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# Job Description

# Course Team Leader: Business – Vocational Programmes

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Grade: Academic Scale point 31 to 37

Hours: 36 hours per week, 52 weeks per year

School/ Section: Business

Reporting to: Section Manager - Business

Base: Uxbridge

# Main Scope of Post

Our Business School, based at Uxbridge Campus, offers a range of vocational and professional programmes from Level 1 to Level 5, a strong apprenticeships programme and professional certificates such as the CIPD, AAT and CMI. Working in collaboration with local and national employers, we successfully prepare learners for a wide range of careers and/or higher education, meeting the latest industry standards. Employer needs are central to our curriculum provision, and we are committed to equipping our students with the skills and techniques to navigate the digital landscape of the future. We are committed to ensuring every learner maximises the opportunities offered to them.

As a Course Team Leader, you will be joining a friendly and supportive team with a range of industry experience, committed to the success of our learners. With many training and development opportunities and scope for promotion within the College, you will be embarking on a varied and rewarding career.

The Course Team Leader for Vocational Business will teach across a range of programmes and be responsible for the effective curriculum management of these programmes in the Vocational Business Section (primarily Level 3 programmes), including ongoing curriculum development and implementation of courses in line with current curriculum requirements and market needs.

 Course Team Leaders have responsibility for:

* The organisation and development of the curriculum
* Making the best use of the team resources including staffing and consumables
* Gaining maximum funding and income through high levels of enrolment, retention achievement and attendance.
* Liaising with appropriate College staff and external bodies including employers.

# DUTIES

# Recruitment of Students

* Participate in open evenings and recruitment activities to ensure that potential applicants and students receive accurate information and guidance.
* Complete and contribute to the production of accurate information and fact sheets.
* Interview potential applicants and contribute to the College’s interviewing schedules.
* Contribute to the development, promotion and delivery of the team’s marketing and recruitment strategies.

# Induction and Support for Students

* Carry out student inductions and contribute to the design of induction programmes.
* Produce course handbooks.
* Carry out academic progress reviews, including the completion of necessary documents.
* Where appropriate act as a named tutor and liaise with the College’s Attendance Co-ordinators to ensure the attendance, retention and achievement of students.
* Understand and keep up-to-date with student support and learning support arrangements, ensuring students have full information and making appropriate referrals.
* Where appropriate ensure that basic skills initial and diagnostic assessments, are undertaken and that students receive effective learning support.
* Ensure that resources within your subject area are kept up-to-date and accessible to students and other staff in liaison with the curriculum managers and the College’s Learning Centres.
* Prepare students for employability, career progression and/or further education and training.
* Produce reports and attend events to provide information to parents/employers.

# Design and Delivery of Programmes

* Teach on a range of programmes in Business.
* Prepare schemes of work, lesson plans and resource materials for teaching programmes.
* Utilise IT and e-learning technology to deliver elements of the curriculum.
* Recognise and support the delivery of English and maths Functional Skill and GCSE qualifications as a key component of students Study Programmes.
* Prepare assessment plans and schedules and ensure students are aware of your expectations.
* Assess students’ progress regularly including the timely marking of work and giving feedback, both written and verbal.
* Work towards the integration of students’ basic skills’ development in the delivery of teaching and learning.

# Curriculum Management

* Attend team meetings and College events as directed by managers.
* Keep records up-to-date, including the completion of registers, and other required documentation.
* Liaise with colleagues to ensure that new members of staff are fully apprised of requirements.
* Participate in the College’s staff appraisal and mentoring schemes.

# Quality

* Carry out student questionnaires and elicit student feedback on the quality of teaching and learning.
* Contribute to course reviews (including joint reviews with Creative Studies) of your subject area and the setting, implementation and monitoring of action plans.
* Set targets for achievement, retention and attendance and participate in the College’s performance management programme.

**Course Team Leader Duties**

In addition to the role and responsibilities of a main grade lecturer the post holder will also have the following Course team Leader responsibilities.

