Further Particulars

This document includes information about the role for which you are applying and the information you will need to provide with the application.

1. Role details

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<td>Salary:</td>
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2. Summary of duties

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The person appointed will be expected to contribute to teaching and research of the Faculty and University in the following ways:

Research
- Within the framework of the University and Faculty research strategy, conduct research in Politics and International Studies.

Teaching
- Make a leading contribution to the further development of the distance learning curriculum in Politics and International Studies.
- Make a significant contribution to the maintenance of the distance learning curriculum in Politics and International Studies modules as appropriate, including modules at Level 1 (including DD103 Investigating the Social World); Level 2 (DD211 Understanding Politics); and Level 3 (DD313 International Relations and DD316: Living Political Ideas).

Administration
- Carry out teaching and research related administration as directed by the relevant Head of School in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

3. Person specification

Essential criteria:
- A PhD in Politics or International Studies, or a closely related field (or a doctorate shortly to be awarded).
- An established or developing record of excellence in research and publication in Politics or International Studies, including REF-quality publications and plans for income generation and research impact.
- A record of, or demonstrated potential for, excellent teaching in Higher Education.
- Evidence of an ability to work collaboratively and with versatility as part of a team.
- A commitment to interdisciplinary working.
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- A commitment to equal opportunities policies and practices.
- A commitment to Open University values.

Desirable criteria:
- Research expertise in any subfield in Politics and International Studies
- An understanding of the demands of online and particularly distance teaching and learning and of collegial working.
- Evidence of an ability to undertake independent work to tight deadlines.
- Expertise in technology-enhanced learning and/or the use of multi-media technologies in teaching.
4. Role specific requirements e.g. Shift working

N/A

5. About the unit/department

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS)

The Faculty is the largest and most diverse at The Open University, with some 50,000 students studying our modules with excellent completion rates and consistently outstanding student satisfaction ratings. Noted for the strength of our interdisciplinary approaches, our scholars of international standing teach and research a very wide range of topics and themes in specific subject areas, recognized as world class or internationally excellent in the latest Research Excellence Framework (REF) in 2014, and having a direct and profound influence on our undergraduate and postgraduate teaching.

From 1 August 2019, the Faculty will be organised into three Schools:

- School of Arts and Humanities
- School of Social Sciences and Global Studies
- School of Psychology & Counselling

Students are supported by three Student Support Teams. These teams offer specialist study support to students undertaking our qualifications across the University. Members of academic staff, including academics based in all four nations of the UK, form part of these teams in sustaining and improving student progression and retention.

The Faculty works closely with important organisations and institutions in the UK and other parts of the world in a range of validated partnerships and collaborations. Engaged in world-class, agenda setting research tackling the most difficult challenges facing us in the 21st Century, with work in numerous subject-based and interdisciplinary research groups and projects.

With c.1800 members of staff comprising academics, associate lecturers, support staff and full-time research students working across the locations of the University, combining originality and innovation in research and curriculum, the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences is a vibrant and exciting place to study and work.

To find out more about the Faculty’s teaching, learning and research, please visit: http://fass.open.ac.uk/ or for general research at the OU, visit http://www.open.ac.uk/research/

The Department of Politics and International Studies (POLIS)

POLIS is committed to creating and sustaining a Politics and International Studies curriculum with a strong interdisciplinary flavour. National student satisfaction surveys show that the Department consistently produces modules that our students value very highly. The Department is also a vibrant centre for research, with ongoing projects in (e.g.) security studies, enacting citizenship, the politics of development, environmental politics, European politics, globalisation, democracy, feminism and sovereignty. In recent years POLIS has hosted major international research initiatives, including the EU Framework 7 project ENACT (Enacting European Citizenship), the European Research Council funded programme
OECUMENE (Citizenship After Orientalism), and the International Collaboratory on Critical Methods in Security Studies.

POLIS leads the development of modules for the University's BA/BSc (Hons) International Studies, working closely with colleagues in Geography, Development Studies and environmental studies. It also develops modules for undergraduate qualifications in Social Science and in Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) and in History and Politics.

Open University teaching involves working closely with colleagues in module teams to produce and present teaching modules based on high quality written, audio-visual and online materials. Reading and discussing the work of other members of the module team is central to this role. OU academics need to be able to work closely with colleagues as well as to plan and undertake independent work to deadlines. They also are expected to be open to working across traditional disciplinary boundaries.

Further details on The Department and members of academic staff are available at:

http://www.open.ac.uk/socialsciences/about-the-faculty/departments/politics/politics.php

6. How to obtain more information about the role or application process

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the Resourcing Hub on 01908 (6) 55544 or by email Resourcing-Hub@open.ac.uk quoting the reference number 16066.

7. The application process and where to send completed applications

Please ensure that your application reaches the University by: noon on 11th June 2019

- A completed application form (short version).
- A covering letter or statement indicating your suitability for this position and how you could contribute to the teaching and research in the Department. Please ensure you provide relevant examples as evidence to support your statements and restrict your covering letter to no more than two sides of A4 paper.
- A curriculum vitae that includes details of academic qualifications, teaching, management and research experience, grants received and publications.
8. Selection process and date of interview

The interview panel has yet to be confirmed
Interview dates have yet to be confirmed
We will let you know as soon as possible after the closing date whether you have been shortlisted for interview. Further details on the selection process will also be sent to shortlisted candidates.

Applications received after the closing date will not be accepted.