

## Job Description

General Details	
Job title:	Lecturer/Senior Lecturer Games Programming (CDT18-09)
Faculty/School/Service:	School of Computing & Digital Technologies
Normal Workbase:	Stoke-on-Trent
Tenure:	Permanent
Hours/FTE:	1.0 FTE
Grade/Salary:	Grade 7/8
Date Prepared:	May 2019

Job Purpose
<p>As Lecturer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To contribute to the development and delivery of academic provision in the Department of Games and Visual Effects including associated academic operational responsibilities as required.</li> <li>To support the development and implementation of strategic initiatives</li> </ul> <p>As Senior Lecturer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To play a key role in the development and delivery of academic provision to undergraduate and postgraduate students, specifically in the area of (<i>academic discipline</i>) and related disciplines.</li> <li>To undertake operational management responsibilities as allocated by the Head of Department</li> <li>To contribute to University led and/or School initiatives and developments in line with strategic business development plans</li> <li>To participate in research, knowledge exchange and public engagement to enhance the reputation of the University</li> </ul>

Relationships
Reporting to: Head of Department, Games and Visual Effects
Responsible for: n/a

Main Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To teach and assess, as part of a teaching team, in the areas of knowledge appropriate to the aims of the provision within the Department of Games and Visual Effects and where appropriate, across other Departments/Schools of the University.</li> <li>To contribute to the development of specialist teaching and learning provision, including short courses, in Games Programming/ Games Development and associated disciplines.</li> <li>To devise and deliver modules as determined by the relevant academic manager and to ensure that learning materials and methods of delivery meet defined learning objectives.</li> </ul>

- To undertake operational responsibilities associated with the delivery of academic provision, including the leadership of modules/awards, as directed by the relevant academic manager.
- To enhance the quality of teaching provision and programme development, drawing on leading practices from the HE and other sectors, and building e-learning into the delivery of teaching to students as appropriate.
- To participate with other staff in the development of teaching, learning and assessment strategies.
- To contribute to student support in administrative and pastoral roles, including advice to students on resits and to provide post-results counselling.
- To represent both the courses and the School/Department/University in student recruitment activities, including participation in Clearing activities and in Open Days and Offer Holder Days throughout the year.
- To attend and contribute to Student Liaison/School/Department/Theme meetings, project teams and working groups in line with strategic initiatives as required
- To contribute to the subject's activities and reputation both internally and externally
- To exercise a high standard of advanced scholarship activity both personally and as a member of a team, working with colleagues to develop an inclusive, team-orientated approach to such activities.
- To enhance the Department's and School's ability to engage with industrial and external partner contacts through effective networking to build relationships for future activities.
- To pursue enterprise and research activities which enhance the external revenue of the Department/School and to deliver various forms of consultancy and other services as determined by the relevant academic manager.
- To maintain and develop areas of expertise under the general guidance and oversight of the relevant academic manager.
- To undertake both general Health & Safety responsibilities in accordance with the University's Health & Safety Policy and in addition, to provide such supervision as is necessary to ensure the health and safety of both Postgraduate and Undergraduate students.
- To undertake appropriate professional development activities as required.
- To undertake other such responsibilities as may reasonably be required by the relevant academic manager

### Special Conditions

The postholder will be required to travel and represent the University in the UK and Overseas as required

There will be a need for the postholder to work occasional weekends to cover marketing and recruitment activities.

There will be a need for flexible working practices by the role-holder to support different forms of delivery such as distance and accelerated learning. In addition, the role holder may be required to undertake their role off site, which may include overnight stays in either the UK or abroad.

### External Activities

External activities for example membership of professional bodies, external examiner roles and journal editorial work which enhance the work of the post holder are encouraged within the overall provisions of the exclusivity of the service arrangements to which the post holder is subject. Additionally, the Institution expects employees to take a cross University role e.g., through membership of Committees and Working Parties.

### **Professional Development**

The University is keen to support staff in achieving high standards of pedagogy in order to facilitate effective student learning. All newly appointed full-time and fractional contracted members of academic staff who have less than three years teaching experience and do not have the equivalent qualification from another University, are required to undertake and complete the most appropriate route from either the Academic Professional Apprenticeship (APA), Post Graduate Certificate in Higher and Professional Education (PgCHPE) or Post Graduate Diploma in Professional Education in Healthcare (PgDPEH). This must be commenced within 24 months of appointment as a condition of their employment with Staffordshire University. If you are shortlisted, the chair of the interview panel will explain this further.

All members of academic staff will be expected to achieve Fellowship of the HEA within an agreed timescale after commencement.

### **Research and Scholarly Activity**

The duties of lecturing posts include participation in appropriate research and scholarly activity indicated in the research policy of the University. The extent of involvement in research and scholarly activity may vary with the balance between teaching, administration and research appropriate to particular posts. This will be determined by your Dean of School in consultation with you, and will be reviewed regularly through the staff appraisal system. While it is in the nature of research and scholarly activity that it will often take place throughout the year and be integrated into the overall pattern of activities, it is envisaged that the periods of the year outside normal teaching weeks and the holiday entitlement will primarily be devoted to research and scholarly activity.

Where new staff can demonstrate a strong research background and a profile, which indicates potential to achieve research excellence consideration will be given to allocation of appropriate protected research time during the normal workload allocation cycle.

### **Variation to Job Description**

Staffordshire University reserves the right to vary the duties and responsibilities of its employees within the general conditions of the Scheme of pay and conditions and employment related matters. Thus, it must be appreciated that the duties and responsibilities outlined above may be altered as the changing needs of the service may require.

### **Conditions of Service**

The post is subject to such terms and conditions of employment as negotiated between the Board of Governors of the University and the recognised trade unions, and/or the employees of the University. In negotiating such terms and conditions the Board of Governors will consider any appropriate advice received from the Universities and Colleges Employers Association (UCEA).

### **Application Procedure**

We encourage you to apply on-line at our website <http://jobs.staffs.ac.uk> as the system is user friendly and simple to complete.

We would ask all applicants to ensure that they have provided comprehensive information under each criteria in the Supporting Statements section of the application form and, if necessary, add any relevant additional information in the Additional Information Section.