1. To contribute to the development, planning and implementation of new initiatives within the Section.
2. To assist in the monitoring and supervision of all teaching and non -teaching staff to ensure they are kept informed regarding all College and curriculum developments.
3. To lead Course Team meetings and contribute to Section Area meetings.
4. To participate fully in the marketing of courses and promotional events both on and off site.
5. To assist in the updating of statistical information required for attendance, retention and achievement.
6. To take effective links with any relevant outside agencies including employers to both secure student growth and progression.
7. To take and active role in the reviewing of curriculum and quality procedures.
8. To contribute to and monitor the deployment of resources, physical and human, within the department.
9. To contribute to the general development of the Section.
10. To deputise the Section Manager in the leadership of the full time and commercial team.
11. To develop and enhance the commercial and full time provision to meet the needs of employers and market needs/ demands.

### OTHER DUTIES

1. To take an active part in the appraisal and mentoring processes.

2. To comply with all relevant Health and Safety regulations and assist the College in the implementation of its own Health and Safety policy.

3. To comply with and actively promote within their section the College’s Equal Opportunities Policy.

1. To participate in and contribute to the College’s in-service development and training activities.
2. To carry out all other duties as may be reasonably required.

# BACKGROUND

The post of Course Team Leader involves considerable subject-based and pedagogic knowledge and understanding, and it is therefore essential that the post holder has a motivation for keeping themselves up-to-date with developments in their professional area and also in the practises of teaching and learning. Lecturing includes all aspects of the learning process, including preparation and planning, and the assessment and evaluation of students. All post holders are expected to consistently review and assess their performance alongside colleagues and engage in positive and critical debate on pedagogic issues. All teaching staff must be committed to inclusive learning and ensuring that they take on the very best practice to meet individual learner needs including the promotion of equal opportunities. All staff are required to implement College policies. Further Education is an ever-changing service and all staff are expected to participate constructively in College activities and to adopt a flexible approach to their work. This job description will be reviewed annually during the appraisal process and will be varied in the light of the business needs of the College.

**Course Team Leader: Vocational Business**

**Person Specification**

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|  | Essential | Desirable | How assessed?\* |
| Qualifications |  |  |  |
| Degree in Business or related subject | **✓** |  | Cert/AF |
| Full teaching qualification recognised by the FE sector (e.g. PGCE/DET/DTLLS) \*\* | **✓** |  | Cert/AF |
| Knowledge and Experience |  |  |  |
| Minimum of 2 years’ successful teaching and assessment experience including experience of delivering BTEC programmes  | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Ability to work effectively as part of a team and preferably some experience of leading/supervising a team  | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Able to demonstrate high levels of student retention and achievement | **** |  | AF/IV |
| Experience of working in Business / ability to embed industry/working practices and examples into the curriculum | **** |  | AF/IV |
| Curriculum co-ordination, design and development experience  | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Other Skills |  |  |  |
| Good organisational and planning skills | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| The ability to engage and inspire vocational learners (aged 16-19) | **✓** |  | AF/IV/T |
| Good classroom practice | **✓** |  | IV/T |
| Good communication skills, written and verbal | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Good interpersonal skills | **✓** |  | IV/T |
| Good IT skills | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Ability to embed Maths, English and ICT effectively within the curriculum  | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Tutoring experience | **✓** |  | AF |
| Self motivation | **✓** |  | IV |
| Commitment to Equal Opportunities and Safeguarding in an education environment | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Commitment to learners and learner achievement | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Commitment to implementing College compliance procedures and other policies | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| Evidence of continuous professional development | **✓** |  | AF/IV |
| **Competencies***Academic staff should be able to demonstrate competency in all of the following areas:*CommunicationPlanning and OrganisingInterpersonal Sensitivity Adaptability/FlexibilityResults Focus |  |  | AF/IV |

**Evidence of criteria will be established from:**

AF = Application Form IV = Interview

T = Test (Micro-teach/skills test) Cert = Certificates checked on induction

\*\*Qualifications that are equivalent to the Diploma in Education and Training (DET) include: DTLLS (Diploma in Lifelong Learning Sector); 7407 Stage 3/FE Certificate Stage 3; older Certificates in Education; Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) – FE and/or Secondary; any qualification that is recognised as fully qualified for the FE sector.