

1 Advertisement

Post Title: Professor of Sustainability and Innovation Studies

School/department: University of Sussex Business School, SPRU

Hours: Full Time considered up to a maximum of 36.5/week

Requests for flexible working options will be considered (subject to business need).

Contract: Permanent

Reference: Ref 7195

Salary: Competitive

Placed on: 21 December 2021

Closing date: 01 February 2022. Applications must be received by midnight of the closing date.

Expected Interview date: TBC

Expected start date: ASAP By agreement

- The University of Sussex Business School's Science Policy Research Unit (SPRU) is seeking to appoint an outstanding Professor of Sustainability and Innovation Studies.
- The Professor will be expected to take a leadership role in the School's online teaching portfolio and enhance its global reputation as a leading centre for innovation studies, and SPRU's research leadership in sustainable development.
- The candidate will have significant experience of high-quality teaching, curriculum development and PhD supervision;
- An extensive publication and citation record in leading innovation management and policy journals;
- A proven track record of securing grants from external funding agencies and research leadership in managing large projects.

Please contact Jeremy Hall (jeremy.k.hall@sussex.ac.uk) for informal enquiries.

"Please note that this position may be subject to [ATAS clearance](#) if you require visa sponsorship."

For full details and how to apply see our [vacancies page](#)

The University of Sussex values the diversity of its staff and students and we welcome applicants from all backgrounds.

2. The School / Division

Please find further information regarding the school/division at:

<https://www.sussex.ac.uk/business-school/>

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3. Job Description

Job Description for the post of: Professor of Sustainability and Innovation Studies

Department: Science Policy Research Unit (SPRU)

Section/Unit/School: University of Sussex Business School

Location: Falmer, Brighton, UK

Grade: 10

Responsible to: Head of School

Responsible for: NA

- Professor is the senior career-grade teaching and research position. Post-holders will be expected to possess demonstrable academic leadership in research and teaching, support the management and strategic planning processes of the School and the University, and enhance the institute's global reputation.

4. Person Specification

1. Normally educated to doctoral level, or other equivalent qualification, or appropriate level of experience, as appropriate to the discipline.
2. Ability to lead and manage a major research programme.
3. Substantial track record of significant and high-quality publications in reputable management and policy journals and other appropriate media of similar standing.
4. A proven track record of impactful research, for example as measured by citations.
5. An established international reputation as a leader in the field of study.
6. A successful track record of generating research and knowledge exchange income, and the translation of research results into practice.
7. Excellent interpersonal skills, with the proven ability to engage with students using a variety of different methods, including those suitable for online teaching.
8. Experience of high-quality teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.
9. Significant experience supervising postgraduate students.
10. Experience of successful research-informed curriculum design or re-design, and a willingness to develop excellent online student training.
11. Evidence of proactive contribution to School and/or University.

12. Excellent presentation skills, with the proven ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with students, colleagues and external audiences, in person and online.
13. Leadership and people management skills.
14. Ability to exercise a high degree of innovation and creative problem-solving.
15. Excellent organisational and administrative skills.
16. Ability to prioritise and meet deadlines.
17. A willingness to participate in support activities beyond normal duties.
18. Excellent IT skills, with the ability to produce high-quality learning support materials.

ESSENTIAL ROLE-SPECIFIC CRITERIA

- A PhD in a related field (e.g. Economics of Innovation, Energy Policy/ Studies, Innovation Management, Science & Technology Policy, Technology Assessment, etc., preferably with a focus on sustainability).
- Proven track record of securing research funding in the area of innovation studies, management or sustainable development.
- Experience of successful curriculum design or re-design and adoption/development of innovative research-informed teaching methods, preferably with online platforms.
- Excellent knowledge of contemporary issues and debates within the area of innovation policy, sustainable development and energy demand, including behaviour and social psychology.
- Ability to communicate to academics and students with a wide range of disciplinary backgrounds.
- A proven publication and citation record in innovation management/policy journals.
- Evidence of research impact in innovation policy and management.

DESIRABLE ROLE-SPECIFIC CRITERIA

- A recognised higher education teaching qualification.
- Evidence of research partnerships with international research institutes, especially in the European Union.
- Membership of professional body, if appropriate.