

Academic Link Tutor for Ophthalmic Dispensing

Faculty of Medicine, Health and Social Care

School of Allied and Public Health Professions

The Post

Job Title:	Academic Link Tutor for Ophthalmic Dispensing
Reference:	REQ02556
Location:	Canterbury
Reports to:	Gail Sheppard, Academic Group Lead
Responsible for:	This post holds no supervisory responsibility
Contract Type and Hours	Permanent Part time (0.4 FTE)
Grade	Lecturer / Senior Lecturer Grade (£34,304 - £30,296 per annum)

For further information on the benefits of working at Canterbury Christ Church University please click [here](#).

Main Purpose of the Role

As Academic Link Tutor (lecturer/senior lecturer), you will work collaboratively with our partner institution ABDO College, a highly esteemed organisation in the Ophthalmic Dispensing field, to ensure smooth development and delivery of the Canterbury Christ Church University (CCCU) validated programmes. Your professional background will be relevant to teaching Dispensing Optician (DO) students. You will use your high quality practice experience, evidence based knowledge and skills in teaching students mostly on our programmes delivered with ABDO College, teaching at all HE levels in the UK and abroad. You will have a professional-strategic advisory role for the School using your extensive networks and strong current knowledge of this field. This an exciting developmental role that includes liaison with your line manager (Academic Group Lead), the Head of School, ABDOC staff and external stakeholders, and teaching.

Depending upon your existing qualifications, you will complete the University's Post Graduate Certificate in Academic Practice. This is a useful addition to your skills for this post, and for the future.

You will work towards being, or be research active and contribute to the School's enterprise and innovation (Knowledge Exchange, KE), professional and research profile. The nature of this contribution will vary according to your experience, and your direction of work will fit with the Faculty and School's strategic plans.

We have an excellent reputation for interprofessional education and in our partnership working with external stakeholders. You will contribute to enhancing the work and the reputation of the School as a whole, collaborating interprofessionally with colleagues in the University, Faculty and externally as appropriate as well as enhancing the paramedic team reputation.

Although based at Canterbury you will work at times across the University campuses, mostly between Medway and Canterbury, and be able to travel to ABDO College (Godmersham, near Ashford).

Main Duties

1	Liaise with ABDOC, internal colleagues and external stakeholders to develop and deliver the CCCU validated programmes, ensure Regulatory and Professional Body requirements are met and delivery runs smoothly.
2	Ensure University Collaboration and Quality Assurance processes and procedures for the ABDOC partnership are met

3	Contribute to the range of teaching, learning and assessment activities within the CCCU : ABDOC partnership, and support the wider work of the School including online short courses and materials, study days etc.
4	Promote vision studies, interprofessional education and working, and enhance professional development through scholarly activity, participation in research and/or practice and publications in collaboration with ABDOC as relevant
5	Work with CCCU and ABDO College academic and administrative colleagues, as relevant to ensure high quality practice education/work based education.
6	Be involved in the support and pastoral care processes for students on the programme
7	As a professional and academic advise the Academic Group Lead, Head of School and other colleagues on relevant developments and changes
8	Such other duties that are allocated by the Head of School or Academic Group Lead in agreement with the post holder

Person Specification			
Qualifications and Training	Essential	Desirable	Method of assessment
Lecturer/Senior Lecturer: Current registration with a UK regulatory (as relevant to your profession), a minimum of a BSc/BA Honours degree in a relevant subject	X		Application information
Lecturer: Current membership with relevant Professional Body (if relevant to your profession), Senior Lecturer: Membership of a relevant specialist section or be a member of a wider relevant special interest group, well informed about your profession's future directions for change and development	X		Application information
Lecturer: Be working towards a teaching qualification Senior Lecturer: Hold a Post Graduate Certificate in Learning and Teaching or equivalent qualification		X	Application information
Experience and Knowledge	Essential	Desirable	
Lecturer: Strong experience as a DO or similar and in applying evidence based practice Senior Lecturer: Evidence of contribution to the (optical/vision) profession's development and knowledge base	X		Application information, interview, references
Lecturer: Strong understanding of wider health and social care legislation, policy and agenda in the United Kingdom Senior Lecturer: Application this understanding in own practice, for service users, service providers or students' benefit	X		Application information, interview, references
Lecturer: Evidence of continuing professional development Senior Lecturer: Evidence of contribution to the profession's knowledge base, and enhancing your professional profile	X		Application information, interview
Lecturer/Senior Lecturer: Evidence of effective working in inter-professional teams Experience of working with Higher Education students e.g. in their practice placements	X		Application information, interview
Research experience and/or leading projects		X	Application information

Skills and Attributes	Essential	Desirable	
Lecturer IT-literate and able to learn to develop e-materials Senior lecturer Evidence of online or e-learning material development	X		Application information
Lecturer: Commitment to higher education, clear enthusiasm and ability to identify and impart knowledge within an interprofessional environment, to the benefit of the DO students Senior Lecturer: Able to use IT and a range of LT&A approaches in education provision design, delivery and evaluation	X		Application information, interview
Lecturer: Able to search for and use research and other literature to inform taught content, curriculum development and in creating learning and teaching materials Senior Lecturer: Demonstrable breadth and depth of use of the literature in practice, and apply this analysis and synthesis in teaching and research	X		Interview
Effective, high quality oral, written communication, organisational and presentation skills	X		Interview
Facilitative approach to working with students, colleagues and teams	X		Application information
Qualities	Essential	Desirable	
Flexible, adaptable, able to embrace change and work to tight deadlines	X		Interview, references
Facilitative approach, and effective team member who has a positive view & highly professional approach to work as an academic	X		Application form, references

Appendix 1

Organisation Chart



