# Faculty of Education, Health and Human Sciences



# Welcome from the

# **Pro Vice-Chancellor and Executive Dean**

The University of Greenwich is a very special place to work and is rightly proud of its heritage in providing transformative experiences for students from all walks of life. We are proud of our high standards of applied research and enterprise which support global health education and wellbeing, social impact and sustainability.

As we move into a new era, we are passionate and focused on the future and our collective ambition is to become the best modern university in the UK by 2030. We will achieve this by focusing on student experience and success, investing in our knowledge exchange capability and building upon our existing achievements in applied, impactful research.

The Faculty educates the professionals that society needs, and our success is founded upon successful partnerships with many health, education, local government, NGO and third sector organisations, along with many professional regulatory bodies. We have sector leading facilities such as the Greenwich Learning and Simulation

Centre (GLASC) and attract talent on a global scale. We are particularly proud of our diverse student and staff body and our explicit commitment to equality, equity and inclusion.

We are seeking an outstanding individual join us in support of our ambitious strategic plans. If you have drive, commitment, professional credibility and share our passion for higher education and its power to change lives for the better, I encourage you to apply for the position.

Thank you for expressing interest in joining the community of the Faculty of Education, Health and Human sciences and making a real difference in the world.

Professor Derek Moore
Pro Vice-Chancellor and Executive Dean



# **University of Greenwich**

Greenwich has a long and rich history which forms the backdrop and inspiration for today's university. The university takes its name from the Royal Borough of Greenwich in London but is hosted on three main campuses across London and Kent. The Faculty of Education Health and Human Sciences teaches on all three of these campuses - the magnificent Greenwich Campus whose buildings were designed at the end of the 17th century by Sir Christopher Wren, one of Britain's greatest architects; The Avery Hill campus that hosts the Greenwich Learning and Simulation Centre (GLASC), and the university sports grounds, and the Chatham Maritime Campus, the former Royal Navy base in Medway, Kent.

#### Our vision, our values and our strategy

# Our vision for 2030 is to be the best modern university in the UK.

Our university is a community of people from many walks of life. We take pride in the diversity of our subject expertise, the lived experience of our staff, students and alumni, and the diversity of campus experiences we offer. This diversity is our strength and enables us to say we are a university that empowers others to make a difference locally, regionally, nationally and internationally, with equal intensity.

What makes the university distinctive is that we proactively support our students and staff to achieve their ambitions because of, rather than despite, their backgrounds.

The University of Greenwich Strategy is driven by the vision of Education without Boundaries, underpinned by the values of inclusivity, collaboration and impact and principles of creating opportunities, building partnerships and delivering impact.

We're proud to have achieved Gold in the most recent teaching excellence framework (TEF) exercise and named 20th in Stonewall's Top 100 Employers list.

#### The university has four strategic priorities:

- · Student Success
- · Inclusivity and Culture
- Research and Knowledge Exchange
- Connected Sustainable Campuses

#### **Education Without Boundaries means:**

- Widening access to higher education for individuals who may otherwise not aspire to experience and benefit from it.
- Fighting for improved social mobility and equality, diversity and inclusion in everything that we do.
- Empowering our students to use their lived experience to stand out in their chosen vocation in the workplaces of tomorrow.
- Empowering our staff to innovate in a way that makes a difference academically, commercially and socially.
- Providing physical and digital campus services that foster a sense of community to build networks, peers, friends and connections that set our students up for life.
- Breaking down boundaries that exist within and between academic disciplines, locations and borders.
- Ensuring an equitable focus on local (civic), regional, national and global agendas.





# Class rating by the People & Planet University League for our environmental

(People & Planet University League 2023/24)

and ethical performance

Gold

Queen's
Anniversary
Prizes for
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Education



# Great things about the University of Greenwich

We have more than 130 years of experience providing quality education.

We have won five Queen's Anniversary Prizes for Higher and Further Education. These include a prize for our Natural Resources Institute's ground-breaking work to find smart solutions for pest control in the developing world.

Our Greenwich Campus is based on a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Among our Times Higher Education awards are prizes for Most Innovative Teacher and Outstanding Contribution to Innovation and Technology.

Nobel Prize winner Professor Charles Kao, pioneer of fibre optics, was educated here.

We are proud of the diversity of our international student body and our engagement in transnational education. In 2020/21 (the latest figures available), we had around 14,000 students studying in institutions outside the UK, and 30% of our UK-based students were domiciled in other countries.

In 2018, we established the University of Greenwich International College (UGIC) in partnership with Oxford International. Located in Greenwich, UGIC is an embedded college which offers an exciting range of courses for international students leading to progression to the university.

We've a 1st class environment rating from the People & Planet University League for our environmental and ethical performance.

