Chair in Global Health
Hull York Medical School & The Department of Health Sciences

Closing date: 25 March 2018
Interview date: 30 April 2018
Vacancy reference: 6456
INTRODUCTION

The Hull York Medical School and the Department of Health Sciences are seeking to appoint a Professor of Global Health. This post reflects the partnership between these departments; the post holder will conduct their research within the Department of Health Sciences and contribute teaching and leadership to the Medical School.

The joint medical school of the Universities of Hull and York, the Hull York Medical School has a reputation as one of the UK’s most exciting, contemporary schools. Since it was established in 2003, it has been inspiring doctors and academic leaders of the future with the research, skills and knowledge they need to look at things differently and advance improvements in healthcare around the world. The Medical School has helped develop excellent and sustainable research teams in strategic areas, generating important findings and translating these into benefits for society. This new post will join Hull-York Medical School Centre for Health and Population Sciences, which brings together expertise in epidemiology, public health, primary care, social medicine, psychology and mental health to address issues related to population health and healthcare. Based in the Department of Health Sciences, the appointee will also benefit from the support offered by a large multi-disciplinary team with expertise in a range of methodologies that underpin applied health research, including the world-class York Trials Unit, Centre for Health Economics and the Centre for Reviews and Dissemination.

This appointment is part of a key strategic development aimed at recruiting leaders in global health research. We recognise that demographic, economic and epidemiological transitions worldwide are accelerating premature morbidity and mortality from chronic non-communicable diseases (NCDs). The emergence of chronic NCDs imposes high health, societal, and economic burdens that disproportionately affect those in low resource settings, so we are committed to generating high quality evidence that helps to address important global challenges in NCD. This appointment will strengthen and expand research to tackle the burden of chronic NCDs in low- and middle-income countries. In particular, the new Professor of Global Health will be expected to avail opportunities offered by the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF) recently announced by the UK Government to support cutting-edge research that addresses the challenges faced by developing countries.

Professor Una Macleod
Dean, Hull York Medical School

Professor Karl Atkin
Head of Department, Health Sciences
We are seeking an individual with an outstanding track record of research and in building innovative research collaborations between low- and middle-income countries and high-income countries to tackle health issues that transcend national boundaries. Candidates interested in generating new knowledge on prevention and management of NCDs in low- and middle-income countries are particularly welcome. The successful candidate will be conversant with the range of methods used in population health, and health services research. We would particularly welcome applications from candidates with strong track records in one or more of the following areas of research: trials, large datasets, implementation science, epidemiology, policy research, health economics, observational studies, systematic reviews or evidence synthesis. The post is available to clinically or non-clinically qualified applicants. The appointee will also provide senior-level leadership in the teaching of global health within the University.

**Key responsibilities**

(Role holders will be required to undertake some or all of the duties below)

**To support the research activities of the Department of Health Sciences**

- To carry out internationally outstanding research and scholarship
- To disseminate this research through monographs, articles in journals of international standing, and other appropriate forms of dissemination, including national and international conference presentations
- To play a leading role in the Department in identifying and securing external funding through research grants and contracts, and in developing collaborative research income-generating activities
- To attract and supervise research students, and, as appropriate, post-doctoral researchers and other support staff
- To support, comply with, and contribute fully to research plans and policies of the Department and the University
- To support and mentor junior academic colleagues in order to promote quality of teaching and research and their career development

**To support the teaching objectives of the Hull York Medical School and the Department of Health Sciences**

- To design and be responsible for delivery of modules and teaching programmes for undergraduate and graduate students
- To develop intercalation options for MB BS students in Global Health
- To play a leading role in departmental and interdepartmental curriculum development and quality enhancement
- To coordinate team teaching, as required, including liaison with other staff and with postgraduates who teach
- To design and mark assessments, and give feedback
- To supervise undergraduate and graduate projects and dissertations
JOB DESCRIPTION

