



Edge Hill University  
HUMAN RESOURCES

**It is important to note that this job description is a guide to the work you will initially be required to undertake. It may be changed from time to time to meet changing circumstances. It does not form part of your contract of employment.**

**Job description for the post of:**

**Senior Lecturer in Sports Studies  
EH2424**

**Reporting to:** Associate Head of Sport Development and Sports Studies

**Accountable to:** Head of Sport and Physical Activity

Committed to excellence, the Subject Area provides single honours and post graduate provision across a range of disciplines. Currently there are around 800 student FTEs across the Sport and Physical Activity portfolio. The department is committed to high quality teaching and learning, with emphasis on vocational relevance of a sport-related curriculum. This is an evolving area of study which is linked into the critical area of children's well-being and has a commitment to engage with the local community, youth service and the sport and leisure industry, to develop this as a field of research and scholarly activity.

**The Post**

This is an exciting opportunity to join a team delivering an innovative BA (Hons) Sport Studies which has as its focus children and young people in sport. The successful candidate will have experience in the generic field of sociology of sport, with the expertise to lead on the area of youth culture and informal activity and to contribute to other modules at undergraduate level. You will have a commitment to developing a research profile alongside contributing to the team's evolving research and consultancy activity. The ability to engage in academic and professional networking is essential to develop the opportunities in this area of work.

## **Duties and responsibilities**

The duties and responsibilities of this post are as follows. The postholder will be expected to carry out the following as and when required.

### **Corporate Responsibilities**

The postholder will:

- a) Participate in Edge Hill University's decision-making process.
- b) Contribute to and serve as appropriate on internal committees, working and advisory groups.
- c) Contribute to the fulfilment of Edge Hill University's Mission Statement and Strategic Plan by implementing agreed Edge Hill policy.
- d) Encourage and promote the generation of income including the provision of research and consultancy.
- e) Promote and implement the Institution's equal opportunities policies.

### **Specific duties and responsibilities**

The postholder will be expected as and when required to:

- a) Contribute effectively to the subject area in a chosen area of research and/or scholarly development.
- b) Contribute effectively to the design and planning of the curriculum including preparation of course documentation as required.
- c) Effectively oversee the welfare, progress, examination and assessment of students, as designated by the Head of Area.
- d) Promote the work of the University and participate in the recruitment, selection and induction of students.
- e) Act, as and when required, and in accordance with Edge Hill University procedures, as a Personal Tutor for a group of students.
- f) Assist in the curriculum development of the area's academic programmes.
- g) Seek to enhance the quality of education and provision by ensuring that high standards of teaching and learning are maintained on the relevant courses to which they contribute.
- h) Contribute effectively towards the development of the sports development subject area, including taking lead responsibility for nominated projects.

- i) Organise and administer tasks in an efficient and effective manner.
- j) Use teaching and learning strategies, which encourage student involvement and advance their independent learning.
- k) Develop and maintain links with cognate disciplines within the Faculty, University, Industry and the Community
- l) Carry out any other duties associated with the area to be included by Head of Subject.

**In addition to the above duties all staff are required to:**

- a) Participate in Edge Hill University's Performance Review scheme.
- b) Respect confidentiality. Confidential information should be kept in confidence and not released to unauthorised persons.
- c) Comply with legislation and adhere to Edge Hill University's policies and procedures and attend appropriate training as required, including Health and Safety.
- d) Manage and enhance their own personal performance.
- e) Participate in work-related training and staff development.

**Salary:** Grade 9, Points 36-40  
£35,469 - £39,920 with progression opportunities to £46,278

**Hours:** Full time

**Candidates should note that they will be shortlisted based on information provided on the application form with regard to the applicant's ability to meet the criteria outlined in the Person Specification form attached.**

**It is important to note that the successful applicant will be required to undertake a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure and that this will form part of the conditions of offer of employment.**

Completed application forms to be returned to Human Resources, Edge Hill University, St Helens Road, Ormskirk, Lancashire L39 4QP, **to arrive no later than 16 October 2009.**



## PERSON SPECIFICATION

### Senior Lecturer in Sports Studies EH2424

**CRITERIA** Applicants should be able to provide evidence of their ability to meet the following criteria.

**Essential**   **Desirable**

#### Qualifications

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| 1 | A good relevant honours degree  | * |   |
| 2 | Higher qualifications relevant to the post, such as a Postgraduate degree, a professional qualification, or evidence of satisfactory progress towards such qualifications | * |   |
| 3 | PhD or other research training  |   | * |

#### Experience and Knowledge

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| 4 | Successful teaching experience in Higher Education or other evidence of the ability to be an effective teacher at this level | * |  |
| 5 | Experience of one or more of: research, consultancy, evidence-based practice, publication, and innovation                    | * |  |
| 6 | Relevant subject knowledge as evidenced through qualifications, prior teaching experience or research                        | * |  |
| 7 | Effective working as a team member   | * |  |

**Competencies**

**Teaching, Learning and Assessment**

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| 8  | An effective communications style and interpersonal skills  | * |  |
| 9  | Ability to develop and use effective, flexible and innovative approaches to teaching, learning and assessment | * |  |
| 10 | Ability to use Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to support teaching and learning                | * |  |
| 11 | Ability to contribute to the assurance of academic quality and standards                                      | * |  |
| 12 | Ability to support the diverse academic and personal needs of individual students                             | * |  |

**Scholarly activity and Research**

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| 13 | Ability to engage in innovation, knowledge construction and knowledge dissemination  | * |   |
| 14 | Ability to engage in academic and professional networking through active membership of associations, societies and professional bodies | * |   |
| 15 | Experience of research degree supervision  |   | * |
| 16 | Commitment to engage in advanced research and knowledge transfer   | * |   |
| 17 | Commitment to engage in advanced scholarship and research  | * |   |

**Management and Administration**

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| 20 | Ability to work effectively as a team member | * |  |
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**Essential    Desirable**

21    Ability to support the general development of the department, the faculty and the University

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**Personal and Professional Development**

22    Ability to reflect on own skills and knowledge, and to seek opportunities to develop

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