Senior Lecturer in Global Health
Hull York Medical School

Closing date: 3 October 2018
Interview date: To be confirmed
Vacancy reference: 6925
INTRODUCTION

The Hull York Medical School and the Department of Health Sciences, University of York are seeking to appoint a Senior Lecturer in Global Health—with expertise in Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs).

The Hull York Medical School and the University of York have an ambitious programme to expand leadership, expertise and capacity in global health research, with significant new investment in research and teaching posts, including two Senior Lecturers, a Lecturer and Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowships in Global Health. The programme has been accelerated by York’s recent success in securing three NIHR Global Health Research Groups, focusing on mental and physical comorbidity; tobacco control and health econometrics; and economics evidence informed policy. We recognise that 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 NCDs. This appointment will strengthen and expand research to tackle the burden of chronic NCDs in low- and middle-income countries.

The post holder will conduct their research within the Department of Health Sciences and contribute teaching and leadership to the Medical School. The post will join HYMS Centre for Health and Population Sciences (CHaPS) and be based within the Public Health and Society Research Group in the Department of Health Sciences. The post will 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. There are also exciting opportunities for interdisciplinary research with the recent establishment of the Interdisciplinary Global Development Centre (IGDC) at York. The post-holder will also benefit from an extensive network of international partners and collaborators, including national institutes of public health, universities, policymakers, and research and development NGOs in South Asia.

The successful applicant will have a PhD, and track record of high quality applied global health research preferably within the field of non-communicable diseases, along with demonstrated ability to attract competitive peer-reviewed research funding, lead and manage projects and generate high quality research outputs. He/she will be expected to grow an internationally recognised research portfolio and to contribute to the teaching and assessment of HYMS students. In particular, the post-holder will be expected to support the current programme of work on global tobacco control, and to avail opportunities offered by the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF) to attract funding for non-communicable diseases 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
Professor Ian Watt, Head of CHaPS, Hull York Medical School, Department of Health Sciences
Professor Kamran Siddiqi, Hull York Medical School, Department of Health Sciences
**Main purpose of the role**

We are seeking an individual with a good track record of global health research and in building international research collaborations to address key knowledge gaps and support evidence based NCDs policy and practice in developing countries. Candidates interested in generating new knowledge on tobacco control 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, in addition to having expertise and an established track record in one or more of the following areas of research: trials, large datasets, implementation science, 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 public health.

**Key responsibilities**

**To support the research activities of the Department of Health Sciences**
- To carry out internationally outstanding research and scholarship
- To support the current programme of research on tobacco control in South Asia
- To disseminate 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 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 research and teaching and 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 MBBS students e.g. in population 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
- 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 Medical School/Department, including assuming research citizenship roles, supporting early career staff, developing research teams and developing new collaborative initiatives
- To attend Medical School/Departmental meetings, meetings of the Board of Studies, and other committees and working groups within the Medical School/Department and University
- To carry out relevant professional duties, commensurate with the Senior Lecturer grade
- To undertake specific departmental roles and management functions as may be reasonably required by the Dean of the Medical School and/or Head of Department.
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<td>Attraction and effective supervision of doctoral or masters postgraduate students</td>
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<td>Effective 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>Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work effectively with a range of people and teams</td>
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<td>Willingness to take a lead in key administration functions within the Medical School/department</td>
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The Hull York Medical School brings together the strengths of the Universities of Hull and York in the life, clinical, health, and social sciences. The development of the Hull York Medical School also builds on a strong partnership with NHS authorities and trusts in North and East Yorkshire, and Northern Lincolnshire (NEYNL).

The Hull York Medical School admitted its first 130 students into the MB BS programme in September 2003 and following the recent Department of Health initiative to expand the number of medical school places, has been awarded an additional 90 places. The Medical School is taking a distinctive and innovative approach to training doctors for the health services of the 21st century. It aims to influence positively the recruitment and retention of health professionals in the region and the quality of local services, at the same time ensuring that its students match or surpass the standards achieved elsewhere in the UK. Its admissions policies and criteria reflect society’s aspirations to widen access to, and participation in, medical training for high quality students. We offer a modern learning environment with high quality training and clinical attachment opportunities for the various contexts of contemporary health care delivery. There is a strong focus on learning in community settings, including primary care, and on working collaboratively with other health professionals.

