

# **Job Description**

**Title of the post:** Clinical Educator Veterinary Physiotherapy

**Department:** Animal Production, Welfare and Veterinary Sciences

**Reporting to:** Head of Veterinary Sciences Section

## The Appointment

The University seek a highly motivated clinical veterinary physiotherapist, with interest in equine and or canine practice to join the team supporting the expansion and further development of the veterinary sciences at the University.

This appointment is the latest in a series of appointments that have been made to support development of the innovative veterinary sciences programmes at the University including an undergraduate and postgraduate Veterinary Physiotherapy programme.

The post is a full time equivalent, however, the University would welcome interest from applicants who wish to combine a part-time post with their clinical practice or wish to have a part time post/job share In addition to the investment in key academic staff the University have made a substantial capital investment to support teaching and research within the animal sciences area.

The appointee will have a specific role to participate in the further development and delivery of the veterinary physiotherapy programme area. A sizable and more focused capital investment in the physical resource to specifically support this and other veterinary services has taken place: the appointee will have a role as part of the expanding team in the development of the services within the Veterinary Services Centre. As part of the programme there will be an on-going and increasing need to provide veterinary physiotherapy clinics on site and locally. The suitable candidate will have a role in the organization and running of these clinics. As the leading provider of Veterinary Physiotherapy at undergraduate and postgraduate level there is a need to develop the evidence base to support this professional area, and opportunities to be involved in research will be available to a suitable candidate.

The outline duties and responsibilities of the post will include:

- Provision of veterinary physiotherapy clinics Contributing to the clinical teaching by means of, which will require weekend and evening work;
- Contribution to and development of clinical teaching selected from the following modules related to the programme
  - o Equine Clinical Practice,
  - o Canine Clinical Practice,
  - Clinical Practice
  - o Tutorial/practical support of various 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate modules
  - o Postgraduate Clinical teaching support

- Participation in and development of the research and reach-out activity of the Department;
- Participation in the organisation and supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate research projects;
- Administration and day to day running of veterinary services centre
- Such other duties as requested by the Line Manager

## The successful candidate will have:

- An undergraduate or post graduate degree in Veterinary Physiotherapy. (Essential)
- High level clinical Veterinary Physiotherapy skills. (Essential)
- High level interpersonal skills and the ability to work both as part of a team and autonomously as the needs demand (Essential).
- Experience of participation in the delivery of clinical profession related training or teaching, preferably at Higher Education level. (Desirable).
- Hold a relevant clinical educators qualification (Desirable)
- Knowledge Transfer or Research and related publication. (Desirable)

If a clinical educator qualification is not held, the appointee will be expected to achieve this qualification within three years of taking up the post. The University will fund such training

### **Conditions of Service**

# Salary

The commencing salary will be within the range £26,495 to £28,936per annum. The point of entry will be dependent upon relevant qualifications and experience. Salaries are paid monthly, in arrears, by credit transfer.

#### **Pension**

The person appointed will be entitled to participate in the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) subject to its terms and conditions from time to time in force, unless election is made to make private pension arrangements or to participate in the State Earnings Related Pension Scheme (SERPS)

## Contract of Employment

The Contract of Employment will be that agreed between PCEF and the unions recognised at national level (the Polytechnics and Universities National Negotiating Committee Lecturers' Common Interest Group) on 5 December 1990, revised to comply with the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 and the provisions of the National Framework Agreement for the modernisation of pay structures. The main features are:

- participation in staff appraisal schemes;
- exclusivity of contract;
- clauses relating to patents and inventions, copyright, confidential information, pensions, sickness and maternity benefits

A full copy of the Contract of Employment and associated conditions will be available for inspection by candidates shortlisted for interview.

# Probationary Period

The appointment is subject to satisfactory completion of a twelve month probationary period.

#### Criminal

The post involves the opportunity for access to children and young

## **Convictions**

persons under the age of 18. For this reason the University is entitled to take into account any criminal convictions, cautions or impending case(s) that it considers to be relevant to this post.

The post is exempt from the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. This means that applicants are not entitled to withhold information about convictions which for other purposes are "spent" under the provisions of the Act.

Applicants must therefore complete the part of the application form declaring any criminal convictions and cautions from any court or police authority. The successful applicant will have to undergo a Criminal Records Bureau check before an appointment can be made.

#### References

Candidates should ensure that they provide full details of the name and postal address of their referees. Please include e-mail addresses and telephone numbers wherever possible.

Referees should include your present, or most recent, employer. References will normally be taken up immediately in respect of candidates shortlisted for interview. If you do not wish any reference to be taken up at this stage, please enter an 'X' in the relevant box provided on the application form.

# **Application Procedure**

All applications should be completed and submitted using the Harper Adams e-Recruitment programme at <a href="http://jobs.harper-adams.ac.uk">http://jobs.harper-adams.ac.uk</a>

To arrive no later than midnight on Sunday 8th July 2018