The university is well positioned for attracting students. QS Best Student Cities named London as the world's most student-friendly city in its 2024 rankings.

We are constantly improving our buildings and facilities to give our students a better university experience. Recent changes include a new home for UGIC that provides more space for teaching and studying and an eco-friendly heating system on Avery Hill Campus.

Our academic staff includes recipients of the prestigious National Teaching Fellowship, which recognises and rewards individual excellence in teaching in higher education.

We have won two Guardian University Awards for Research Impact, recognising our world-class teaching and research within the higher education sector.

Our life-saving research includes projects to reduce loss of life during fire evacuations and to develop ways to combat pests and diseases.

Our alumni excel in every walk of life.

# Faculty of Education, Health and Human Sciences

### This is our Time, University of Greenwich Strategy 2030

The Faculty has a large, diverse and energetic community and consists of three schools: Education, Health Sciences and Human Sciences that oversee our course delivery, enhanced by our multidisciplinary Institute for Lifecourse Development that leads on research and knowledge exchange. The Faculty has an annual income of £58m (23/24) and has almost 5500 students from the UK and overseas, and over 330 academic, professional services and technical colleagues.

Inclusivity and culture are a strategic priority, and we invest in supporting and developing our staff, continuously striving to create a culture where everyone feels valued, and opportunities are equal. Our values are to be inclusive, collaborative and impactful and we embed equality, diversity and inclusion throughout all of our structures, processes and behaviours.

Our students choose from a wide variety of professional, vocational undergraduate and postgraduate courses in education and teaching, the four branches of nursing, midwifery, paramedic science, physiotherapy, speech and language therapy, public health, social work, counselling, psychology and physical exercise and sports sciences. The programmes we offer lead to a wide choice of worthwhile and socially valuable careers, and professional bodies and employers often commend the quality of our students. There continues to be a high demand for our professional training courses with increasing applications year on year. We also offer apprenticeships and a wide range of continuing professional development courses, and have strong links with our partners in education, health, local government, NGOs and industry who help ensure that our curricula are up to date and aligned to employers' needs. The majority of our courses are accredited by relevant professional bodies.

We have a range of excellent teaching facilities, lectures rooms, smaller specialist active learning spaces and lead the way in simulated learning. In 2021 we opened the Greenwich Learning and Simulation Centre (GLASC). Here, through a combination of realistic healthcare environments (operating theatre, hospital wards etc.) and virtual and mixed reality with life-like mannequins and video feedback, our students can work through evolving scenarios to challenge and develop their practice. Researchers also can use the spaces to systematically observe and change

healthcare environments and scenarios to improve, test and develop knowledge and practice in their professional fields.

The quality of our provision is reflected in our strong national and international reputation in teaching, research and professional practice, evidenced in consistent positive student satisfaction (83%, average 22/23 NSS), good continuity (88%), high employability (84%), and a significant and growing impact in research and knowledge exchange.

We are 3rd in the UK in Nursing in the recent Daily Mail University Guide and our innovation in teaching and learning contributed significantly to the University TEF Gold award in 2023 and our excellence in research led to a strong return in REF2021 in Allied health professionals (UoA3) coming 37th in research power in the UK with research environment that was 100% world leading and internationally excellent.

Through our research, training, practice and partnerships we are ensuring we contribute to the UN sustainable development goals of good health, good education and tackling inequalities to deliver significant local and global benefits. Many of the health, education and human issues that individuals and communities face are multi-faceted and require integrative, complex, multi-professional interventions and evaluations, undertaken in partnership with many agencies, in close collaboration with communities and user groups. As we look ahead in developing teaching, research, knowledge exchange and professional practice, we are in an excellent position to be innovative and to deliver and integrate our activities, working in partnership with our stakeholders and communities. We are committed to delivering high quality technology-informed and sophisticated training and education to produce graduates who can deliver more effective treatment, more effective learning, and improved wellbeing across the life-course.

#### Schools/institutes within the Faculty of Education, Health and Human Sciences

- · School of Education
- · School of Health Sciences
- · School of Human Sciences
- · Institute for Lifecourse Development



# **Our Schools**

#### Health

The School of Health Sciences is part of the highly successful and vibrant Faculty for Education, Health, and Human Sciences. The faculty has a strong focus on professional and workforce development. Crossprofessional collaboration is at the heart of what we do. Frequently commended for our partnership working across the sector, the school delivers a range of undergraduate and post graduate courses leading to registration in nursing, midwifery, and allied healthcare professions. The university has invested massively in globally acclaimed state-of-the-art simulation centres, which have recently been nominated and won national awards thus enabling us to enhance our innovative teaching.

