



# Assistant Professor (Teaching & Research) in History & Data Science

## POSITION OVERVIEW

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| <b>Department</b> | History Faculty   |
| <b>Location</b>   | London  |
| <b>Term</b>       | 1-year potentially renewable as permanent   |
| <b>Salary</b>     | £36,000 - £41,000 pro rata (0.8 FTE)  |
| <b>Benefits</b>   | Generous benefits package including 25 days holiday allowance (excl. Bank holidays), group life assurance, group income protection, pension schemes and private healthcare (optional) |
| <b>Start</b>      | No later than August 1st 2021   |

## The role

The New College of Humanities at Northeastern wishes to appoint an Assistant Professor (Teaching & Research, 0.8FTE) in History & Data Science. The appointee(s) will be flexible, able, and willing to be wide-ranging in their teaching and in their professional development.

We wish to appoint a specialist in the application and applicability of data science methods to history as taught and researched at university level. The appointee(s) will be able to work closely with colleagues from a wide range of disciplines - including the wider human sciences - and be able to provide them with advice and support in developing the use of data science methods. Preference will be given to applicants with an ethically informed approach to data science methods and information collaboration. Preference may be given to candidates with active interests in the relationship of historical study to one or more of the following areas: software and/or technology; employment contexts; diversity and inclusion. While preference

may be given to candidates with established interests in global and/or postcolonial approaches to history, we are open to appointing an outstanding candidate with another specialism who is willing and able to undertake informed teaching in these areas.

Core duties will include teaching in-bound mobility students from the Northeastern Network. The appointee(s) will be expected to contribute at an appropriate level to coordination, leadership, and other aspects of service within NCH at Northeastern from the outset. They will undertake a programme of outstanding research and publication in History & Data Science, with a particular emphasis on collaborative projects involving researchers across a range of disciplines, the pursuit of significant external funding, and world-leading impact for the wider good of society. The appointee(s) will work with colleagues across other disciplines to develop new courses and programmes.

We particularly encourage applications from those with an interest in innovative teaching, learning and assessment; those with experience of supporting a wide variety of students; and those belonging to groups underrepresented in UK higher education. We are open to appointing on a further reduced fraction/job-share basis subject to our business needs.

### About the College

Founded in 2012, with the aim of providing the highest quality of education in the humanities and social sciences, New College of the Humanities at Northeastern has established itself as a prestigious higher education institution based in the heart of London. We offer a unique and broad liberal arts-inspired curriculum with highly personalised teaching, which may include tutorials. The College is undergoing an exciting period of growth, having become part of Northeastern University's global network in early 2019.

### Enquiries

Informal enquiries may be made to Dr Lars Kjaer, Head of Faculty of History (lars.kjaer@nchlondon.ac.uk). However, all applications must be made in accordance with the application process specified.

### Application Process

Applications should be made via [this link](#) by 20:00, **28 June 2021**. Please reference your application "HI0521". Participation in the equal opportunities section is encouraged, but voluntary.

Please ensure that you use the application form provided on the link, and provide a CV and a cover letter of up to 2 A4 pages (12 font). Your application should highlight a research publication (or extract of publication) of up to 8000 words to which consideration may be given in the assessment process. The publication should be no earlier than 2015. You should ensure that the published material is easily available to assessors, either by including it or by providing an open access link. Applications without the full information required will not be considered.

Participation in the equal opportunities section is encouraged, but voluntary. Candidates who would prefer a further reduced fraction of appointment should indicate this clearly in their cover letter.

Applications are welcome from all sections of the community and will be judged on merit alone. We welcome applications from underrepresented groups. Candidates must be able to demonstrate their eligibility to work in the UK in accordance with the Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006. We are not able to provide Tier 2 Sponsorship for this role.

## **Person Specification Criteria**

### **Qualifications**

- Doctorate or professional experience equivalent in a specialism relevant to History & Data Science

### **Key Criteria**

- Demonstrates, through evidence, excellent ability so as to be adaptable, innovative, and inclusive in the role as advertised with regards to teaching, research, and service
- Demonstrates, through evidence of publication, outstanding research in the view of the appointing panel
- Willingness and ability to undertake world-leading collaborative, impact-focused projects, and large external research bids, involving colleagues across a range of disciplines as well as external partners.
- Flexibility and capacity to teach across a wide range of courses, where appropriate in collaboration with specialists from other disciplines including Computer Science

- Ability to develop excellent educational provision in areas with significant appeal to students, including at postgraduate level
- Willingness and capacity to undertake continuous professional development in relation to the use of technology, software, and data in relation to history and the human sciences, and to teach on these matters
- Ability to engage and develop working relationships with external partners and with colleagues across diverse disciplines in NCH at Northeastern and across the NU Network
- Willingness and capacity to exercise appropriate leadership in the development and consideration of data science methods in the human sciences, and to do so through collaboration with a range of disciplines