

Job Description

Taught Programmes Apprenticeship Coordinator

Salary: Grade 5

Contract: Full time, ongoing **Location:** Medway Campus

Responsible to: Programmes & Administration Manager

Responsible for: Activities: All activities related to the End Point assessment of taught apprenticeship

programme administration; supervises other taught apprenticeship programmes staff

Job family: Administrative, professional and managerial

Job purpose

As a member of the Programmes Administration team, the Taught Programmes Apprenticeship Coordinator provides comprehensive administrative support in the areas of Apprenticeship End Point Assessment (EPA) student administration to a large number and wide variety of undergraduate and postgraduate taught apprenticeship programmes within GLL (including HDAs in all Divisions). The post holder ensures the smooth running of all related elements of the EPA taught apprenticeship programme procedures across GLL and the University of Kent to support an excellent student experience and help the Divisions deliver their strategies.

They will work closely with staff across GLL and the wider University, including divisional Directors of Education & UG Student Experience and academic colleagues, and the wider Programmes Administration team and a variety of central colleagues including the Admissions team.

Reporting to the Programmes & Administration Manager, the role holder will supervise the workflow for staff administering the End Point Assessment for apprenticeship taught programmes within GLL and the wider University.

Key accountabilities

- Provide highly effective administrative support to the Programmes & Administration Manager in close liaison with other supervisory staff within an education-related portfolio, ensuring operational efficiency and compliance with University and the Educational Skills Funding Agency regulations.
- Take a proactive role in developing and enhancing the administrative processes within GLL in line with changes to systems, ways of working and codes of practices
- Co-ordinate and supervise all elements to the End Point Assessment, liaising with internal and external examiners concerning more complex matters to ensure they have the required information to carry out their duties and that work, and mark changes are received in time for key deadlines.

- Ensure student records, programmes databases and student data systems are accurate and up to date in line with University policy and GDPR regulations. This includes the provision of standard reports and analysis from such systems in order to support decision-making.
- Support relevant committees, taking and circulating minutes, preparing agendas and supporting documents and proactively following up on action points.
- Manage all taught programme enquiries, guiding the Taught Programme Administrator(s) and Assistant(s) in providing information and assistance to staff and students of GLL, as well as handling internal and external enquiries in relation to the End Point Assessment. Ensuring the delivery of a high level of customer service by dealing with enquiries promptly and professionally.
- Work flexibly across the team to provide support where needed, particularly during busy periods and undertaking a range of administrative duties to promote a positive student experience within GLL in support of the overall strategy.
- Co-ordinate the administration associated with all End Point Assessment organisations both internally and externally.
- Undertake a range of duties related to the ongoing supervision of team members ensuring that each team member is motivated and supported. This includes providing guidance and support through informal (on the job) training/coaching to maintain operational effectiveness.

Key challenges and decisions

The following provide an overview of the most challenging or complex parts of the role and the degree of autonomy that exists.

- This is a student-focused role and the role holder can expect to have a large amount of direct contact with students (which may include matters of confidentiality).
- The role holder will need to have a good knowledge and understanding of procedures and policies relevant to the role to be able to respond to a wide range of enquiries, whilst recognising when it is more suitable to refer to someone else for specialist advice. Able to recognise the need to update and modify current school processes and procedures to ensure they are in line with current University procedures.
- The role holder must be able to work with minimal day-to-day supervision. They need to use own initiative, planning their own workload deciding what is a priority.
- Post holder has supervisory responsibilities, but not line management.
- Managing multiple requests for information or dealing with several customers politely and professionally. Able to manage multiple interruptions to their work. Comfortable chasing information that is required.
- Ensure strict confidentiality with student data, adhering to University guidelines and Data Protection legislation. Able to interpret data and produce reports of findings. Able to present these findings as required.

Facts & figures

Programmes administration within GLL will support all taught and research students with regards to the administration of their apprenticeship programme, support academic staff to facilitate teaching, support

the processes underpinning the End Point Assessment to ensure a seamless student experience. Staff within the area work closely with other areas of the University, in providing a student focused service that is responsive to a changing HE environment.

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Supervisory responsibility for between 1 and 8 staff.

Internal & external relationships

Internal: Students and staff within the Division; student related administrative staff within the other

divisions; staff within various central professional services areas across the University.

External: End Point Assessment Organisations, Visitors to GLL, external supervisors and examiners,

Employers and line managers

Health, safety & wellbeing considerations

This job involves undertaking duties which include the following health, safety and wellbeing considerations:

- Regular use of Screen Display Equipment
- Repetitive limb movements
- Conflict resolution
- Pressure to meet important deadlines
- Ability to occasionally travel in a timely and efficient manner between campuses

Person specification

The person specification details the necessary skills, qualifications, experience or other attributes needed to carry out the job. Applications will be measured against the criteria published below.

Selection panels will be looking for clear evidence and examples in an application, or cover letter (where applicable), which back-up any assertions made in relation to each criterion.

Essential Criteria:

- Educated to GCSE in English & Maths (Grade C/4 or above) or equivalent (A)
- Educated to A Level or equivalent (A)
- Experience of working in HE administration including knowledge of timetabling in an education context and of taught programme processes and procedures (A, I)
- Good IT skills, particularly Microsoft Office packages (intermediate level) (A,T)
- Experience of using spreadsheets and databases on a regular basis (A,T)
- Excellent oral and written communication skills including the ability to communicate clearly and accurately with a wide range of people (internal and external) (A, I)
- Excellent interpersonal skills including a helpful and responsive manner with the ability to remain calm when under pressure (I)
- Excellent customer service skills with the ability to deal pleasantly, confidently and effectively with customers and colleagues (I)

- Experience of using and managing data in line with GDPR and handling sensitive matters with discretion (I)
- Excellent attention to detail and high degree of accuracy (A,T)
- Experience of taking minutes and coordinating/supporting formal meetings (logistics, agendas, minutes, etc) (A, I, T)
- Numerate with an ability to process statistical information, evaluate data and produce reports (A, I,
 T)
- Experience of and ability to manage own workload, prioritising tasks as appropriate to meet changing demands and deadlines (A, I)
- Ability to work under pressure (I)
- Ability to work both independently and in cooperation with others to meet deadlines (I)
- Experience of using initiative to problem solve or improve process efficiency (A, I)
- Experience of team supervision (A, I)
- Firm commitment to achieving the University's vision and values, with a passion for a transformative student experience and multidisciplinary, impactful research (I)
- Commitment to deliver and promote equality, diversity and inclusivity in the day to day work of the role (I)

Desirable Criteria:

- CLAIT/ECDL or equivalent IT qualification (A)
- Experience of working with confidential information (A, I)
- Experience of working flexibly, responding positively to changing priorities (A, I)
- Knowledge of student data systems (SDS & Cressida) or similar/equivalent (A, I)

Assessment stage: A - Application; I - Interview; T - Test/presentation at interview stage