

SECTION A: THE ROLE		
Job Title:	Lecturer in Zoology,	
Institute/Service:	Institute of Science and Environment	
Job Grade:	Grade 07	
Job Family:	Academic	
Job Location:	Carlisle	
Responsible To:	Head of Teaching, Learning and Student Experience	

# **Role Purpose:**

To work as part of a team developing and delivering high-quality academic provision in zoology through implementation of teaching and learning, widening participation, continual development of CPD provision and other strategies in order to contribute to the provision of high-quality learning and opportunities and the best possible student experience.

To engage in scholarly activity and knowledge transfer activities.

A high priority is given to the creation of effective working relationships between you and other contacts in and outside the University as appropriate. The development and maintenance of an effective interface between University administrative / support procedures and processes is a clear organisational requirement. You will at all times operate within established University regulations and procedures and will demonstrate professionalism, technical competence, good interpersonal and networking skills and the ability to work independently as well as within a team.

Your principal duties and responsibilities are outlined in the role profile for a Lecturer.

However, the business will change, and your obligations will vary and develop. The job description should be seen as a guide and not as a permanent, definitive and exhaustive statement.

SECTION B: PRINCIPAL DUTIES/KEY OBJECTIVES				
The post holder will:				
1.	Deliver teaching and learning in the general subject area of Zoology, contributing to undergraduate teaching in a range of modules to meet the learning outcomes of the programme and industry professional standards.			
2.	Apply innovative and appropriate teaching techniques and skills to promote student application and cognitive development.			
3.	Act as a module tutor and personal academic tutor to ensure the provision of high-quality learning opportunities and the best possible student experience.			
4.	Engage in subject, professional and pedagogical research as required to support teaching activities and to extend, transform and apply knowledge acquired from scholarship and research to teaching as appropriate.			
5.	Support and actively promote the Mission and Values (and associated policies and procedures) of the University.			
6.	Contribute to other Programmes of study within the Institute portfolio as appropriate.			

### Additional Information:

You will on occasions and in line with operational needs:

- Be required to work different hours including at weekends/evenings;
- Be required to travel to other campuses and sites as necessary.

In addition to the duties listed here, you will be required to perform other duties which are assigned from time to time. However, such other duties will be reasonable in relation to the grade.

It is the University's intention that this role description is seen as a guide to the major areas and duties for which the post holder is accountable. However, the business will change and the post holder's obligations will vary and develop. The description should be seen as a guide and not as a permanent, definitive and exhaustive statement.

### Our Values:

At the University of Cumbria, our values shape the way we work, our culture and environment.

## We are PERSONAL

Individuals are at the heart of what we do, and our culture of belonging recognises and supports every person. As an institution, we have mutual respect for those we work with and for and we care about understanding each other's challenges and helping one another to thrive.

#### We are PROGRESSIVE

As a university we have a determination to deliver our mission, which keeps us open to opportunities in front of us. We encourage thoughtful and inspirational ideas, and we tackle problems proactively, with optimism, creativity and courage.

### We are ENGAGED

As stewards of knowledge and place, it is our privilege to champion the region and advocate for the value of education. The University of Cumbria is welcoming to different perspectives, expertise and experiences and we are committed to building and nurturing strong links with our communities.

# **Providing an Inclusive Environment:**

The University of Cumbria is committed to providing an inclusive environment, where staff, students and visitors are encouraged to be their true self, in order to enhance the individual and collective experience. As a university community, we share the social responsibility of enabling this inclusive environment by valuing, respecting and celebrating differences, to ensure that we generate a sense of understanding and belonging.

The university recognises that our differences are our strength, seeking and valuing different perspectives and ideas, in an environment that is without prejudice and bias.

We are committed to embracing our responsibility as a facilitator of change and continue to develop our equality agenda in line with and, where appropriate, beyond the Equality Act 2010. We do not tolerate discrimination, bullying or harassment in any form on the grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation.

# **Health & Safety Statement**

All employees at the University of Cumbria are required to ensure that all duties and responsibilities are discharged in accordance with the University's Health and Safety at Work policy. They should take reasonable care for their own health and safety and that of others who may be affected by what they do or do not do. Employees should correctly use work items provided by the University, including personal protective equipment in accordance with training or instructions.

