Lecturer in Psychology and External Relationships Liaison

College/Division       Health and Medicine
School/Section        School of Psychological Sciences
Location              Hobart or Launceston
Classification        Level B
Reporting line        Director Postgraduate Programs and Clinic Director

Position Summary

The University of Tasmania is building a vision of a place-based University with a mission to enhance the intellectual, economic, social and cultural future of Tasmania, and from Tasmania, contribute to the world in areas of distinctive advantage. The University recognises that achieving this vision is dependent on the people we employ as well as creating a people-centered University that is values-based, relational, diverse, and development-focused.

We are seeking to appoint a Lecturer level B, in Psychology and External Relationships Liaison in the School of Psychological Sciences, part of the College of Health and Medicine. Our School is growing the mental health work force for Tasmania. We offer undergraduate degrees in psychological sciences and counselling, and postgraduate degrees in clinical and professional psychology and counselling. The School has expanded our program, making training pathways for psychologists accessible across the state. We are searching for academic, Clinical and/or Educational and Developmental Psychologists, who will join this journey that will provide much needed support for the growing demand on the Tasmanian mental health work force.

The Lecturer in Psychology and External Relationships Liaison (Level B) is an exciting opportunity to work with the leadership team to shape how we grow the mental health work force for Tasmania. The successful applicant will collaborate with the Tasmanian Mental Health Community to manage existing and develop new placements for Psychology Masters students, to ensure that students achieve required professional practice competencies. The appointee will also make a strong contribution to teaching and supervision in a range of clinical and/or educational and developmental topics at postgraduate level. The appointee will be expected to build and maintain relationships with new and existing placement providers, working with students and supervisors on external placements. They will also contribute to face-to-face, blended and online delivery of teaching within the psychology teaching programs and engage in supervision of provisional psychologists and researchers. This will be a teaching intensive or focused position. The position can be based on the Hobart or Launceston Campus. We will also consider fractional appointments. The incumbent will be expected to travel when required to meet with our external collaborators.

Why work with the University of Tasmania? Tasmania is a very special place and a wonderful place to live and work. It is home to some of the most pristine natural beauty in Australia and offers a fantastic quality of life for individuals and for families. Tasmania is home to the iconic MONA, events such as Dark MOFO, and Festivale, and a unique food and beverage culture. Tasmania’s metropolitan areas pack a lot into relatively small spaces, meaning short commute times, with schools not far from University campuses. As the only University on the island, we play a crucial role within the community as the key provider of tertiary education, vocational training, and research. We seek to impact Tasmania and the world through the contributions of our staff, students, and graduates. Further information about working at the University can be found on our website.

We are an inclusive workplace committed to working from the strength that diversity brings reflected in our Statement of Values. We are dedicated to attracting, retaining and developing our people and are committed to inclusive principles. We celebrate the range of diverse assets that gender identity, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, age and life course bring. Applications are encouraged from all sectors of the community. Tell us how we can make this job work for you.
What You’ll Do

- Make an effective and sustained contribution to the University in achieving its strategic objectives and fulfilling its operational responsibilities.
- Work collaboratively with external partners to ensure students on placement are receiving appropriate training experiences (including the required hours of supervision and achievement of competencies) selecting the most appropriate students for placements, And ensuring that placements meet the requirements of the Psychology Board of Australia and the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council.
- Develop new external relationships to grow the number of opportunities for the Masters Students and psychological services for the Tasmanian community.
- Collaborate closely between the Director of the University Psychology Clinic, Director of Postgraduate Professional Training Programs and external stakeholders to manage all risks associated with student placements, including reputational, health, safety, quality and sustainability risks.
- Contribute to the supervision of provisional psychologists as they undertake their placements in the University Psychology Clinic, and/or external placements as required. Supervision would include supervising therapy and/or assessment activities and associated tasks.
- Undertake contemporary scholarly postgraduate (and where required, undergraduate) coursework teaching of a high quality.
- Contribute to curriculum and assessment development and unit coordination in postgraduate (and undergraduate where required) course offerings, for both face-to-face and online models of learning and teaching.
- The appointee may contribute to the high-quality research efforts of the School, for example through contributing to supervision of research students (Honours and Masters) and collaborating on research projects in the University Psychology Clinic.
- Contribute to the collective effort of building a successful collegial culture within the School and University through service and engagement activities within the University, with our communities and through your scientific discipline.
- We aim for everyone to have a positive experience at our university, and you will contribute toward creating a university culture that is safe and supportive by treating all staff, students and community with fairness, equity and respect. You will help ensure the workplace is free from harassment, bullying, victimisation and discrimination, creating a workplace that is an inspiring and safe place to be.
- Undertake other duties as assigned by the supervisor.
What We’re Looking For (success criteria)

- A PhD in Psychology or equivalent (for example, Masters of Clinical and/or Educational and Developmental Psychology with practice and supervision experience).
- Ability to develop and implement skills in scholarly and innovative approaches to University-level teaching and learning in postgraduate Psychology, including blended and online educational approaches.
- Current registration as a Psychologist in Australia with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency, and Clinical and/or Educational and Developmental Psychology Area of Practice Endorsement with no conditions, undertakings or reprimands
- Current Psychology Board of Australia Approved Supervisor Status (or eligibility to obtain this qualification), with approval to supervise provisional psychologists during an accredited higher degree program
- Knowledge of, and ability to apply, Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) accreditation standards to curriculum development and implementation
- A commitment to impactful research that has worthwhile contributions to the field of Psychological Sciences and/or Counselling, demonstrated by a record of quality publications, and/or impactful policy documentation, and/or conference presentations.
- A record of contributing to building and maintaining effective and productive links locally and nationally with the discipline, profession, industry (where relevant) and wider community.
- Excellent interpersonal skills, including the ability to liaise with a wide range of stakeholders including organisations external to the University, practicing psychologists, and academic and professional staff
- A good record of working collaboratively within a team to achieve a common goal and display the ability to work in a manner that aligns with the University’s values.

Other position requirements

- Regular travel to visit external collaborators will be required or to deliver teaching and learning outcomes

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The University of Tasmania is an institution with an enduring commitment to our state and community, and a strong global outlook. We are committed to enhancing the intellectual, economic, social and cultural future of Tasmania. Our Strategic Direction strongly reflects the University community's voice that our University must be place based but globally connected as well as regionally networked and designed to deliver quality access to higher education for the whole State.

We believe that from our unique position here in Tasmania we can impact the world through the contributions of our staff, students and graduates. We recognise that achieving this vision is dependent on the people we employ, as well as creating a university that is values-based, relational, diverse, and development-focused.

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