In partnership with many NHS trusts, private and voluntary organisations, the School of Health Sciences delivers training and education in a wide range of health professions with large established programmes in multiple branches of Nursing (Adult, Children, Learning Disability, Mental Health, Public Health), Midwifery and Paramedic Science as well as expanding programmes in Speech and Language Therapy, Operating Department Practice and Physiotherapy, placing students across Kent and London. The school also offers a wide range of CPD courses to upskill health professionals. We are increasing provision in apprenticeships and in advanced practice, in response to employer and work force development demands, in the coming year. We have a successful record in securing contracts enabling us to deliver critical care courses.

#### Education

The School of Education represents a continuation of high-quality teacher training started in 1906 at Avery Hill College. We are a thriving school of around 50 academic staff and over 1000 students here and abroad, with programmes from early years, through primary, secondary and further education, into Masters and doctoral levels. At our two campuses we have specialist teaching facilities including 3G pitches and a sports hall, a dedicated science lab, an early years practice room, a music room, and an art and design studio.

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The School of Education works in partnership with a broad range of over 200 educational settings across London and the Southeast of England each year, providing placement opportunities for our teacher training students, and the school currently works in partnership with colleagues at the University of Derby. These partnerships are maintained and developed through extensive mentor training, conferences at the university, and our collaborative approach to programme design and delivery, which was recently recognised as good in all four phases by Ofsted. We were also recognised for our clear moral purpose, our high-quality training, our commitment to EDI and serving disadvantaged communities, as well as the excellent 'Greenwich family' of educators working across the region. The school has international reach through our partnerships in Malaysia and our innovative online iPGCE, and we are continuing to extend this international provision.

Each year the school produces around 300 early years professionals, teachers and lecturers. We maintain our excellent employability through annual recruitment fairs, and an approach which ensures that the brightest and best previous students seek to mentor new trainees into the educational professions. Our traditional academic programmes provide employment routes into educational, local authority, and a range of other careers, as well as pathways to postgraduate study and professional accreditation in related fields within the wider faculty.

In addition to our doctoral and Masters level research, the school's impactful education, research and knowledge exchange includes work such as police and youth community projects, the study of research evaluation and policy within higher education, early years practice, children's literacy, international CPD in numeracy, pedagogy in science, and research and projects that impact upon EDI within the wider education sector. We work in partnership with the local Teaching School Hub, UCET and a range of other national and political organisations to help shape the education policy nationally.

As a School of Education, we are rightly proud of our long history and place within the educational sector.

#### **Human Sciences**

The School of Human Sciences offers innovative learning and impactful research for a diverse student body delivered by staff from across the world. The School encompasses a unique combination of academic and professional disciplines, creating exciting cross-disciplinary collaboration opportunities, that draw inspiration from our extensive external partnerships. As pioneers of counselling degree programmes in the country, we continue to focus on Clarkson's integrative model.

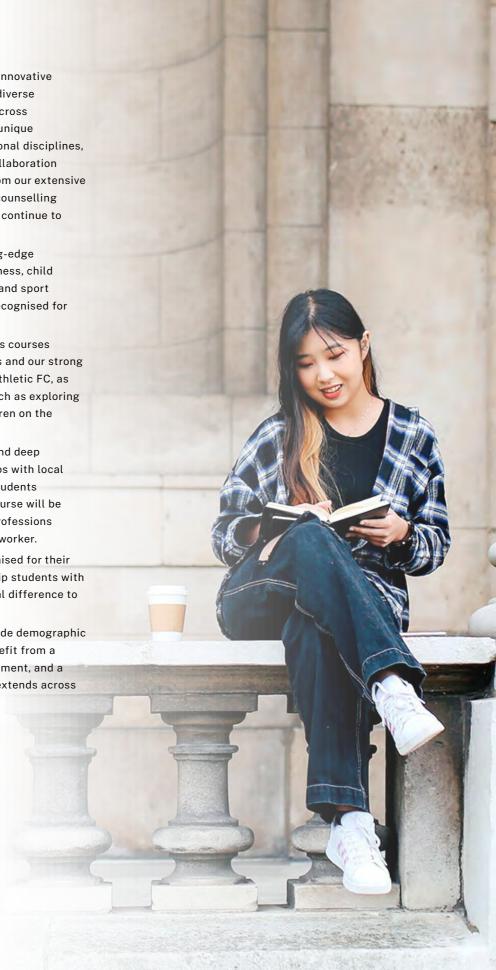
Our psychology team delivers a cutting-edge education – with options to study business, child and adolescent, counselling, forensic, and sport psychology in greater depth – and is recognised for the strength of its research output.

