

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER  
PARTICULARS OF APPOINTMENT  
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES  
SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES  
LECTURER IN FRENCH CULTURAL STUDIES  
VACANCY REF: HUM-14059

Salary: £36,261 to £50,132 per annum depending on relevant experience  
Hours: 1 FTE  
Duration: Permanent starting from 1 September 2019  
Location: Oxford Rd, Manchester

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**Enquiries about the vacancy, shortlisting and interviews:**

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**Overall Purpose of the Job**

The School of Arts, Languages and Cultures (SALC) contains one of the UK's largest concentrations of high-quality research and teaching in languages and linguistics. SALC is seeking to recruit a full-time lecturer to contribute to the teaching and research activities of French Studies which is housed within the Division of Languages and Intercultural Studies. We are looking for an enthusiastic colleague to deliver courses on French cultural studies. We welcome applications from candidates with a PhD (or equivalent) and research expertise in any aspect or period of French culture; the position, however, is not open to those working in the field of linguistics. (Preference *may* be given to candidates who work on twentieth-century or contemporary French culture.) This permanent appointment will make a major contribution to French Studies at undergraduate level. The person appointed will also assist with the delivery of some language courses (including translation) and general introductory courses on French culture and history. Applicants must therefore be fully fluent in English and French. Only applicants with high quality publications will be considered. Evidence of grant capture, successful PhD supervision, experience of assessing translation at undergraduate level, and experience developing online teaching materials would be highly desirable. The post is tenable from 1 September 2019.

The School is strongly committed to the enhancement of excellence, in step with the University's ambitious plans as set out in the document *Building on Manchester 2015 – Towards Manchester 2020*, which is designed to cement the University's place within the world's top 25 universities. In REF 2014, Modern Languages at Manchester achieved an excellent result, being ranked third in

the UK on research power. Teaching is a key element of the School's activity and students at all levels benefit from the breadth of the School in that they can combine languages and also pursue interests from a cross-cultural and cross-linguistic perspective

### **Key Responsibilities, Accountabilities or Duties**

You will be required to:

- Conduct high quality research in any area of French cultural studies for submission in the forthcoming and future REF exercises (or equivalent). Your research should contribute to improving the visibility of French Studies at the University of Manchester, in the UK and internationally.
- Liaise with the Head of Languages and Intercultural Studies and the Undergraduate Programme Director with regard to teaching activities.
- Convene and deliver teaching for undergraduate courses on French cultural studies.
- Teach on other related course units as required.
- Contribute to French language teaching (e.g. translation seminars); this will be non-negotiable.
- Provide formative and summative assessment, including appropriate feedback; working with course convenors to set and mark examinations and coursework according to University criteria.
- Be available for consultation with students during a minimum of two designated office hours per week.
- Undertake other duties, administrative or otherwise, as may reasonably be required.

### **Person Specification**

#### **Essential Knowledge, Skills and Experience:**

- A PhD (or equivalent) in a relevant field.
- Fluency (oral and written) in English and French.
- A track record of research and publication (including evidence of publications currently under review with peer-reviewed and internationally recognised journals).
- Teaching experience in French cultural studies at university level.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to empathise with students.
- Ability to work in a team and to contribute to collegiality.

#### **Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Experience:**

- Experience of postgraduate teaching and successful postgraduate research supervision.
- Experience of assessing undergraduate work in French as a foreign language, including translation.
- Experience submitting grant applications.
- Expertise in using IT resources, including virtual learning environments, for teaching purposes, and experience developing online teaching materials.
- Experience of university administration.

The candidate chosen will be the one who matches most closely the overall requirements of the post, so candidates should address the above criteria in their applications.

Short-listed candidates will be asked to provide two examples of their own written work (submitted to peer-reviewed journals or equivalent), and will be asked to make two 15 minute presentations: (1) on their research agenda; (2) on teaching – the idea here would be to offer a 15 minute section of an actual class as opposed to an entire class condensed into 15 minutes.