Leeds Beckett University – Job Description **REF: REQ0001677**

Faculty/Service	**Carnegie School of Sport**
Section	**Carnegie School of Sport**
Post Designation	**Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Sports Coaching**
Grade	**6**
Post to which directly responsible	**Dr Alex Culvin and Dr Stacey Emmonds**
Posts for which directly responsible	**N/A**

Purpose of Job

The purpose of this role is to undertake research in with both The Fédération Internationale des Associations de Footballeurs Professionnels (FIFPRO) and Leeds Beckett University. This is a strategic appointment to further existing knowledge in professional women's football, directly related to increasing player availability in the through reducing anterior cruciate ligament injuries.

This strategic appointment, adds to existing research projects in elite women's football and will continue to enhance the FIFPRO and Leeds Beckett University's reputation as thought leaders in this space and leading research institutes for women's football.

The role will be embedded with the project titled: IMPROVING PLAYER AVAILABIITY: REDUCING ANTERIOR CRUCIATE LIGAMENT INJURIES IN PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S FOOTBALL. Specifically, the role will lead on the monitoring of workload, recovery and travel in professional women footballers in England and explore the relationship between these factors and injury.

Responsibilities

- To carry out research aligned with monitoring of workload, recovery and travel in professional women footballers in England and explore the relationship between these factors and injury.
- Coordinate and conduct research, aligned to the objectives based on project priorities.
- Author reports and peer-reviewed publications on findings in collaboration with project team.
- Attend regular meetings with project team.
- Support the development of research proposals and funding bids to continue the collaboration project past the currently funded period.
- To provide support to other members of our research community.
- Contribute to FIFPRO's women's football strategic objectives.
- To contribute to the University's Research and Innovation Strategy.
- Continue to build strong collaborations with external partners
- To undertake other such duties commensurate with the post and grade as agreed with line manager.

Equal Opportunities

We are committed to providing a non-discriminatory and harassment-free working environment for our employees. All our employees are expected to have due regard for those policies when carrying out their duties.

Health, Safety and Wellbeing

You will maintain a positive attitude to Health, Safety and Wellbeing in carrying out personal responsibilities and co-operate with Health & Safety policy/local rules/Codes of practice.

Physical Conditions

You will be based on-site at Headingley Campus with travel to FIFPRO Headquarters, Netherlands when required for project meetings (maximum of 3 time per year
Relationships
The post holder will work with academic, research and administrative staff in Carnegie School of Sport and the FIFPRO.
Terms & Conditions
Terms & Conditions of Service are as determined by the Vice-Chancellor for Research staff (within a framework set by the Board of Governors), and will have regard to any national recommendations arising from negotiations between the Universities and Colleges Employers Association (UCEA), and the recognised trade unions in so far as these are adopted by the Board / Vice-Chancellor. Salary is currently within Grade 6 (£38,205 - £42,978). On appointment staff will normally be placed on the first point of the substantive grade for the post. Appointment above this will only be on an exceptional basis and subject to approval in line with our University's Pay Policy. Annual leave entitlement is 38 days. Hours of work per week = 37.
Probationary Period
Appointment to this position may be subject to a probationary period of up to 12 months, in line with our probationary policy. A copy of our probationary policy is available on our website or on request from Human Resources.
Pre-employment Health Assessment
Our University aims to ensure that all employees are placed in a job that is compatible with their health and physical abilities. In accordance with the Equality Act, questions relating to health are asked following an offer of appointment. All offers of appointment are subject to pre-employment health assessment.
Qualifications
In accordance with our pre-employment processes, it is University policy to verify qualifications for successful candidates. We will need evidence of those qualifications required by the employee specification and claimed on the application form.
Please complete an online application. If you are unable to complete an online application, please contact the HR Recruitment Team on hrservicesteam@leedsbeckett.ac.uk who will be able to provide you with a hard copy application form.

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Please carefully read the notes of guidance enclosed with the application form and provide information to help us decide whether you meet the criteria below.

Qualifications, Skills, Experience & Knowledge	**Essential**	**Method of Assessment** (Application/ Interview/Test/ Other)
1. Holds a PhD (or in the final stages of obtaining or having equivalent research experience).		Application
2. Evidence of high-quality peer review publications.		Application/ Interview
3. Evidence of relevant professional experience/knowledge specifically in relation to women's football and injury surveillance		Application/ Interview
4. Experience of managing large scale research projects with external stakeholders		Application/ Interview
Performance Attributes Please note that all the following criteria are **essential**.		**Method of Assessment** (Application/ Interview/Test/ Other)
SERVICE DELIVERY 5. Ability to co-ordinate and manage research projects.		Application/ Interview
TEAMWORK 6. Ability and commitment to working within a team environment and working with collaborators in other research organisations (academic and/or non-academic).		Application/ Interview
COMMUNICATION 7. Ability to communicate and share research outcomes and their implications appropriately with a range of audiences.		Application/ Interview
LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT 8. Demonstrates a commitment to personal professional development and subject knowledge.		Application/ Interview
Whilst these performance attributes may relate to this role more specifically for recruitment and selection purposes, following appointment, all members of staff are expected to demonstrate effective performance across all six of our University's performance attributes. Please click here for further details.		