

Position Title	Lecturer
Classification	Level B
School/Division	School of Social Sciences
Centre/Section	Political Science and International Relations
Supervisor Title	Head of School
Supervisor Position Number	303033
Position Number	321644

Your work area

MandEval is an exciting new four-year project funded by the Medical Research Future Fund, bringing researchers from across the globe together to explore the introduction and impact of vaccine mandates on a global scale. The Lecturer will be responsible for a key aspect of this research, as well as collaborating within the project more generally and providing strategic input into future research direction.

MandEval sits within Political Science and International Relations in the School of Social Sciences, which offers a rich learning and research environment spanning social and environmental studies. The School offers an undergraduate program in Political Science and International Relations and postgraduate programs in International Relations, International Development and Public Policy. As well as undergraduate and postgraduate programs, the School supports an active research program, which includes the VaxPolLab, the operational unit in which MandEval sits.

VaxPolLab brings together new and existing programs of work on vaccine policy and regulation and the social science of vaccination from UWA's School of Social Sciences, Law School, School of Allied Health, and beyond. Lab members and affiliates study existing and potential vaccination policies within Australia and globally. The Lab explores how and why policies are designed and implemented, details of design and operation, and implications for populations and government.

Sitting within the VaxPolLab, the MRFF-funded MandEval Project will gather and use data on COVID-19 vaccine mandates and collaborate with key decision makers to guide policy for future COVID-19 waves and vaccines, future pandemic preparedness, and routine adult and childhood immunisation programs.

Reporting structure

Reports to: Head of School

Dotted line reports to: Associate Professor

Your role

This position will undertake specific directed research, selected HDR, Honours, and Masters supervision, research translation, and administrative work in the Medical Research Future Fund project "MandEval".

The appointee will also coordinate one unit of teaching per calendar year (40 workloaded points), or engage in the equivalent amount of teaching activities.

The appointee will be expected to work collaboratively with other VaxPolLab appointees and with investigators and staff across the wider interdisciplinary, multi-institutional MandEval project to achieve a series of milestones across a three-year appointment linked to the grant's lifespan.

Your key responsibilities

Contributes to research outcomes within VaxPolLab

- Driving key allocated research studies within the broader MandEval project
- Contributing to the compiling, submitting and overseeing of ethical review applications with external agencies and the University in conjunction with the MandEval Research Manager (a professional staff member)
- Directly conducting qualitative research as defined in the MandEval project grant.
- Supervising or co-supervising HDR student research connected to or building upon the MandEval project or VaxPolLab work.
- Participating in collaborative decision-making and cross-project support through meetings with co-researchers and broader project governance team.
- Enhance the reputation of the Lab, School and the University by leading and co-authoring MandEval research outputs of high impact in conjunction with the broader study team.
- Outward facing engagements (e.g. writing non-academic articles and publications, engaging with the media and public)
- Play a role in bids for major research funding from national and international competitive funding agencies, industry and government partners

Contributes to outstanding teaching and learning outcomes

- Contribute to world-class teaching in a single unit in the degree programs of the Department at either Undergraduate and Postgraduate levels; undertake related administrative duties as required
- Provide high quality supervision of Honours and Masters student research projects in health policy
- Contribute and commit to high quality teaching, and unit coordination
- Design and implement best practice assessment of student learning outcomes and participate in assessment panels

Service and Engagement

- Contribute to the functioning of VaxPolLab, with modest contributions to collegial life within the Discipline, Department, School, University and more broadly outside the institution
- Work within the legislative requirements of the University and support the University's commitment to inclusion and diversity.
- Undertake administrative duties as required in relation to the above research supervision.
- Perform other duties as directed by the Supervisor and the Head of School.

Your specific work capabilities (selection criteria)

Qualifications and / or certifications

- PhD or equivalent in political science and/or public policy

Research

- A demonstrable track record in excellence in research evidenced by peer-reviewed journal articles published in high quality journals relative to opportunity.
- Evidence of successful supervision or co-supervision of research students, relative to opportunity

Teaching and learning

- Demonstrated ability to deliver innovative teaching approaches, assessment and materials for units and courses, relative to opportunity
- Demonstrated commitment to inclusive teaching practices to extend equality of opportunity for all learners

Service/ Engagement

- Demonstrable experience of participation in public engagements that promote research, or engagement with government or industry.
- Demonstrated ability to relate well to staff and students at all levels and evidence of a commitment to equity and diversity principles
- Demonstrated ability to positively contribute to strategic planning for research and the development of VaxPolLab.

Position specific capabilities

- Experience with conducting research interviews.
- Experience with qualitative data analysis using relevant software.
- Experience with ethical review applications.

Special requirements (selection criteria)

n/a

Compliance

Ensure you are aware of and comply with legislation and University policy relevant to the duties undertaken, including:

The University's Code of Conduct [Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct](#)

Inclusion and Diversity web.uwa.edu.au/inclusion-diversity

Safety, health and wellbeing [Safety and Health Policy](#)