- To carry out teaching in Continuing Professional Development
- To undertake pastoral support of students, as a personal supervisor or in another designated role
- To support and promote fully the University and Department teaching quality assurance standards and procedures

To contribute to the efficient management and administration of the Hull York Medical School and the Department of Health Sciences

- To make an important contribution to the leadership and management of the Department, including supporting early career staff and developing new collaborative initiatives
- To attend Departmental meetings, meetings of the Board of Studies, and other committees and working groups within the Department and University
- To carry out relevant professional duties, commensurate with the Professorial grade
- To undertake specific departmental roles and management functions as may be reasonably required by the Head of Department
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<td>PhD in Global Health or a related area</td>
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<td>Membership of professional societies</td>
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<td><strong>Knowledge</strong></td>
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<td>Outstanding and internationally recognised knowledge of relevant subject area</td>
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<td><strong>Skills, abilities and competencies</strong></td>
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<td>Ability to define, lead, manage and attract funds for internationally excellent research, operating across disciplinary boundaries</td>
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<td>Proven leadership and managerial skills</td>
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<td>Ability to manage and interact with staff and students at all levels and to contribute to broadening the strategic development of the School and Department</td>
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<td><strong>Experience</strong></td>
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<td>International leader in a major research field, leadership of research group/theme</td>
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<td>Substantial publication record in leading peer-reviewed journals</td>
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<td>Attraction and effective supervision of doctoral and masters postgraduate students</td>
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<td>Significant and sustained success in accessing research grants and other external funding</td>
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<td>Effective and sustained involvement in major administrative tasks or positions of responsibility within a department or research unit</td>
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<td>Invited presentations at major international conferences</td>
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<td>Exceptional achievement in curriculum development, course design and teaching, learning and assessment methods at UG and PG levels and in encouraging student access and engagement</td>
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# PERSON SPECIFICATION

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<td>Editorial duties with journals</td>
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<td>Activity as an invited examiner at other institutions</td>
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<td>Participation in national teaching initiatives or international equivalents</td>
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<td>Demonstrable capacity for strategic thinking and planning</td>
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<td>Self-motivated, pro-active and innovative</td>
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The Department of Health Sciences is located in modern, purpose built accommodation on the University’s Heslington West Campus and includes 280 academics, teachers, researchers and support staff engaged in delivering research, professional development, education and training. Teaching and research programmes are underpinned by excellent administrative support systems for staff.

Department’s core aim is excellence in teaching and research, while contributing to improving health and healthcare through the application of our research to policy and practice. Its research is characterised by: interdisciplinary and international collaboration; a robust scientific foundation; and relevance for policy and practice. The Department organises its research activities around six core themes: mental health and addiction (Professor Simon Gilbody); trials and statistics (Professor David Torgerson); public health and society (Professor Kate Pickett); cancer epidemiology (Professor Eve Roman); cardiovascular health (Professor Patrick Doherty); and health services and policy (Professor Karen Bloor). Academic disciplines represented in the Department include epidemiology, biostatistics, health economics, social policy, sociology and applied psychology. Its multidisciplinary staff group also includes clinical academics involved in public health, primary care and mental health.

The Department has a strong culture of delivering research impact and in doing research that makes a difference. A key object of its research is to ensure our work has high visibility and impact with national and international audiences. This includes producing evidence, which enables practitioners and policy makers to develop more effective interventions and gain insight into how social and economic context mediates the experience of health and the provision of health care.

In 2016/2017 the Department’s research related income was over £8.2 million, with over 140 staff actively involved in research. Funding comes from a number of sources including the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR), the Department of Health, the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Medical Research Council (MRC), the British Heart Foundation (BHF), Cancer Research UK, Wellcome and Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases (GACD). In the most recent assessment of research quality in the UK (the 2014 Research Excellence Framework), the Department, along with its partners, the Centre for Health Economics, the Centre for Reviews and Dissemination and the Hull York Medical School, was ranked 7th nationally in the subject area of public health, health services and primary care. Members of the Department also contributed to returns in Sociology (ranked first) and Social Policy (ranked third). Eighty three per cent of outputs submitted by our academic staff members have been judged as world leading or internationally excellent in terms of originality, significance and rigour. Our impacts were also judged to be outstanding or very considerable in terms of reach and significance. The department was ranked equal first nationally for its research environment and all aspects of our research environment were judged to produce research of world leading quality in terms of vitality and sustainability.

