

**JOB DESCRIPTION**

<b>School:</b>	School of Human Sciences
<b>Job Title:</b>	Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Sports Science (Strength & Conditioning)
<b>Job Reference No:</b>	L/0200/39/2009
<b>Responsible to:</b>	Head of School/Academic Director
<b>Hours:</b>	1.0 FTE – part-time/fractional working will be considered
<b>Grade:</b>	Band I – Lecturer Band J – Senior Lecturer
<b>Term:</b>	One year fixed-term
<b>Starting Salary:</b>	£33,432 per annum – Lecturer £37,651 per annum – Senior Lecturer
<b>Annual Leave:</b>	35 days per annum

**School/Service Information**

The School of Human Sciences is an internationally-recognised centre with established expertise and resources in running undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in the areas of sport, health and exercise sciences.

The following undergraduate programmes are offered: sport science, sport rehabilitation, coaching science, strength & conditioning science, sport, health & fitness, health & exercise science and nutritional science. Postgraduate provision is offered in the areas of Nutrition and Physical Activity for Public Health, Sports Nutrition, Applied Sport & Exercise Physiology, Sport & Exercise Rehabilitation, Applied Sport Psychology and Strength & Conditioning. Furthermore, the school's Professional Short Course Unit offers a range of vocational courses for members of the local community wishing to develop careers in the area of sport, health and fitness.

The School is committed to offering students vocationally-relevant programmes of study with the highest academic standards. It has undergone rapid expansion in recent years, with the building of new facilities to support the programmes, and the employment of expert staff in the various fields of sport, health and exercise science. All of the School's teaching and learning activity is underpinned by significant research and consultancy (knowledge transfer) work, and staff are actively involved in professional associations.

### **Main Duties and Responsibilities**

- To undertake teaching and assessment across a range of sport, nutrition, health and exercise programmes (under- and post-graduate) within the subject area
- To develop and prepare learning resources/module booklets in support of teaching and learning.
- To participate in the organisation and supervision of student dissertations.
- To participate in the programme management structure for full-time and part-time programmes at the University College.
- To contribute to curriculum development, policy formulation and planning for the school.
- To make a contribution to the research and/or knowledge transfer activities of the school.
- To act as a personal tutor to a number of individual students and to uphold the College's tradition of student-centred, tutor-supported learning.
- To engage with and strengthen the College Mission and to participate in the broader academic life of the College.
- To undertake other duties as reasonably requested by the Head of School.

### **Education and Experience**

- A relevant first degree and a postgraduate qualification (preferably Ph.D.) are essential.
- Ability and knowledge to teach across a series of disciplines including: physiology, biomechanics, strength & conditioning and sport coaching science in a range of different contexts (up to M level) are essential.
- Teaching and curriculum development experience is desirable.
- Recognition by a relevant professional body (eg BASES, UKSCA) is desirable.
- Knowledge of quality issues in higher education and awareness of QAA subject benchmarks are essential.
- Willingness and ability to undertake research and/or knowledge transfer activity is essential.

- An understanding of the principles of budgetary processes and an awareness of income generating activities is desirable.
- Awareness of current sector trends and initiatives in widening participation, student induction, retention and progression is essential.

### **Personal skills, styles and qualities**

- You will be able to plan, develop and deliver programmes using a wide range of teaching, learning and assessment approaches.
- You will have the ability to motivate, coach and support students and have knowledge of individual learning styles and development needs.
- You will be able to work effectively as a member of a team, effect change where necessary and establish and maintain good relationships with colleagues and students.
- You will be able to facilitate discussions and offer support and guidance to colleagues and students.
- You will possess a high level of communication, interpersonal and presentation skills.

St Mary's University College reserves the right to change and amend this /role profile/ job description/person specification in accordance with the changing requirements of the organisation.

St Mary's University College appoints all new staff on the starting salary. This practice is not negotiable in any circumstances.

You should indicate on your application if you are applying for the role of Lecturer or Senior Lecturer. If you apply for the role of Senior Lecturer then your application will be assessed on your ability to meet the requirements of the role of Senior Lecturer against the Hera (Higher Education Role Analysis) role profile for Senior Lecturer which was generated following institution wide job evaluation to implement the Framework Agreement. St Mary's reserves the right to offer you a role as Lecturer if your qualifications and experience do not meet the requirements of the Hera role profile for Senior Lecturer.

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### **Lecturers / Senior Lecturers in Sports Science**

**1.0FTE (part-time will be considered)**

**1 Year Fixed Term Contract**

**Salary: £33,432 per annum (Lecturer)**

**£37,651 per annum (Senior Lecturer)**

Applicants should be able to offer one or more of the following specialisms as a main teaching area: socio-cultural aspects of sport; coaching science; physiology, biomechanics and strength and conditioning science. A genuine enthusiasm for sport and activity is essential whilst the ability to apply sport science theory to particular sports would be a distinct advantage.

Applicants should have a first degree and a postgraduate qualification in the relevant discipline. Opportunities to undertake research, and to supervise research, will be made available. The posts are suitable for staff embarking on an academic career as well as staff with established careers. The posts will be available with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Part-time applications will be considered, please state on your application whether you wish to be considered for a full-time or part-time post.

Application forms and further particulars can be downloaded from the jobs link at [www.smuc.ac.uk](http://www.smuc.ac.uk) Alternatively, you can contact the Human Resources Department, St Mary's University College, Waldegrave Road, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham, TW1 4SX. Tel: 020 8240 4336 (24 hour voicemail), e-mail [hrjobs@smuc.ac.uk](mailto:hrjobs@smuc.ac.uk) quoting reference L/0200/39/2009.

The closing date for applications is 19 June 2009

Interviews are likely to be held between 25 June, 29 June and 2 July 2009

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