Students on our PE and sports sciences courses benefit from on-campus sports pitches and our strong links with partners such as Charlton Athletic FC, as well as specialist research projects such as exploring the benefits of dance therapy for children on the autistic spectrum.

Our social work studies utilise broad and deep professional networks and relationships with local communities and organisations, and students successfully completing the degree course will be able to apply to the Health and Care Professions Council to become a registered social worker.

And our public health courses – recognised for their relevance in the UK and globally – equip students with the knowledge and skills to make a real difference to the world around them.

Our courses attract students from a wide demographic and professional background, who benefit from a strong and supportive learning environment, and a friendly and collegiate approach that extends across both the student cohort and the staff.



# Our Research

# Our Research and Knowledge Exchange

The Faculty has a thriving research and knowledge exchange community. Our research and knowledge exchange work seeks to address the biggest challenges now facing societies in the UK and globally. The Institute for Lifecourse Development (ILD) works with our Schools of Education, Health Sciences, and Human Sciences, across the university, and with our partners to develop truly ground-breaking cross-professional and interdisciplinary approaches to research and practice that can have a major impact in addressing health, educational, social and economic challenges faced by society. This is a central pathway for delivering the key strategic aims of the university, and to transform lives through impactful research and knowledge exchange.

The Institute's core themes are directly linked with wider agendas to address "grand challenges" across the life course, which increasingly are priorities to funders, governments and the public. The recent UK government industrial strategy takes this approach, and lays out key grand challenges for the UK, in terms of building productivity and wellbeing and includes the themes of sustainable health and wellbeing and healthy ageing. A driver for the development of these grand challenge frameworks is to help articulate how, along with other research groupings, the university is contributing to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The Institute is a key vehicle for articulating to external partners and funders where our strengths lie, and creating a more thriving research environment with a clearer, externally facing direction and purpose, with particular focus on the goals of Good Health & Wellbeing (Goal 3), Quality Education (Goal 4), Gender Equality (Goal 5), Reduced Inequalities (Goal 10), Peace Justice and Strong Institutions (Goal 16), and Strong Partnerships for the Goals (Goal 17), working towards Decent Work and Economic Growth (Goal 8) for Sustainable Cities and Communities (Goal 11).



# Benefits of working with us

#### Community and Staff

The University of Greenwich is a large university with three attractive campuses in London and Kent. We combine strong regional, national and international links with excellence in applied research and a mission for access.

The university has achieved considerable growth in the last 20 years to become a major player in the education sector, with a turnover of £300 million and over 28,000 students, 21% of them postgraduate. The university is proud of its diverse student body, with a broad range of students from black and other minority ethnic communities, a high proportion of mature students and broadly equal numbers of men and women.

Our staff share our vision and passion for transforming lives through inspired teaching and research and are committed to our values and behaviours.

## **Diversity Networks and Groups** at the University of Greenwich

We are proud to have four Staff Networks and Groups for staff across both academic and professional roles. The purpose of Staff Communities is to provide a safe, supportive and confidential forum for sharing experiences, networking and discussing identified issues that affect members of staff across the university; agree and implement possible solutions and make recommendations to senior stakeholders and the EDI Committee. It also intends to promote the interests of the diverse staff, raise awareness about diversity and inclusion and make input into the policies and practices of the university.

#### **Our Staff Networks and Groups**

**LGBT+ Staff Community Disabled Staff Community BAME Staff Network Women Staff Network** 

#### More reasons to join our team

We offer some of the most competitive salaries in the public sector based on incremental pay scales and annual pay awards. We pay London Weighting to staff at our Greenwich and Avery Hill campuses and provide other special allowances to staff where appropriate.

We want our staff to enjoy a healthy work and life balance. Annual leave entitlements vary depending on your position and years of service, ranging from 26 to 35 days. In addition, you get eight days' statutory holidays, and most staff benefit from extra leave over the Christmas and New Year break. Administrative and support staff normally work 35 hours a week, and we are always willing to explore hybrid working, parttime working and job-sharing arrangements.

It is not just our students who have an opportunity to learn, study and develop. Our staff do too. Our Learning and Development Unit runs a range of training and development sessions to help staff become fully proficient in their roles and develop their careers. Teachers new to the profession get help through access to PGCerts and a variety of induction and training events. Staff are encouraged to make use of our programmes and courses for their own development; many full-time and part-time staff study for degrees and attend other university courses free of charge.

# How to apply

This is an exciting time to join us. If you share our commitment to Education Without Boundaries, we want to hear from you. Please review the full job description, candidate specification, role descriptors and details of how to apply, by clicking on the link in the advert.

Should you wish to have an informal conversation regarding this post, or have queries about the application process, please contact the People Directorate Operations team at peopleoperationsfehhs@gre.ac.uk in the first instance.



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