement in applied health research, and encompassing health economics.	E
World class research performance	Е
(incl. an exceptional and continuing publication record, and a proven and continuing strong track record of external research grant income generation)	
A proven track record in academic leadership	Е

Key Responsibilities

This document is not designed to be a list of all tasks undertaken but an outline record of any faculty/post specific responsibilities (5 to 8 maximum). This should be read in conjunction with those contained within the accompanying generic Job Purpose.

- To ensure that research and programme developments are aligned to the School's vision, complementing and enhancing applied health research.
- To develop and lead a team of researchers in innovative research proposals, identify sources of funding, submit funding bids, undertake high quality research in the post-holder's area of interest and publish in appropriate journals;
- To maintain and build on existing research collaborations locally, nationally and internationally;
- To extend, transform and apply knowledge gained from research scholarship to teaching and programme development;
- To work with module leaders to deliver high quality teaching as measured through the National Student Survey and module evaluation processes;
- Provide leadership in the national and international recruitment of postgraduate students and the development of international collaborations
- To contribute to programme management meetings and discussions enhancing Surrey's contribution to within the recently established NIHR Applied Research Collaboration across Kent, Surrey and Sussex, leading the Health Economics theme.

N.B. The above list is not exhaustive.