

Lecturer/Senior Lecturer/Reader in the History and Culture of the Ancient Near East
University of Birmingham - Department of Ancient History and Archaeology

Location: Birmingham

Salary: £39,993 to £74,259 a year

Hours: Full Time

Contract Type: Permanent

Placed on: 12th January 2018

Closes: 23rd February 2018

Job Ref: 528

Salary: £39,993 - £74,259 (Lecturer salary from £39,993 - £47,722 a year with potential progression (to £53,690 a year)). (Senior Lecturer/Reader salary from £49,148 - £56,950 a year with potential progression (to £74,259 a year)). The successful candidate will be appointed at the grade appropriate to their experience and qualifications.

The Department of Classics, Ancient History and Archaeology is seeking to appoint a member of staff at the level of Lecturer, Senior Lecturer or Reader (depending on the experience of the successful candidate), in Ancient Near Eastern Studies and in particular in the history and cultures of societies within this broad geographical area. The successful candidate will continue the University of Birmingham's longstanding commitment to the study of the region and its cultures and, in particular, to Assyriology. The successful candidate could work on any period from the third to the first millennium BC and the thematic expertise of the successful candidate is open. Knowledge of, and the ability to teach, relevant scripts and language is essential. Ideally, candidates' work should complement and enhance the existing strengths within the Department of Classics, Ancient History and Archaeology and links might be made to those who work on Egypt and the Aegean, or to those using the same methodological, theoretical or thematic approaches to ancient cultures.

The appointment will work within the Department of Classics, Ancient History and Archaeology to bolster its research strength and will be expected to participate in our plans for the REF. An internationally outstanding research record (as defined by REF), appropriate to their career stage, is essential for the successful candidate. The Department of Classics, Ancient History and Archaeology was ranked fifth overall by the REF2014 national research audit. It is home to a lively and supportive research environment, and a community of scholars dedicated to scholarly excellence. Beyond the department, the School of History and Cultures and the College of Arts and Law encourage interdisciplinary collaboration in teaching and research, while retaining departmental identities for staff and students.

The successful candidate will be expected to provide or contribute to modules on their broad subject of expertise for undergraduates, to contribute to core modules on ancient history more generally, and to Ancient Near East language modules if appropriate (exact languages to be decided in discussion with the successful candidate). In due course they will also be asked to contribute to modules for master's level students and will, eventually, be expected to recruit MRes and PhD students.

Expected start date September 2018

To submit an electronic application online visit:

www.hr.bham.ac.uk/jobs. For informal enquiries, please contact Dr Gareth Sears, Head of Department, Department of Classics, Ancient History and Archaeology; or Professor Sabine Lee, Head of School, School of History and Cultures, The University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TT. Email: g.m.sears@bham.ac.uk; S.LEE.HST@bham.ac.uk.