Graduate Teaching Assistant in Law (0.187FTE) x 3  
College of Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities  
Leicester Law School

Package worth £14,777 per annum together with a UK/EU tuition fee waiver.

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Leicester Law School invites applications for three full-time Graduate Teaching Assistant positions.

These positions are available from 1 September 2018. There is some scope to adjust the start date to reflect individual circumstances.

The successful applicants will receive an annual stipend and salary package currently worth £14,553 per annum and a full UK/EU tuition fee waiver. Funding for these posts is available for four years. Appointment to the post is subject to formal confirmation that post holders are registered, and continue to be registered for the duration of the position as a full-time student with the University of Leicester.

The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 2 March 2018 (at 23:59).

About Graduate Teaching Assistantships

Graduate Teaching Assistantships allow you to fund your PhD study through part-time teaching work with the University. The Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) is responsible to the Head of Department and is expected to undertake teaching-related duties as required within the Department, not normally exceeding the equivalent of seven contact hours per week during term time.

The GTA facilitates student participation in their learning through tutorials and seminars geared towards effective development of knowledge and the application of principles set out in lectures and module materials.

The GTA contributes to the Department’s research environment, in addition to pursuing their own PhD research.

The successful applicant will have

- Outstanding promise of teaching/research achievement
- Proven competency in Law and will have, or be able to develop quickly, relevant knowledge of the UK core legal subjects as required by the teaching needs of the law school
• High level of proficiency in English, sufficient to undertake teaching and administrative activities using English Language materials and to communicate effectively with staff and students
• Evidence of good effective oral communication, presentation and training skills
• Ability to work independently as well as part of a team on teaching related activities.
• A commitment to high quality teaching
• Proven competency in IT and familiarity with a computerised environment

In the covering letter sent with the PhD application (see below), the applicant should indicate how they meet these requirements.

Eligibility

These positions are open to persons who are not current PhD students at the University of Leicester. They are open to applicants irrespective of nationality or place of previous residence.

The award covers tuition fees at the UK/EU rate only. International applicants, who do not ordinarily pay UK/EU tuition fees, must be able to demonstrate that they can fund the difference in tuition fee rates.

Key Entry requirements

• UK undergraduate (Bachelors) degree in Law, or with a specialisation in Law, with at least first class or upper second class honours or an equivalent qualification from a recognised overseas institution, and should normally have completed, or be about to complete a Masters course in law or a related discipline, with an average mark above 60% in the course and at least 65% in the dissertation.

• Applications are welcome from those currently studying for a Masters degree, provided that the coursework and dissertation is completed before the GTA position is taken up.

• High level of proficiency in English, sufficient to undertake teaching and administrative activities using English Language materials and to communicate effectively with staff and students

Research areas and supervision

We welcome applications in any area of legal research within the research interests of our staff. It is advisable to identify one or more potential supervisors before making an application. Information concerning staff research interests may be found at www.le.ac.uk/law-phd.
Making an application

Applications should be made using the University's online system for PhD applications. Further information about Law PhD, please go to http://www2.le.ac.uk/research/degrees/phd/law.

Applications **must** include a complete set of documentation as listed below at the time the application is submitted:

- **a research proposal**, normally of 1000-1500 words (we can provide samples of previously successful proposals that can be sent on request by contacting the School via the details below)

- **writing sample** in which an argument is made for a conclusion, rather than merely describing the facts or the law.

- **a personal statement** which explains why you are interested in the studentship, and why you would be a good person to appoint

- **all supporting documents**, including proof that you meet the academic and English language entry requirements. (Supporting documents not in English must be accompanied by a certified English translation.)

- **two references** from referees who are familiar with your academic work and who are able to comment on your ability to conduct research and to complete a PhD programme. We would prefer that you provide us with the names and contact details of these referees as part of your PhD application, so that we may obtain confidential references. In that case, please ensure that your referees submit the reference by the closing date set out above.

In the ‘**Funding**’ section of the application, you must state that you wish to be considered for the **2018 GTA in Law**.

Selection process

Candidates short-listed for interview will be contacted by the University. We hope to conduct interviews in the first week of May 2018. Interviews will be held in person or by Skype, as appropriate.

Why choose Leicester Law School?

Leicester Law School has an established reputation as one of the leading law schools for research in the United Kingdom. The School has one of the most international student populations in the UK, and our academic staff are drawn from more than twenty countries.

We are consistently rated amongst the top universities and law departments in the country on the basis of our innovative teaching, outstanding research and consistent levels of student satisfaction. We offer a productive and stimulating learning environment, which attracts students and academics from all over the world.
For information on the research conducted within the School, please visit http://www2.le.ac.uk/departments/law/research.

Informal enquiries

Informal enquiries are welcome and should be made to the Director of Postgraduate Research, Professor Liz Wicks, email: Liz.Wicks@le.ac.uk. In the first instance, please contact the School’s postgraduate administrator, Teresa Rowe, email: pglaw@le.ac.uk, tel: 0116 252 2370.