Part-Time Teaching Fellow - History of Art
School of Divinity, History and Philosophy

Closing date: 03 July 2020
Interview date: To Be Confirmed
Reference number: DHP093A
Introduction

The School wishes to appoint a 9-month Part-Time Teaching Fellow (0.8 FTE) in the History of Art Department from 1 September 2020.

Applicants should have a demonstrable teaching and research focus in modern and/or contemporary art. The successful candidate will contribute to teaching across the art history programme and developing a specialist honours course focusing on twentieth and/or twenty-first-century art. The appointment will be made at teaching fellowship level but with the expectation that applicants will have an academic research profile of demonstrable excellence, commensurate to experience.

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 undergraduate teaching and supervision requirements, within the School of Divinity, History and Philosophy and to contribute, where appropriate, to the research environment 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 twentieth and twenty-first century art, and to contribute broadly to the undergraduate teaching programme in History of Art.

**Key responsibilities:**

**Job Title**  
Teaching Fellow: History of Art

- Development and delivery of modern and/or contemporary art history courses
- 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 dissertations
- Contribution to the research environment of the Department and School
- General academic administration

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**At a glance**

Salary:  
Grade 6 £33,797 - £40,323 pro-rata per annum

Hours of work:  
Part-Time (0.8FTE)

Contract type:  
9 Months - 1st September 2020 Start Date
**Candidate background**

Applicants should have a proven ability to teach across the discipline of History of Art, with a specialism in twentieth and/or twenty-first century art.

Applicants should have a PhD in twentieth and/or twenty-first century history of art, 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 6 salary scale.

Any appointment will be made subject to satisfactory references and a 12 month probation period.

For further information on various staff benefits and policies please visit [www.abdn.ac.uk/staffnet/working-here](http://www.abdn.ac.uk/staffnet/working-here)

As this post is to provide a period of teaching and research it is available for 9 months with a start date of 1 September 2020.

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This post does not meet the minimum requirements as issued by UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI) to qualify for an employer-sponsored visa. We are therefore unable to consider applications from candidates for this post who require sponsorship to work in the UK.
# Person specification

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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 160 in the Times Higher Education Rankings 2019 and named Scottish University of the Year in the Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019. Aberdeen is ‘open to all and dedicated to the pursuit of truth in the service of others’.

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, 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 130 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 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.
From its position high on the east coast of Scotland, Aberdeen has exerted its influence right around the planet. Our long and proud tradition of invention and discovery – from subsea technology and the discover of insulin, to treatments for Cystic Fibrosis and even the first MRI scanner – demonstrated a fundamental element of our region’s DNA, to blaze new trails and shape the future for all of humankind. We’re open to the world.

We may be known as Europe’s oil and gas capital, but we are so much more. Our impact is felt all around the globe. We are at the forefront of a global energy transition to a lower carbon world. We are recognised as an important centre for life sciences. Our health research is world-leading. And we are home to food and drink brands that are enjoyed right across the planet.

Ours is not just an illustrious history of global influence and, more recently, leadership in the oil and gas sector. Aberdeen has moved seamlessly into scientific, engineering, digital and low carbon specialisms. The city has one of the largest concentrations of life scientists in Europe and the largest biologics cluster in the UK after Cambridge.

Perhaps there’s something in Aberdeen’s culture that has always made it a magnet for global innovators – the city boasts no fewer than five Nobel Prize winners. It was back in 1922 that one of these winners, biochemist John MacLeod, helped to discover insulin. And Aberdeenshire-born physician Patrick Manson made the momentous discovery that malaria is spread by mosquitoes, credited as one of the most important medical breakthroughs of its time.

That drive and dynamism continues apace, and today we have Europe’s largest single-site health campus, where ground breaking research into cures for contemporary diseases is being carried out.

Aberdeen faces forward. It’s a place that gets on with it. Ours is a small European city region with a big personality, punching well above its weight. We don’t wait to see what others are doing and how they’re doing it; we drive on with the business of innovation and don’t stop when we hit the coast.
Supporting Facts:

Aberdeen has one of the largest concentrations of life scientists in Europe.

Aberdeenshire is a global centre for subsea technologies and expertise. In fact, 75% of the world’s subsea engineering capability is based here.

Aberdeen is the centre of a UK industry that has, over 50 years, invested almost £500 billion in extracting oil and gas from the North Sea. Our skills and expertise have played a vital part in recovering the 20 billion barrels remaining in the UK Continental Shelf.

Breakthrough research in Alzheimer’s, Cystic Fibrosis and Irritable Bowel Syndrome is taking place here in Aberdeen.

With regular connections to over 40 international and domestic destinations, Aberdeen International Airport looks after more than three million passengers each year, travelling right across the world.

Robert Thomson, from Stonehaven, was the acknowledged inventor of the fountain pen and original inventor of the pneumatic tyre.

The first written evidence of a game where the ball is passed from player to player to score goals appears in a book from Aberdeen dated 1633.

George Paget Thomson was professor of natural philosophy in Aberdeen when he discovered the electron, for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize in physics in 1937.

The role of mosquitos in spreading malaria was discovered by Aberdeenshire physician Sir Patrick Manson, known as the ‘Father of tropical medicine’.

Aberdonian inventor and energy pioneer Robert Davidson built the world’s first known electric locomotive here in 1837.

Sir Thomas Sutherland, the founder of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, now known as HSBC, was born in Aberdeen and studied at the University of Aberdeen.

Aberdeen has UNESCO-recognised archives – the oldest and most complete collection of records of any Scottish town.

The terraces of the Houses of Parliament and the original Waterloo Bridge in London were constructed with Aberdeen granite.
How to apply

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

The closing date for receipt of applications is 03 July 2020

Should you wish to make an informal enquiry please contact
Dr Joanne Anderson, Head of History of Art
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Please do not send application forms or CV's to Dr Joanne Anderson.

Please quote reference number DHP093A on all correspondence

The School of Divinity, History & Philosophy welcomes a diverse working environment and recognises the benefits this can bring. The School is keen to receive applications from individuals from across all of the equality protected characteristics (race, gender, disability, gender reassignment, age, sexual orientation, religion/belief, pregnancy/maternity, marriage/civil partnership).

The University supports opportunities for flexible working for a range of reasons and has policies in place to facilitate this. The policies can be found here:

https://www.abdn.ac.uk/staffnet/working-here/flexible-working--5607.php

The University’s commitment to gender equality has been recognised through the achievement of an Athena SWAN Bronze award. The University is also a Stonewall Diversity Champion to further LGBT equality and a Disability Committed Employer recognising our commitment to supporting disabled staff and students.

https://www.abdn.ac.uk/staffnet/governance/equality-and-diversity-277.php