Lecturer in History of Art
School of Divinity, History and Philosophy

Closing date: 23 February 2020
Interview date: TBC
Reference number: DHP089A
The University of Aberdeen wishes to appoint a lecturer in the History of Art from 1 July 2020. Applicants should have a research and teaching focus on any area of Medieval art, architecture and/or visual culture. The successful candidate will contribute to an ambitious curriculum redevelopment, teaching across the art history programme and developing specialist honours courses focusing on their field of expertise. The appointment will be made at lecturer level with the expectation that applicants will have an academic publishing profile of demonstrable excellence.

The School offers a wide range of undergraduate courses leading to an MA (without honours) after three years or, more usually, a single or joint honours MA after four years. The School houses the largest body of postgraduate students within the University.
Job description

Main purpose of the role:
The main purpose of this role is to fulfil teaching and supervision requirements, within the School of Divinity, History and Philosophy and to contribute to the research excellence of the School. An important part of this post will be participation in the continuing development and delivery of the History of Art programme at Aberdeen. The successful candidate will be expected to have a demonstrable ability to teach Medieval art, architecture and/or visual culture, and to contribute broadly to the undergraduate teaching programme in History of Art and to support and supervise the work of postgraduate students.

Key responsibilities:
Lecturer: History of Art
- Development and delivery of art history courses in their field of specialism
- Course design, coordination and teaching at all undergraduate levels in the History of Art
- Lectures and tutorials at sub-honours level
- Assessment of coursework
- Supervision of the work of postgraduate students
- Contribution to the research excellence of the School and delivery of personal research of a level and quality to enhance the Research Exercise Framework submission
- General academic administration

At a glance
Salary:
£41,526 - £49,552 per annum

Hours of work:
Full time

Contract type:
Substantive
Candidate background

Applicants should have a proven research record of demonstrable excellence in the discipline of History of Art, and an ability to teach across that discipline.

Applicants should have a PhD in a relevant field, have experience of teaching in higher education, and possess excellent oral and written communication skills.

Terms of appointment

Salary will be at the appropriate point on the Grade 7 salary scale (£41,526 - £49,552 and negotiable with placement according to qualifications and experience.

Any appointment will be made subject to satisfactory references and a 3 year probation period.

For further information on various staff benefits and policies please visit www.abdn.ac.uk/staffnet/working-here

Should you require a visa to undertake paid employment in the UK you will be required to fulfil the minimum points criteria to be granted a Certificate of Sponsorship and Tier 2 visa. As appropriate, at the time an offer of appointment is made you will be asked to demonstrate that you fulfil the criteria in respect of financial maintenance and competency in English. Please do not hesitate to contact Heather Clark, HR Adviser on +44 (0)1224 273244 or email h.m.clark@abdn.ac.uk for further information.
# Person specification

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<th><strong>Education/Qualifications</strong>&lt;br&gt;Academic, technical and professional education and training</th>
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<td><em>PhD in the History of Art</em></td>
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<th><strong>Work and Other relevant experience</strong>&lt;br&gt;(including training)&lt;br&gt;eg Specialist knowledge, levels of experience, supervisory experience, research</th>
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<td><em>Teaching experience in higher education</em></td>
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<td><em>Ability to provide postgraduate supervision to students both on campus and at a distance</em></td>
<td><em>Track record of research excellence</em></td>
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<th><strong>Personal qualities and abilities</strong>&lt;br&gt;eg initiative, leadership, ability to work on own or with others, communication skills</th>
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<td><em>Excellent oral and written communication skills</em></td>
<td><em>Ability to work independently and as part of a team</em></td>
<td><em>Ability to relate well to colleagues, build a rapport with students and impart enthusiasm for the subject</em></td>
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<td><em>Excellent IT skills</em></td>
<td><em>Willingness and ability to undertake administrative duties</em></td>
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<th><strong>Other</strong>&lt;br&gt;eg special circumstances (if any) appropriate to the role such as unsocial hours, travelling, Gaelic language requirements etc.</th>
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<td><em>Willingness to travel in accordance with the departmental fieldwork programme</em></td>
<td><em>Willingness to participate in occasional evening and weekend departmental/university events</em></td>
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The University

Founded in 1495, Aberdeen is Scotland’s third oldest University and the fifth oldest in the UK. Ranked within the world top 140 in the recent QS global league table, Aberdeen is the ‘global University of the north’.

Aberdeen is a broad based, research intensive University, which puts students at the head of everything it does. It has significant academic strengths and potential across a wide variety of disciplines. Outstanding in a wide range of discipline areas across the entire research spectrum, Aberdeen has also been credited for its international reach and its commercialisation of research ideas into spin out companies.

The University has over 14,000 matriculated students and 3,600 staff representing 120 nationalities. We encourage bold thinking, creativity and innovation and we nurture ambition with many opportunities for professional and personal development in an inclusive learning environment which challenges, inspires and helps every individual to reach their full potential.

The Post sits with the School of Divinity, History & Philosophy

The University combines a distinguished heritage with a forward looking attitude. In the past few years, the University has encouraged creativity in its academic staff, broken new ground with an innovative curriculum, and developed state-of-the-art facilities including the new Sir Duncan Rice Library and the Aberdeen Sports Village and Aquatics Centre. In looking to the future, the University seeks to enhance its reputation as one of the world’s leading Universities by moving forward with ever more ground breaking research; ensuring students have an intellectual and social experience second to none; and capitalising upon the dual role as one of the major institutions of the north and as a cornerstone of regional economic and cultural life.
The city and the region

Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire

Aberdeen is world renowned as the oil capital of Europe and the region is both the agricultural heartland of Scotland and a hub of the food and drink industry.

With the population approaching 230,000, Aberdeen is big enough to provide all the advantages of city life, yet compact enough to enjoy the more intimate atmosphere usually associated with small towns.

Aberdeenshire is one of Scotland’s most appealing regions. Royal Deeside and the Cairngorms National Park are within easy access of the city, and there are a variety of towns and villages scattered along the coastline.

Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire cater for a wide range of tastes in sporting and cultural activities.

To find out more about Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire go to www.VisitScotland.com

How to apply

Online application forms are available at www.abdn.ac.uk/jobs

The closing date for receipt of applications is 23 February 2020

Should you wish to make an informal enquiry please contact
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Please do not send application forms or CVs to Dr Pryor

Please quote reference number DHP089A on all correspondence

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