The department currently has over 1000 enrolled students on its suite of health professional education programmes and more traditional postgraduate provision (including a Masters in Public Health), enjoying the highest standards of
professional and academic training in a lively and stimulating
environment. It has an international reputation in the area of
evidence-based practice and teaching across professional
programmes is specifically designed to allow candidates to
apply this knowledge to clinical practice. The Department also
strives to provide a positive working environment that
enables our staff and students to contribute fully to the life of
the Department, to achieve their full potential, and to flourish.
The Department of Health Sciences recognises the importance
of ensuring equality and fairness for all our staff and students.
We are proud to have developed an Athena SWAN working
group that is promoting a culture of equality within the
Department. Our group successfully achieved an Athena
SWAN Bronze Award in 2013.

The Hull York Medical School offers exceptional medical
education delivered by senior academics and clinicians in a
stimulating and supportive environment with world-class
facilities. At undergraduate level the School’s MB BS Medicine
programme offers an innovative curriculum focused on
clinician led problem based learning and early and sustained
clinical exposure across a range of primary and secondary
healthcare settings. This approach ensures students graduate
as excellent thinkers, evidence-based practitioners and patient
-centred communicators who are able to deliver brilliant
healthcare. In addition, we offer a Masters in Physician
Associate Studies.

Hull York Medical School facilities at Hull and York offer a
stimulating environment in which to learn. The Allam Medical
Building at the heart of the University of Hull’s £28million
Health Campus is home to Hull York Medical School in Hull,
which provides medical students with the opportunity to
learn alongside other healthcare professionals. At York,
medical students have a dedicated facility on the University’s
west campus – amidst 500 acres of landscaped campus – and
benefit from investments totalling £500million made by the
University since 2000.

Hull York Medical School’s unique partnership brings together
the expertise of both the Universities of Hull and York and
offers a thriving environment in which to conduct world-
leading research. Strong partnerships with NHS Trusts and
community health organisations offer a wide clinical base
within which to study those conditions which most affect our
communities – improving their health while developing
research work that can be applied nationally and globally.
The School’s academic and clinical researchers at have a
strong reputation for their work, 85% of which is classed as
‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’ (REF 2014). Their
research is advancing improvements in healthcare –
treatment, diagnosis and care – improving the health of people
locally and impacting national and international health
agendas in areas such as cancer research, palliative medicine,
mental health and global public health.

The Hull York Medical School holds a Silver Athena SWAN
award.

As well as a unique partnership between the Universities of
Hull and York, Hull York Medical School works with NHS
Trusts, Mental and Community Health organisations and GPs
across the Yorkshire Region. These partnerships ensure the
School remains in touch with the healthcare needs of the
communities it serves as well as abreast of current and future
workforce challenges.

For further information on Hull York Medical School and the
Department of Health Sciences, please see;
www.hyms.ac.uk
www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/
THE UNIVERSITY

Founded on principles of excellence, equality and opportunity for all, the University of York opened in 1963 with just 230 students. In 2018 it is the home of more than 17,000 students across more than 30 academic departments and research centres. Since opening over fifty years ago, we have become one of the world’s leading universities and a member of the prestigious Russell Group.

We are consistently recognised as one of the leading Higher Education Institutes and one of just six post-war universities which appear in the world top 100 (2013-14) and 15th in the Times & Sunday Times league table (2016). The University of York has won six Times Higher Education (THE) Awards and five Queen’s Anniversary Prizes.

The University is proud of its association with Athena SWAN, holding 12 awards in support of gender equality, representation and success for all, with gold awards for Chemistry and Biology and a University-wide bronze award.