**Hull York Medical School Undergraduate Programmes**

The Hull York Medical School currently offers a five year MB BS programme which consists of a core curriculum meeting the requirements of Tomorrow’s Doctors, and uses a wide range of contemporary learning and assessment methods and strategies in an integrated structure. Opportunities for student selected study are provided in all years through a Scholarship and Special Interests Programme (SSIP); this involves input from academic and clinical tutors and encourages students to develop research and other transferrable skills whilst pursuing those topics that most interest them. For selected students, there is an opportunity to undertake an intercalated B.Sc. (Honours) degree or MSc at the end of year 2 and 3 respectively.

The undergraduate medical programme is campus based in the first two years. During that time, students are based primarily on either Hull or York University Campus for the first two years, giving the course academic and social coherence and at the same time enabling students to have early clinical experience within 30 minutes travelling time. At the end of year two, students form a single cohort for allocation to clinical attachments across the primary, community and hospital care sectors of the North and East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire. The challenges associated with a split-site entry and geographically dispersed locations for clinical placements are addressed by having a single curriculum, the development of common course materials and the use of modern communication and information technologies.

**The Curriculum**

We aim to produce graduates committed to lifelong learning and to practicing medicine that is based on evidence and centered on patients. Four themes run through the MB BS core curriculum, which are covered in a series of "system" blocks across the five years. The programme is integrated, with a strong problem-based/task-based emphasis, with iterative learning opportunities throughout the five years. The four themes are Applied Life Sciences, Clinical Skills and Reasoning, Health and Society and Professionalism.

In relation to this post the particular aspects of the MB BS curriculum that will be of interest are within the Health and Society Theme. You will be expected to contribute to a coherent and innovative provision of teaching relevant mental health and global health and help ensure that these aspects of the curriculum are clearly identified and recognized by students.

**Hull York Medical School Postgraduate Programmes**

We offer a range postgraduate taught programmes of which the most relevant to this post is the MSc in Physician Associate Studies. The Physician Associate (PA) is a new healthcare professional who, while not a doctor, works to the medical model, with the attitudes, skills and knowledge base to deliver holistic care and treatment as part of the medical team in hospital, general practice and community settings under defined levels of supervision. In developing this MSc, we aim to support the NHS workforce in the region and help meet the challenges of a modern day health service.

**Research at the Hull York Medical School**

Since its inception, the Medical School has sought to recruit the best teachers and researchers. Increasingly, we provide a focus for internationally competitive high quality biomedical and health services researchers working in collaboration with the Universities of Hull and York and the NHS in North and East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire. Activity is targeted on specific important clinically relevant areas reflecting health and biomedical priorities, and existing strengths in the collaborative partners, to enhance opportunities for translational medicine and so impact on patient care and population health.

The present post is part of one of the Hull York Medical School’s academic centres - the Centre for Health and Population Sciences (CHAAPS) and will be based in the University of York Department of Health Sciences in the Mental Health and Addiction Group (MHARG). Working within CHAAPS/Health Sciences they will have the support of a first class interdisciplinary research environment.
The Department of Health Sciences

The Department is located in modern, purpose-built accommodation on the University’s Heslington West Campus and includes 310 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.

Our 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. We are committed to having our teaching underpinned by our internationally renowned research. The University has an institutional research strategy www.york.ac.uk/research/ to which the Department contributes by developing strong and well-resourced research groups.

Our 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 and groups: 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). In addition, we have an expanding portfolio of global health research, including recent NIHR global health awards to Professor Kamran Siddiqi and Professor Simon Gilbody/Dr Najma Siddiqi to establish new multidisciplinary research groups in South Asia to address tobacco control and mental and physical multi-morbidity, respectively.

We have strong research and teaching links with the Hull York Medical School, supported through a number of Medical School posts embedded our Department. We also have strong links with other centres and departments at York, including the Centre for Health Economics (CHE) and the Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD), as well as other leading UK and international centres of applied health research.

Our research focus is supported by access to and innovative use of population data (including Department-led patient-based data systems), in addition to intervention studies conducted by the Department’s trials unit (York Trials Unit) and expertise in secondary data analysis, systematic reviewing and qualitative research. Academic disciplines represented in the Department include public health, epidemiology, biostatistics, health economics, social policy, sociology and applied psychology. Our multi-disciplinary staff group also includes clinical academics involved in nursing, public health, primary care and mental health.

In addition, we have close partnerships with health and social care agencies and local and national government organisations, in addition to various third sector organisations and international agencies, such as the World Health Organisation (WHO).

