



# Head of Faculty for Law

## POSITION OVERVIEW

<b>Department</b>	Law
<b>Location</b>	London, Devon House (St Katherines Dock)
<b>Term</b>	Full-time; Permanent
<b>Salary</b>	We offer a competitive salary that is commensurate with the level of appointment and associated responsibilities.
<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>	Flexible / ASAP

## The role

The New College of Humanities at Northeastern wishes to appoint a Head of Faculty for Law from 1st July 2022, or a date otherwise agreed. The position involves leadership, teaching, research, management responsibilities, oversight of the admission process, and the development of the Law curriculum.

The Head of Faculty is responsible for organising the teaching, overseeing the delivery of the academic programme by faculty members, and providing leadership and initiative in developing the Law faculty. Heads of Faculty participate in decision-making processes regarding curricula, budgets, departmental and other matters. The Head of the Law Faculty will be expected to be involved in developing courses and programs in cooperation with colleagues across Northeastern's global university network.

The Head of Faculty will be required to contribute to teaching for law degrees through lectures, seminars, and tutorials, and to administer and mark examinations, essays and other assignments for modules/courses taught by them. The teaching hours per year are up to 150 contact hours.

The person appointed is expected to engage in research and contribute to scholarship in their field of legal expertise and along with the Associate Dean of Research to support relevant faculty

members in the development of their research. The position includes access to a research grant and eligibility for a semester's research leave every four years.

Candidates are expected to have extensive professional experience in law and legal education, demonstrated by a substantial academic record of research, publications, and teaching. A PhD or equivalent qualification is normally required. In addition, candidates should have the ability and willingness to contribute to the intellectual and scholarly life of the faculty and of the College more generally. Preference may be given to candidates with active interests in the relationship of law to one or more of the following areas: software and/or technology; employment contexts; diversity and inclusion.

We particularly encourage applications from those with an interest in innovative teaching, and research; 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.

**NCH is going through a significant period of planned expansion and development. The Head of Faculty for Law will be instrumental in determining and implementing these developments and applicants will need to demonstrate that they have the capabilities to lead their faculty team in the successful implementation of these plans.**

### **The Law Faculty**

The Law Faculty currently has around 100 degree students. Some study for a law degree only, some for joint degrees. The Law Faculty also provides Criminology courses for students from across Northeastern's global university network and envisages increasing integrations between these student cohorts and expansion in its programmes and courses in future years.

### **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 through inclusive recruitment strategies and adaptable, innovative, inclusive approaches to curriculum development and teaching.

The career opportunities in being part of Northeastern University's global network are exceptional. Inter and intra disciplinary working and sharing of best practice in teaching and research across the network are important to the learning experience for both students and staff.

## **Additional Information**

### **Enquiries**

Informal enquiries may be made to Jacqueline Shorrocks ([jacqueline.shorrocks@nchlondon.ac.uk](mailto:jacqueline.shorrocks@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 30 June 2022. Please reference your application "LAH522".

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) what your priorities would be in performing the advertised role; (b) what your objectives are for your future career; (c) 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.

## **Person Specification Criteria**

### **Qualifications**

- PhD in Law

### **Key Criteria**

- Demonstrates capacity for leadership in managing the Law Faculty, in the development of Law courses, research projects and in contributing to the overall leadership of the academic team.
- Demonstrates ability to collaborate with a range of disciplines and work as part of an innovative team.

- Demonstrates research excellence through a record of publications or expertise in the field through their professional practice and teaching
- Demonstrates, through evidence, excellent ability so as to be adaptable, innovative, and inclusive in the role as advertised.
- 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 multiple courses, where appropriate in collaboration with specialists from other disciplines.
- 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 Law and apply to your teaching.
- 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.
- Ability to work with senior management to advise and inform on matters specific to the faculty but also across disciplines in response to Higher Education Sector initiatives and expectations.