Of 154 universities that took part in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) in 2014, The University of York ranked 14th overall and 10th for the impact of our research. The University is consistently in the top ten UK research universities and attracts over £60m a year of funding from research alone.

Our vision is to make the University of York a world leader in the creation of knowledge through fundamental and applied research, the sharing of knowledge by teaching students from varied backgrounds and the application of knowledge for the health, prosperity and well-being of people and society.
Attractive workplace

Centred around the picturesque village of Heslington on the edge of the city of York, our colleges are set in an attractive landscaped campus. York enjoys a safe, friendly atmosphere with facilities including bars, shops, theatres and concert halls all within easy walking distance.

The University has undergone an unprecedented period of expansion and renewal since 2000. We have invested in twenty new buildings on the original campus and have completed the first and second phases of a £750m campus expansion. Our investment in new colleges, teaching and learning spaces, laboratories, research facilities and a new sports village mean there has never been a better time to join us.

During this period of change we've worked hard to retain our friendly, informal and collegiate atmosphere, which is important to our core values of inclusivity and interdisciplinarity.

We have a thriving international community and are committed to providing staff moving to York with as much support as possible through our Relocation Package and Welcome Officers.

The University aims to offer a nurturing and supportive environment as an employer. Flexible working hours, nursery facilities, childcare vouchers, cycle to work scheme, generous holidays and an attractive pension scheme all make the University of York one of the region’s leading employers.

For further information please visit our employee benefit pages
The City of York

Internationally acclaimed for its rich heritage and historic architecture, York's bustling streets are filled with visitors from all over the world. Within its medieval walls you will find the iconic gothic Minster, Clifford's Tower and the Shambles - just a few of the many attractions.

But York isn't just a great place to visit - it's also a great place to live and work. While nourishing a vibrant cosmopolitan atmosphere, York still maintains the friendly sense of community unique to a small city.

Visit www.visityork.org for more information on the city of York.

Shopping, culture and entertainment

York boasts specialist and unique boutiques but also all the high street stores on its busy shopping streets. Alongside them you will find cinemas, theatres, an opera house, art galleries, a vast range of restaurants, live music venues and clubs. York is particularly renowned for its multitude of pubs and bars, from the modern to the medieval.

Housing and schools

Whether you choose to live close to the city, in one of the surrounding villages or further afield, you will find a wide range of housing within comfortable distance of York and the University. For families, the area has a range of excellent schools both in the state and independent sector.

Great location

York is one of Britain's best-connected cities. Halfway between London and Edinburgh on the East Coast mainline, on intercity trains you can reach London King's Cross in less than two hours and Edinburgh in two and a half hours. York is also well served by road links, and it is easily accessible from the A1, M1 and the M62.

For those travelling from overseas, Manchester Airport is two hours away and Heathrow Airport just three and a half. Flights from nearby Leeds Bradford Airport provide easy access to mainland Europe. By Eurostar from London St Pancras, Paris is just over six hours away.

Yorkshire

The Lonely Planet guide recently declared Yorkshire the third best region in the world to visit. There is something to cater to every taste, whether it be the rugged landscapes of the Moors or the Dales, the picturesque seaside towns of Scarborough and Robin Hoods Bay, the gothic architecture of Whitby or the vibrancy of cosmopolitan Leeds.
Apply online

- Go to https://jobs.york.ac.uk
- Find this job using reference 6456
- Complete the online application form

You will need to submit your completed application by midnight (local UK time) on 25 March 2018.

What will I need?

We will ask you for details of:

- Your CV
- A letter describing how you meet the requirements of the job
- A statement of your research and teaching intentions

You will also need details of three academic referees (one International) and one Employment referee.

Help and assistance

Direct any informal queries to Professor Una Macleod (una.macleod@hyms.ac.uk) or Professor Karl Atkin (karl.atkin@york.ac.uk)

If you have any questions about your application, contact the HR Services team:

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