THE POST

College/Service:	**College of Social Sciences and International Studies**
Post:	**Lecturer (Education and Research) in History of the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula**
Reference No:	**R12795**
Grade:	**F**
Reporting to:	**Head of Department**

The above full time post is available from 1st September 2019 in the College of Social Sciences and International Studies.

Job Description

Main duties and accountabilities

1. To fulfil research, teaching and administration duties as a lecturer in modern and contemporary history of the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula, and other regions and states synchronically and diachronically related to these.

2. To extend the research profile of Gulf Studies and related areas, attracting and supervising postdoctoral researchers and postgraduate research students.

3. To collaborate with colleagues both within the College and the University of Exeter as a whole in order to develop and support Gulf Studies research programmes and the College's research programme.

4. To work closely with the Director of the Centre for Gulf Studies to develop the research strategy and programme as well as teaching delivery of the Centre.

5. To contribute to the general operation of the College as a member of its academic team.

Research

1. To conduct independent research and act as principal investigator and project leader, and in so doing:
    - Enhance the College's international reputation through producing research publications of appropriate quantity and quality, and contributing to worldwide debate at national and international conferences, and
    - Win research earnings through carefully prepared and successful grant applications as well as identifying potential income-generating programmes and collaborative partnerships.

2. To supervise research projects, managing any dedicated research staff and postgraduate research students, and provide the mentorship to enable staff and students to develop their skills and academic careers.
3. To help promote a collegiate working atmosphere and stimulating environment that will attract further research staff of the highest quality as well as good postgraduate research students.
4. To contribute to the further and on-going development of Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies research in the Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies (IAIS) at Exeter.

Teaching

To deliver undergraduate and postgraduate courses to appropriate academic standards such that:

1. Knowledge acquired from research translates to teaching; in particular the successful candidate will be expected to contribute to teaching in social sciences and humanities modules relating to Middle East Studies in general, and Gulf Studies in particular, with involvement in modules relating to these fields. In due course, the candidate will design and deliver his/her own modules. It is expected that the candidate will make a contribution to the Institute's MA programmes in Islamic Studies and Middle Eastern Studies, especially in the Gulf Studies pathway.
2. Students are challenged but also tutored and supported with individual care.
3. Teaching and learning techniques are innovative and inspiring.
4. Students are supervised appropriately.
5. Assessment criteria are appropriate and fairly applied with results fed back to students appropriately.
6. Module content is continuously reviewed to identify areas for improvement.

General

To contribute to the overall general and academic management in the College by undertaking activities that may be required such as:

1. Developing overall academic content and structure of modules with colleagues.
2. Developing ideas for generating income and promoting both the College in general and Gulf Studies in particular. Candidates with the appropriate expertise will be expected to play a full role in the Institute's centres and clusters such as the Centre for Gulf Studies.
3. Supporting admissions processes and procedures.
4. Supporting examinations processes and procedures.
5. Contributing to the work of College committees.
6. Contributing to accreditation and quality control processes.
7. Contributing to strategic planning.

This job description summarises the main duties and accountabilities of the post and is not comprehensive: the post-holder may be required to undertake other duties of similar level and responsibility.

We are very keen to sustain a strong academic community where people share and collaborate in research and where student feel part of a vibrant academic culture. Therefore we expect that, in general, you will be physically present at the University at least four days a week during term time. This will enable you to become part of this community and be supported and enriched by it.

Person Specification

The successful applicant will have an independent research programme that will strengthen and complement the existing team at the Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies. He/she will be able to demonstrate the following qualities and characteristics:

1. PhD in any discipline in History, the Social Sciences, Middle East Studies or related fields.
2. Proficiency in Modern Standard Arabic and/or other relevant languages is highly desirable.
3. Requisite knowledge of their Humanities and/or Social Sciences specialism to develop teaching and research programmes in this field.
4. A demonstrable potential to attract research funding.
5. A strong publications record and plans for developing an international profile in the field.
6. Teamwork skills to work in collaboration with existing group members.
7. An active and supportive approach to inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary research that will help to foster interactions and links both within IAIS, the University and externally with other educational bodies, professional institutions and employers.
8. The attitude and ability to engage in continuous professional development.
9. The aptitude to develop familiarity with a variety of strategies to promote and assess learning.
10. Enthusiasm for delivering undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.

Informal Inquiries

Before submitting an application you may wish to discuss the post further by contacting Professor William Gallois, telephone (01392 725253) or email w.gallois@exeter.ac.uk.

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Further Information

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