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Grade:	7
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Teaching and learning support	<ul> <li>Teach as a member of a team in a developing capacity mainly within an established programme of study, with the assistance of a mentor if required</li> <li>May act as a module leader and /or leader of some minor awards</li> <li>Teach in a developing capacity in a variety of settings from small group tutorials to large lectures</li> <li>Transfer knowledge in the form of practical skills, methods and techniques</li> <li>Identify learning needs of students and define appropriate learning objectives</li> <li>Ensure that content, methods of delivery and learning materials will meet the defined learning objectives</li> <li>Develop own teaching materials, methods and approaches with guidance</li> <li>Develop the skills of applying appropriate approaches to teaching</li> <li>Challenge thinking, foster debate and develop the ability of students to engage in critical discourse and rational thinking</li> <li>Supervise the work of students, provide advice on study skills and help them with learning problems</li> <li>Select appropriate assessment instruments and criteria, assess the work and progress of students by reference to the criteria and provide constructive feedback to students</li> <li>Seek ways of improving performance by reflecting on teaching design and delivery and obtaining and analysing feedback</li> <li>Undertake examination duties</li> <li>Participate in course development</li> </ul>
Research and scholarship	<ul> <li>Reflect on practice and the development of own teaching and learning skills</li> <li>Continually update knowledge and understanding in field or specialism</li> <li>Translate knowledge of advances in the subject area into the course of study and/or</li> <li>Conduct individual and collaborative research projects</li> <li>Write up research work for publication</li> </ul>
Communication	<ul> <li>Deal with routine communication using a range of media</li> <li>Communicate complex information, orally, in writing and electronically</li> <li>Preparing proposals and applications to external bodies, e.g. for funding and accreditation purposes</li> <li>Communicate material of a specialist or highly technical nature</li> </ul>
Liaison and networking	<ul> <li>Liaise with colleagues and students</li> <li>Build internal contacts and participate in internal networks for the exchange of information and to form relationships for future collaboration</li> <li>Join external networks to share information and ideas</li> <li>Liaise with professional bodies for personal and professional reasons</li> </ul>

Agree responsibilities		
<ul> <li>Manage own teaching, scholarly and administrative activities,</li> </ul>		
with guidance if required		
Could be expected to supervise students' projects, fieldwork and		
placements		
Act as a mentor for students in capacity of personal tutor		
Collaborate with academic colleagues on course development and		
curriculum changes		
Attend and contribute to subject group meetings		
Collaborate with colleagues to identify and respond to students'		
needs		
Participate in peer review process		
Use listening, interpersonal and pastoral care skills to deal with		
sensitive issues concerning students and provide support		
Appreciate the needs of individual students and their		
circumstances		
Act as personal tutor, giving first line support		
Refer students as appropriate to services providing further help		
Develop initiative, creativity and judgement in applying		
appropriate approaches to teaching and learning support and		
scholarly activities		
Respond to pedagogical and practical challenges  Change as a specific to the state of the second of the secon		
Share responsibility in deciding how to deliver modules and		
assess students		
Contribute to collaborative decision making with colleagues on  and on the page among of students, work		
<ul> <li>academic content, and on the assessment of students' work</li> <li>Use teaching resources and facilities as appropriate</li> </ul>		
Plan and manage own teaching and tutorials as agreed with mentor		
Involvement in recruitment activity e.g. open days and		
interviews		
Sensory and physical demands will vary from relatively light to a		
high level depending on the discipline and the type of work and		
will involve carrying out tasks that require the learning of certain		
skills		
Balance with help the competing pressures of teaching		
scholarship and administrative demands and deadlines		
Is required to be aware of the risks in the work environment and		
their potential impact on their own work and that of others		
Possess sufficient breadth or depth of specialist knowledge in the		
discipline to work within established teaching programmes		
Engage in continuous professional development		
Able to engage the interest and enthusiasm of students and		
inspire them to learn		
Develop familiarity with a variety of strategies to promote and		
assess learning		
Understand equal opportunity issues as they may impact on		
academic content and issues relating to student need		

PERSON SPECIFICATION					
Criteria	Essential/ Desirable	To be identified by:			
Qualifications					
Honours Degree (or equivalent) and/or in a subject relevant to Zoology	Essential	Application Form			
Higher Degree (or equivalent at least at Masters level) in a subject relevant to Zoology or undertaking one at present	Essential	Application Form			
Completed or undertaking or willingness to undertake a PhD (or equivalent).	Essential	Application Form			
Other qualifications Member of a relevant professional body such as the Royal Society of Biology	Desirable	Application Form			
Experience & Expertise					
Possess sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline to work within established teaching programmes.	Essential	Application form/ Interview			
Evidence of engagement in continuing professional development.	Essential	Interview			
Experience of leading fieldwork, including multiday/residentials	Desirable	Application form /Interview			
Ability to effectively communicate complex information to a range of audiences using appropriate technology.	Essential	Application form /Interview			
Ability to care for the pastoral needs of students.	Essential	Interview			
Effective verbal, written and presentational skills.	Essential	Interview			
Ability to work effectively as part of a team or self-directed.	Desirable	Application form/Interview			
Experience of undertaking research and/or knowledge exchange activity within the subject discipline	Essential	Application form/Interview			
Successful experience of curriculum development within the subject discipline area.	Desirable	Application form/Interview			
Other Commitment to the strategic plan and values of the University especially in relation to equality of opportunity at work, a healthy and safe working environment and the expected behaviours of an effective leader.	Essential	Interview			
Full UK Driving licence (or equivalent)	Essential	Interview			
D1 licence or willingness to undertake	Desirable	Interview			