**Job Description: Research Assistant**

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| **Faculty:** | ***Research Assistant: Psychology of healthy and sustainable eating behaviours*** |
| **Department/Subject:** | ***Psychology*** |
| **Salary:** | *Grade 7: £34,132 to £38,249 per annum* |
| **Hours of work:** | ***0.6 FTE*** |
| **Number of positions:** | ***1*** |
| **Contract:** | **Fixed term position for 6 months** |
| **Location:** | **This position will be based at the Singleton Campus** |

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| **Main Duties** | 1. Lead on the execution of the consumer psychology research studies for the project – including ethical approvals, participant recruitment and data analysis. 2. Contribute to networking, knowledge exchange and dissemination with potential stakeholders. 3. Prepare reports, and papers describing the results of the research, both confidentially and for publication. |
|  | 1. Pro-actively contribute to and conduct research, including gather, prepare and analyse data, generate original ideas and present results. 2. Be self-motivated, apply and use their initiative, aiming to determine suitable ways to tackle challenges and seeking guidance when needed. 3. Interact positively and professionally with other collaborators and partners within the Faculty and elsewhere in the University and beyond as appropriate such as in industry/commerce, and academia. 4. Keep informed of developments in the field in technical, specific and general terms and their wider implication for the discipline area, commercial applications and the knowledge economy. 5. Demonstrate and evidence own professional development, identifying development needs with reference to the Vitae Researcher Development Framework, particularly with regard to probation, PDR and participation in training events. 6. Maintain and enhance links with the professional institutions and other related bodies. 7. Observe best-practice protocols in maintenance and retention of research records as indicated by HEI and Research Councils records management guidance.  This includes ensuring project log-book records are deposited with the University/Principal Investigator on completion of the work. |
| **General Duties** | 1. To promote equality and diversity in working practices and maintain positive working relationships. 2. To conduct the job role and all activities in accordance with safety, health and sustainability policies and management systems, in order to reduce risks and impacts arising from the work activity. 3. To ensure that risk management is an integral part of any decision making process, by ensuring compliance with the University’s Risk Management Policy. 4. Any other duties as agreed by the Faculty / Directorate / Service Area. |
| **Person Specification** | **Essential criteria:**   1. A PhD in Psychology or equivalent (or recent/ imminent submission) 2. A demonstrable ability to conduct research in line with the objectives of the project 3. A demonstrable ability to work within a research team in line with the objectives of the project. 4. Evidence of the ability to actively engage in and contribute to writing and publishing research papers, particularly for refereed journals. 5. Evidence of planning skills to contribute to the research project. 6. A commitment to continuous professional development   **Desirable Criteria**   1. Experience using BIOPAC equipment for Psychological research (e.g., facial electromyography). 2. Experience of conducting in person data collection both quantitative and qualitative. |
| **Welsh Language Level** | Level 1 – ‘a little’ - pronounce Welsh words. Able to answer the phone in Welsh (good morning / afternoon). Able to use very basic every-day words and phrases (thank you, please etc.). Level 1 can be reached by completing a one-hour training course.  For more information about the Welsh Language Levels please refer to the Welsh Language Skills Assessment web page, which is available [here](https://www.swansea.ac.uk/welsh-language-standards/compliance/recruitment/). |
| **Additional Information** | Informal enquiries:  Laura Wilkinson – L.L.Wilkinson@swansea.ac.uk |

  