

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Lecturer in Development Economics/Development Studies

Grade: AC2

Department: Livelihoods and Institutions Department, NRI

Responsible to: Prof Vegard Iversen, Head of Livelihoods and Institutions Department

Key Contacts:

Standard Occupational Classification (SoC code): 2311

Non-Contractual Nature of Role Profile: This role profile is non-contractual and provided for guidance. It will be updated and amended from time to time in accordance with the changing needs of the University and the requirements of the job.

PURPOSE OF ROLE

The Livelihoods and Institutions Department at NRI is seeking to appoint a Lecturer in Development Economics/Development Studies: this will be a permanent, full-time appointment.

The Lecturer will be from an economics or other social science background with strong quantitative research skills and a proven capacity to conduct independent empirical research using modern impact evaluation techniques and other advanced analytical approaches. The ideal candidate will have extensive experience using statistical software such as Stata or R and be familiar with widely used secondary data sets such as LSMS, DHS, ACLED or more country-specific data-sets such as India's IHDS or Indonesia's IFLS. In addition, applicants will be expected to have significant interdisciplinary and mixed-methods primary data collection experience and to show promise of a strong international publications record.

Thematically, applicants should have experience in and knowledge of interdisciplinary, applied research on conflict and fragility in low-income settings, on climate change and adaptation, on poverty and gender or other inequality or on other related and pressing rural and other development challenges and themes.

The candidate will be expected to embrace NRI's and the University of Greenwich's core values of undertaking interdisciplinary, collaborative and impactful research being part of interdisciplinary and diverse teams and in equitable research partnerships involving academic, civil society and

grassroots institutions and/or colleagues both in the UK and across the Globe.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

Team Specific:

- Undertake social science/economics research that meets the highest international standards.
- Develop new research ideas and write or co-write high quality research proposals in response to UK research council, British Academy and similar international and other research opportunity calls.
- Be open and willing to contribute to and undertake more practical development-related assessments and other assignments.
- Participate in the shaping of and contribute to delivering NRI's postgraduate teaching and PhD-supervision.
- Maintain high quality, productive and equitable working relationships with NRI colleagues and partners from across the Globe.

Generic:

- Research: To work towards a high professional standing within the discipline, further develop research skills and publish regularly in leading academic journals.
- Represent NRI and University of Greenwich in relevant fora and in project meetings with partners.
- Be willing to travel and lead on and participate in data collection and other research activities across the Globe.
- Take part in other NRI and Faculty activities as required.

Managing Self:

- Be able to work effectively both independently and as part of multicultural, multi-site social science and science teams.
- Be able to meet deadlines.
- Be familiar with key literature and be able to identify literature in areas that are less familiar.
- Regularly communicate progress to colleagues and relevant parties and stakeholders.

Core Requirements:

- Commitment to key strategic priorities of NRI, the Faculty and University.
- Adhere to and promote the University's policies on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and Information Security.
- Ensure compliance with Health & Safety and Data Protection Legislation.
- Support and promote the university's Sustainability policies, including the Carbon Management Plan, and carry out duties in a resource

efficient way, recognising the shared responsibility of minimising the university's negative environmental impacts wherever possible.

- Adhere to current legal requirements and best practice relating to digital content and accessibility, including Web Content Accessibility Guidelines when creating digital content.

Additional Requirements:

To undertake any other duties commensurate with the post and grade as agreed with the Head of Department and the PVC of the Faculty.

This is a professional, demanding role within a complex organisation with an ambitious strategic plan and agenda for change. The role holder will be expected to show flexibility in working arrangements, including working hours, to ensure that NRI delivers the required level of service.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

- Meet project deadlines, including deadlines for data preparation and analysis, publications, presentations, research group meetings, etc., within agreed timelines and targets.
- Development of and familiarity with relevant literature.
- Publication of research findings in leading international peer-reviewed journals.
- Work effectively with a wide variety of project partners to produce research and other outputs.

KEY RELATIONSHIPS (Internal & External):

- Academic colleagues.
- Head of Department.
- NRI administrative and technical staff.
- Project partners from across the Globe.
- Project stakeholders in different institutional environments and at a variety of levels.
- Research community in area of subject specialism.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

EXPERIENCE:

Essential Criteria

- Managing and analysing large-scale household survey and other developing country data.
- Conducting geo-spatial analysis.
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SKILLS:

Essential Criteria

- Excellent econometric/statistical skills.
- Advanced use of Stata or other statistical software.
- Strong analytical, empirical and writing skills.
- Strong ability to work in large, multi-site teams.
- Fluency in English.

Desirable Criteria

- Ability to use theory in policy relevant ways.
- Ability to work with low-level supervision.
- Ability to draft research papers.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Essential Criteria

- PhD in development economics or a closely related social science discipline.

Desirable Criteria

- n/a

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES:

Essential Criteria

- We are looking for people who can help us deliver the [values](#) of the University of Greenwich: Inclusive, Collaborative and Impactful.

Desirable Criteria

- n/a