# Generic job description and selection criteria

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| Job title | Researcher |
| Department  | Humanities/Social Sciences |
| Grade and salary | Grade 8  |

## Job description

### Overview of the role

### Reporting to the Head of Department. The post holder is a lone research expert responsible for managing own grant funded project.

### Responsibilities/duties

* Research project management, co-ordination of primary data collection exercises and fieldwork
* Develop research questions within a specific context, conduct individual research, analysing detailed and complex qualitative and/or quantitative data from a variety of sources, and generate original ideas by building on existing concepts
* Develop and implement new research methodologies and materials
* Regularly write research articles for prestigious journals, book chapters, major publications, and reviews. Present papers at national conferences, and lead seminars to disseminate research findings
* Manage the research budget and input to the department’s research strategy
* Develop ideas for generating research income and promoting the research area
* Write funding applications for new research projects, and negotiate with external bodies
* Act as a source of information and advice on specialist methodologies or procedures

## Selection criteria

### Essential

* Hold a relevant Ph.D/D.Phil with post-qualification research experience
* An established (inter)national reputation and publication record
* Possess sufficient specialist knowledge in the discipline to develop research projects and methodologies
* Ability to independently plan and manage a research project, including a research budget
* Experience of raising research funds through making grant applications

### Desirable

* Experience of managing a research budget