Research Associate (Fixed Term), Cambridge Zero

Assignment details

Salary: Grade 7 RA (£18.89 per hour), SP41 - £36,024

Start date: June 2024

Duration: 3 months initially, extendible by agreement but must end by 31st January 2025

Deadline: Midnight 9th June 2024

Interviews are likely to take place in w/c 17th June 2024.

As this is a temporary assignment with limited funding, it will be administered through the University of Cambridge’s Temporary Employment Service. Cambridge Zero will advertise the assignment and interview candidates and the successful candidate will be asked to register with TES.

All applicants are legally required to demonstrate the right to work / permission to work in the UK.

Role Description

Cambridge Zero connects, convenes and co-ordinates climate activities related to education and research. It works in a supporting role across the full academic lifecycle and engages the full breadth of the greater University community (i.e. the University, Colleges and related institutions). Acting in close collaboration and partnership with a broad range of University functions, it helps integrate and enhance the greater University’s climate activities.

We are seeking a Research Associate (Fixed Term, for 3 months initially) to support the team, particularly our research programme. The role holder will work closely with the Head of Research Engagement to help develop interdisciplinary and cross-school research proposals alongside other Cambridge Academics. The role holder will be responsible for providing tailored support to academics with the development of climate-related research proposals, as required. The role holder will be able to spend some time pursuing their own research activities.

This is an ideal opportunity for a very recent PhD student looking to gain experience of climate research engagement in an interdisciplinary environment while also writing up some of their own research for publication. They will be supervised by Professor Emily Shuckburgh, Director of Cambridge Zero.

Person Specification:

- This position is not discipline-specific, but applicants must have a have research experience in an area relevant to Cambridge Zero’s portfolio as well as a passion for the subject.
- Good verbal and written communication skills and experience of meeting and working with people from a range of backgrounds and disciplines.
- Ability to communicate complex concepts in a way that is appropriate to the target audience.
- Well-developed organisational skills and the ability to establish and manage simultaneous projects.
- Ability to prioritise own workload as not continuously supervised.
- Able to use standard software packages (e.g. Word, Excel, Power Point).
• Applicants should have completed their PhD or be close to completion.
• Knowledge of the University of Cambridge would be an advantage.
• All applicants are legally required to demonstrate the right to work/permission to work in the UK.

More information about Cambridge Zero is available from the website: https://www.zero.cam.ac.uk/.

**How to apply**

Please complete the form and email a CV and covering letter to info@zero.cam.ac.uk setting out how your skills and experience meet the requirements in the role profile. Applicants will be assessed as to how well their skills and experience meet the requirements.