The Department has a strong culture of delivering research impact and in undertaking research that makes a difference. A key object of our 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, measure and address health inequalities and gain insight into how the social and economic context mediates the experience of health and the provision of health care.

We are also interested in developing more speculative and theoretically-informed work critically evaluating the underlying assumptions of policy and practice. To achieve these impacts, we work closely with practitioners, policy makers and other researchers to share knowledge and disseminate our findings. We are equally committed to public and civil engagement and in sustaining our partnerships with third sector organisations and non-Government organisations.

In 2016/2017 the Department’s research related income was over £7.3 million, with over 120 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), European Union, Cancer Research UK, Diabetes UK, Wellcome and Bloodwise.

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).

74% 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.

Finally, the department was ranked equal first nationally for its research environment and all aspects of our research environment was judged to producing research of world-leading quality in terms of vitality and sustainability.

Integral to our mission is career support, including doctoral studentships and fellowships, as well as the supportive
management of those reaching the end of their research contracts.

We have over 700 enrolled students on our pre-registration nursing and midwifery programmes and Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programmes, enjoying the highest standards of professional and academic training in a lively and stimulating environment. We have excellent relationships with our partner organisations in the NHS, not for profit and private healthcare sectors. As a department, we have a high degree of awareness of the changes and challenges which are currently taking place within professional healthcare education.

We currently have over 200 postgraduate students based in our Graduate School which provides a vibrant, multidisciplinary learning environment. We offer a diverse range of full- and part-time taught and research-based postgraduate degrees designed for those wishing to develop and follow a career in public health, health services research and other health-related areas. Our programmes have been designed around the particular strengths and experience of the academics within the Graduate School and reflect the latest thinking in health and healthcare. It is possible to study course modules independently of a full programme.

The Master of Public Health, runs in association with the Hull York Medical School and is suitable for students from a wide variety of disciplines who wish to pursue careers as public health practitioners or work in governmental or non-governmental organisations, both in the UK and overseas. The Department also offers an MSc in Applied Health Research which is particularly relevant for science and social science graduates interested in a career in health services research and health professionals who wish to develop their research skills, and an online MSc in International Humanitarian Affairs. Students from all these programmes go on to complete PhD studies.

Our PhD students are embedded in one of our research groups and have the flexibility to tailor their studies to pursue their own research interests, and a bespoke training programme is designed in conjunction with the supervisory team to support the development of essential subject-specific and transferable skills for their future careers.

For more details about the Department of Health Sciences and our teaching and research activities please visit our website: http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/

Public Health and Society Research Group

The Public Health and Society team, led by Professor Kate Pickett, investigates the social patterning of health, by socioeconomic position, ethnicity and gender as well as age. We focus on the social and healthcare factors which play a role in inequalities in health, and draw out the implications for improving policy and practice and conduct research with childbearing women and their babies, their families and carers. Our research includes studies of how ethnicity and culture mediate the experience of health care, how neighbourhood contexts and socioeconomic disadvantage influence health.

Interdisciplinary Global Development Centre (IGDC)

The IGDC (https://www.york.ac.uk/igdc/about-us/) is a major new interdisciplinary centre for research, teaching and partnership for global development based at the University of York. Led by the Departments of Politics, Environment and History, the IGDC works across and beyond the University to collaborate with partners worldwide to create new interdisciplinary and innovative approaches to tackle global challenges. The IGDC conducts interdisciplinary research that will feed into policymaking at all levels - international, regional, national and local – and promote the needs of the most vulnerable groups in society. The IGDC supports citizenship for global development through its teaching programmes and student placements and through a commitment to research for the benefit of communities and disadvantaged social groups.
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 are ranked 16th in the Times & Sunday Times league table (2017). 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.
THE UNIVERSITY

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 is committed to promoting a diverse and inclusive community - a place where we can all be ourselves and succeed on merit. We offer a range of family friendly, inclusive employment policies, flexible working arrangements, staff engagement forums, campus facilities and services to support staff from different backgrounds.

For further information please visit our employee benefit pages.
THE CITY AND THE REGION

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 6925
- Complete the online application form

You will need to submit your completed application by midnight (local UK time) on 3 October 2018.

What will I need?
You will need to upload:
- your CV
- a letter describing how you meet the requirements of the job
You will also need details of 4 referees.

Help and assistance
Direct any informal queries to Professor Una Macleod, Dean, Hull York Medical School,
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or Professor Kamran Siddiqi Hull York Medical School and Department of Health Sciences
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