

Lecturer in Quantitative Geography

College of Science and Engineering

Department of Geography

Salary Grade 8 - £37,394 to £45,954 per annum

Permanent contract

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At Leicester we're going places. Ranked in the top 20 universities in Britain our aim is to climb further. A commitment to high quality research and teaching fused with an inclusive academic culture is our hallmark and led the Times Higher Education to describe us as "elite without being elitist".

The Department of Geography is seeking to appoint a future research leader in Quantitative Human Geography. The successful candidate will contribute to Human Geography research in one of the following areas of expertise in the department: population/migration geography, urban geography, development geography and/or environmental geography. They will have particular skills in statistics, GIS, data visualization, geocomputation, big data, geolocation, and/or the interface between quantitative and qualitative methods. An interest in creative and critical quantitative methods would be value added.

Your background is likely to be in Human Geography, but related disciplines will be considered. You will be able to evidence the foundations of a strong track record in high quality research; outputs in top cited, international peer-reviewed journals and grant funding success in one of our internationally-recognized research areas.

You will bring a new set of skills and competencies that will strengthen and complement those within Human Geography leading to new opportunities to secure research funding that addresses fundamental research questions within and beyond the discipline.

The 2014 Research Excellence Framework found that 60% of our outputs were classified as being world-leading or internationally excellent. The socio-economic impact of our research was found to be of very considerable reach and significance with elements that were outstanding. More information about our REF2014 submission can be found [here](#).

With the appointment in September 2014 of Professor Paul Boyle as President and Vice-Chancellor, the Institution is driving change forward in the development of a new Institutional Strategy, Vision and Implementation Plan. It is a very exciting time to move to Leicester and join in world-leading research agendas.

The Department of Geography comprises 24 academic staff and has ambitions to grow by 20% within the next 5 years. We host a large number of Research Associates/Assistants, and have over 70 PhD students.

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute towards research-led teaching at both undergraduate and taught postgraduate levels. Our undergraduates study across four different programmes and we currently offer four masters degrees, including an MSc in GIS and a new MSc in GIS with Industry (from 2015). We would expect you to be able to teach quantitative methods to UG and Taught Postgraduate students and also contribute to other human geography modules in your related field. In addition, you will also contribute to pre-existing, or create new, fieldtrips for our undergraduate and/or masters programmes. It is also expected that the successful candidate will supervise PhD student research in human geography.

Early career lecturers are offered a wide-range of training and induction programmes including access to the Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice in Higher Education. Workloads are carefully monitored by the Head of Department and administrative duties are lighter at the start of your appointment. There is a strong emphasis on the mentoring of early career lecturers by senior staff in the department and across the Institution. Indeed, we have been very successful in incubating some of the leading, up and coming talents in Geography.

Informal enquiries are welcome and should be made to Professor Loretta Lees, Director of Research, on loretta.lees@le.ac.uk.

The closing date for this post is midnight on Tuesday 30 June 2015.

Interviews/presentations will take place across Thursday 9 (Presentation in the Department) and Friday 10 July 2015 (Formal Interview).

Click [here](#) and search on the reference number SEN00605 for more information and to [apply](#).
