Senior Lecturer

Department/Unit	School of Social Sciences
Faculty/Division	Faculty of Arts
Classification	Level C
Work location	Clayton campus
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Organisational context

Everyone needs a platform to launch a satisfying career. At Monash, we give you the space and support to take your career in all kinds of exciting new directions. You'll have access to quality research, infrastructure and learning facilities, opportunities to collaborate internationally, as well as the grants you'll need to publish your work. We're a university full of energetic and enthusiastic minds, driven to challenge what's expected, expand what we know, and learn from other inspiring, empowering thinkers. Discover more at www.monash.edu

Faculty of Arts is one of the largest of the ten faculties at Monash University and is also one of the largest, most diverse and dynamic arts faculties in Australia. It delivers programs across five campuses: Clayton, Caulfield, Berwick, Malaysia and South Africa. The Faculty's courses are also increasingly available via distance education over the Internet.

As a large and diverse faculty, Monash Arts has particular strengths in the humanities, performing arts, languages and social sciences. It encourages the development of cutting-edge studies that operate at the intersection of traditional academic disciplines. Faculty offerings include the full range of the old and new humanities, from the classics to communications and media studies. Courses offered range from undergraduate diplomas and degrees, faculty certificates, graduate diploma programs through to postgraduate coursework and research degrees.   Monash Arts is justly proud of the research capacity of its staff. Lecturers are working at the cutting edge in their fields, and they carry this expertise and enthusiasm into their teaching.

The Faculty has approximately 5,700 students (EFTSL), 500 staff (EFT) and annual revenue in excess of $100 million. More information can be found at; http://www.arts.monash.edu.au/

The School of Social Sciences is consistently ranked among the best social science schools both nationally and internationally. It is the largest school in the Faculty and one of the largest consolidated schools of the social sciences nationally. Interdisciplinary teaching and research collaboration is encouraged. The School offers a wide-ranging undergraduate program and a variety of postgraduate degrees in Anthropology, Criminology, Human Geography, Politics and International Relations and Sociology. A major focus of our teaching is to help students become responsible and informed global citizens.

Politics and International Relations is the largest Section within the School of Social Sciences. It has a reputation for research and teaching excellence. The Section offers two complementary undergraduate majors, Politics and International Relations, as well coursework postgraduate programs that have a fast growing domestic and international student base. It is a centre of research dynamism with three major research streams: Australian politics (with particular strengths in executive government and parties); international relations (with particular strengths in gender peace and security, and political violence and terrorism studies) and political theory.

Position purpose

A Level C academic is expected to make significant contributions to the teaching effort of a department, school, faculty or other organisational unit or an interdisciplinary area. An academic at this level is also expected to play a major role in scholarship, research and/or professional activities.

Reporting Line: The position reports to the Discipline Convenor

Supervisory responsibilities: Honours and/or postgraduate students

Financial delegation and/or budget responsibilities: Not applicable

Key responsibilities

Specific duties required of a Level C academic may include:

1. The conduct of tutorials, practical classes, demonstrations, workshops, student field excursions, clinical sessions and studio sessions
2. Initiation and development of course material
3. Course coordination
4. The preparation and delivery of lectures and seminars
5. Supervision of major honours or postgraduate research projects
6. Supervision of the program of study of honours students and of postgraduate students engaged in course work
7. The conduct of research
8. Significant role in research projects including, where appropriate, leadership of a research team
9. Involvement in professional activity
10. Consultation with students
11. Broad administrative functions
12. Marking and assessment
13. Attendance at departmental, school and/or faculty meetings and a major role in planning or committee work

Key selection criteria

Essential criteria

1. A Ph.D. in Political Science or International Relations
2. Demonstrated ability to make a significant contribution to the program's international relations undergraduate and postgraduate curriculum
3. Demonstrated history of excellence in teaching through documented teaching evaluations by peers and/or students
4. An established track record of achievement in research in International Relations, including publications and competitive grant applications
5. Demonstrated ability to supervise postgraduate research students, including Higher Degree by Research
6. Demonstrated capacity to work constructively and collaboratively with colleagues

Other job related information

- Travel (e.g. to other campuses of the University) may be required
- There may be peak periods of work during which the taking of leave may be restricted

Legal compliance

Ensure you are aware of and adhere to legislation and University policy relevant to the duties undertaken, including: Equal Employment Opportunity, supporting equity and fairness; Occupational Health and Safety, supporting a safe workplace; Conflict of Interest (including Conflict of Interest in Research); Paid Outside Work; Privacy; Research Conduct; and Staff/Student Relationships.