



# Assistant Professor (Teaching & Scholarship) in Communications (Public Speaking)

## POSITION OVERVIEW

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| <b>Department</b> | English  |
| <b>Location</b>   | London, Devon House (St Katherines Dock)   |
| <b>Term</b>       | Full-time; Fixed-term (6 months)   |
| <b>Hours</b>      | Monday to Friday (38 hours per week)   |
| <b>Salary</b>     | £38,000-£41,000 per annum  |
| <b>Benefits</b>   | Generous benefits package including 25 days holiday allowance pro rata (excl. Bank holidays), group life assurance, group income protection, pension schemes and private healthcare (optional) |
| <b>Start</b>      | 1 November 2022 (6 months)   |

## The role

The New College of Humanities at Northeastern wishes to appoint an Assistant Professor in Communications. The appointee will take on teaching and assessment duties on a first-year course in Public Speaking and contribute more widely to the academic life of a growing Faculty.

We wish to appoint a specialist in Communications Studies and/or Public Speaking, whose interests and teaching experience are wide-ranging and interdisciplinary. Preference may be given to candidates with active interests in the relationship of Communications Studies to one or more of the following areas: narrative; software and/or technology; employment contexts; diversity and inclusion.

Core duties will include:

- Teaching the course Public Speaking to visiting students on mobility programmes. The

course's main aim is 'to equip students for speaking up in society and making their position effectively heard', and has an emphasis on rhetoric.

- Contributing to course development as needed (this is the first time we will be running this course at NCH).
- Marking, moderating, and examining assessments.
- Contributing to the academic culture of the English Faculty.

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 reduced fraction/job-share basis subject to our business needs.

### **Department**

The English Faculty at NCH is a growing Faculty. We deliver courses to major and minor students on the NCH 3-year degree programmes. At the same time we deliver a wide range of courses on mobility programmes to visiting students, including interdisciplinary courses, languages and linguistics, and Communications Studies courses.

### **About the College**

Founded in 2012, New College of the Humanities has established itself as a prestigious higher education institution based in the heart of London. After becoming part of Northeastern University's global network in early 2019, the College has undergone a period of rapid growth, having been granted Taught Degree Awarding Powers in February 2020 and moved to a new, state-of-the-art campus in 2021. NCH continues to grow further expanding its student cohort, courses, network and opportunities.

### **Additional Information**

#### **Enquiries**

Informal enquiries may be made to Interim Head of the Faculty of English, Dr Peter Maber, peter.maber@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 on 26 June 2022. Please reference your application "COM522".

Please ensure that your application includes a CV and **dossier** (alternatively, an equivalent cover letter) that sets out concisely and in ways relevant to this role: (a) your achievements and challenges in the last 12-months, and in your career to-date, in education; (b) what your priorities would be in performing the advertised role; (c) what your objectives are for your future career; (d) a statement of your approach to education. You may use bullet points if you wish. You can consult our academic job description **[here](#)**.

Participation in the equal opportunities section is encouraged, but voluntary. 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. The College can potentially provide sponsorship for this role.

## **Person Specification Criteria**

### **Qualifications**

- PhD completed, or near completion (all but dissertation), or equivalent professional experience, in a relevant area.

### **Key Criteria**

- Demonstrates, through evidence, excellent ability as to be adaptable, innovative, and inclusive in the role as advertised with regards to teaching and service
- Flexibility and capacity to teach to students from a wide range of backgrounds
- Ability to develop excellent educational provision in areas with significant appeal to students
- Willingness and capacity to undertake continuous professional development in relation to the use of technology, software, and data in relation to Communications Studies/ Public Speaking, and to teach on these matters