



SENIOR LECTURER - ECOLOGY

DEPARTMENT/UNIT School of Biological Sciences

FACULTY/DIVISION Faculty of Science

CLASSIFICATION Level C

WORK LOCATION Clayton Campus

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.

The **Faculty of Science** contributes to the university's goals via research, teaching and partnerships with industry, government and individual supporters. Our five Schools cover a large and diverse range of disciplines in undergraduate and postgraduate courses. Ten Schools from other university faculties contribute to science teaching at all levels, allowing students to choose their studies from physical, biological, biomedical, behavioural, environmental, mathematical and computer sciences. The research in the Faculty of Science is carried out by world-class researchers. Their work spans the theoretical to the applied, contributes to new knowledge and technologies, and challenges how we interact with the world. To learn more about the Faculty of Science, please visit our website: www.monash.edu/science/.

The School of Biological Sciences has an international reputation for the highest quality research and education programs. We aim to be a global leader in the life sciences. Areas of expertise include: molecular and cellular genetics, evolutionary genetics, disease causality, adaptation to environmental change and disease resistance, community ecology and ecosystem functioning, the impacts on biodiversity, and strategies to mitigate major environmental challenges. The School also hosts the Centre for Geometric Biology, a hub of interdisciplinary research excellence integrating state-of-the-art methods in quantitative ecology and evolutionary biology, microbiology and physiology, to understand how living things convert energy flows to mass, at all scales of biological organisation (from cancer cells, to schools of fish, to whole communities and ecosystems). Simply put, the School of Biological Sciences is interested in all forms of life, interactions between the environment and

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genetics/genomics and strategies to improve human and environmental health. To help us achieve our aims, we have a strong complement of academic, research and professional staff and a large and high achieving student population. We encourage applications from academics of diverse backgrounds and have a number of support processes to aid the transition to Australian research and education sectors. For more information about the School of Biological Sciences, please visit our website: https://www.monash.edu/science/schools/biological-sciences.

POSITION PURPOSE

The Senior Lecturer role requires skills in the area of ecology, specialising in any of its sub-disciplines, including but not limited to microbial, physiological, evolutionary, genomic, or quantitative ecology. A Level C academic is expected to make significant contributions 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 Head of the School of Biological Sciences

Supervisory Responsibilities: Staff and students with the successful applicant's research group

Financial Delegation: Not applicable

Budgetary Responsibilities: Related to research activities

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Specific duties required of a Level C academic may include:

- 1. Conduct of high quality Research
- 2. The attainment of competitive and/or industry-based research funding
- 3. The publication and dissemination of research outcomes
- 4. Supervision of honours, masters and postgraduate students, including academic staff members
- 5. The preparation and delivery of lectures and seminars
- **6.** The conduct of tutorials, practical classes, demonstrations, workshops, student field excursions, lectures, practical classes, demonstrations, workshops and act as a subject coordinator
- 7. Initiation and development of subject material
- 8. Significant role in research projects including, where appropriate, leadership of a research team
- 9. Involvement in professional activity mainly in the teaching and research area of specialisation
- 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

Education/Qualifications

1. The appointee will have:

A doctoral qualification in ecology or a related discipline or equivalent accreditation and standing

Knowledge and Skills

- **2.** Possess a high level of interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to work independently and as part of a team across the research, education and service sectors
- **3.** Demonstrated publication record in high-quality research output, conferences equivalent textbooks or teaching resources
- 4. Demonstrated ability to apply for and receive competitive grant funding
- **5.** Demonstrated national (or equivalent) reputation for research excellence and the potential to be an international leader
- **6.** The potential to work collaboratively and synergistically with other academics within the School of Biological Sciences and/or other academics across Monash University
- 7. A demonstrated ability to supervise graduate and post-graduate research students
- 8. A demonstrated capacity to work in a collegiate manner with other staff in the workplace

OTHER JOB RELATED INFORMATION

- Travel to other campuses of the University may be required
- There may be a requirement to work additional hours from time to time
- There may be peak periods of work during which taking of leave may be restricted

GOVERNANCE

Monash University expects staff to appropriately balance risk and reward in a manner that is sustainable to its long-term future, contribute to a culture of honesty and integrity, and provide an environment that is safe, secure and inclusive. Ensure you are aware of and adhere to University policies relevant to the duties undertaken and the values of the University. This is a standard which the University sees as the benchmark for all of its activities in Australia and internationally.