



Lecturer in Games Design (Programming)

Job Description

Faculty / Department:	Professional & Creative		
Responsible to:	Head of Learning		
Responsible for:	N/A		
Grade:	Salary range: £30,427 - £42,136 per annum (SCP 16 – 28, Grade 3 – 4)		Hours: Full-Time, 37 hours per week, Permanent (1.0 FTE)

Role Summary:

The successful applicant will join a team that plans, implements, and delivers Digital programmes to a range of learners on Digital and Computing courses. This will be across the provision at Levels 1 to 3 including T-Level.

Main Duties and Responsibilities:

Work Processes and results

- To coordinate, design, deliver and develop a programme(s) of study up to Level 3 and T-Level for groups of learners.
- To work with the Head of Learning and other Lecturers in developing best practice in learning, teaching and assessment, ensuring standardisation and continuity.
- To assess learners according to established guidelines, and provide a positive learning experience.
- To develop full time programmes.
- To design, develop, monitor and share resources for learner use.
- To act as personal tutor to a group(s) of learners supporting their Individual Learning Plans and co-ordinate tutorial support liaising with subject tutors and wider college provision.
- To participate in parent evenings, open events, enrolment and interviewing applicants.
- To keep up to date with curriculum initiatives, development of standards and general developmental and professional issues relating to the delivery of learning. Including proactive engagement with the College's CPD programme.
- To contribute to the internal and external quality assurance procedures in line with Awarding Body and college requirements.
- To implement quality procedures, contributing to thorough, evaluative programme reviews which feed into the self-assessment process.
- To complete documentation, appropriate records of learner performance and attendance and administration associated with the role and responsibilities.

- To attend and contribute to relevant meetings within the School and the college.
- To maintain appropriate standards of learner behaviour and attendance in accordance with college policies.
- To work flexibly as directed by the line manager.
- To implement the college's mathematics and English code.

Team Work

- To work closely with the other Departments, as well as with partner agencies.

Communication / Documentation

- Communicate effectively across a wide range of audiences.

Supervision / Staffing.

- To identify the financial, health and safety, equality, confidentiality or other risks associated with the post's sphere of responsibility and to define and take positive action to manage these risks.

Personal Development / Performance

- Demonstrate a commitment to continuing Personal/Professional Development.
- Ability to observe and define priorities and timetables in the achievement of strategic and operational objectives.
- Adhere to the College's environmental and sustainability procedures and seek to promote environmental sustainability within own area of responsibility.

Equality, Diversity, Health and Safety and Strategy

- A strong commitment to the principles and practice of equality and diversity
- Take reasonable care of the Health and Safety of yourself and that of any other person who may be affected by your acts or omissions at work.
- Ensure as far as is necessary, that Statutory Requirements, Codes of Practice, Policies and Procedures, and Health and Safety arrangements are complied with.

College Values

- To demonstrate and uphold the College's values.
- To promote and embed these values in all elements of work and in interactions with colleagues, learners, visitors and others.
- To participate in making the College and inclusive environment in which to learn and work.

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

- To comply with the College's Safeguarding policy and practices, and work in accordance with the Keeping Children Safe in Education Statutory Guidance for Schools and Colleges. To attend relevant and associated training, as required.

General Data Protection Regulation and Data Protection Act 2018

- To understand, be aware of, and ensure full compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation, and Data Protection Act 2018, during and after employment with the College, and to comply with the College's Policy for such.

This is not intended as an exhaustive list of duties or a restrictive definition of the post but rather, should be read as a guide to the main priorities and typical areas of activity of the postholder.

These activities are subject to amendment over time as priorities and requirements evolve and as such it may be amended at any time by the line manager following discussion with the postholder.

This Job Description and Person Specification is accurate as at July 2025. In consultation with the postholder, the College reserves the right to update, amend or vary its content, to reflect changes to, or modernisation of, the role.

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Measured by:	
A	Application
I	Interview
T	Test
P	Presentation
R	References
Po	Portfolio

Criteria Headings	Essential	Evidenced by	Desirable	Evidenced by
Qualifications/ Education/ Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualified teacher e.g. Cert Ed, PGCE or DTLLS or CET, or a firm commitment to obtain the required teaching qualification. 	A, I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2:1 Grade in games development (Programming-oriented) or Computer science related degree. 	A, I
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant level 6 or 7 qualification within relevant vocational sector games development or computer science related degree, 	A, I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of 4 GCSEs (A* - C, 9 – 4 or equivalent), including Maths and English. 	A, I		
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant vocational experience within the games development or software development sector. 	A, I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of Pearson T-Level Software Design and Development course. 	A, I
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recent and relevant experience of delivering learning to 16-18 year olds in an educational setting. 	A, I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recent experience of delivering 16-18 programmes. 	A, I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of providing learning to groups and individuals. 	A, I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence that you are able to apply effective approaches to 	A, I		

	teaching to more than one level and target audience.			
Skills/ Aptitudes/ Competences/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive knowledge of principles of computing and internet of things. 	A, I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of User Interface and User Experience Design. 	A, I
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate extensive range of knowledge, understanding and application of curriculum development, innovation and delivery strategies in the post-16 sector. 	A, I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of implementing hardware training, including diagnostics, troubleshooting and repair of devices; Laptops etc. 	A, I
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound knowledge of developments within the IT/Computing sector. 	I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical skills in Network installation, cabling and network administration. 	A, I
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. 	I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authoring and programming with ability in Python coding. 	A, I
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate suitability to work with children and vulnerable adults including knowledge/ understanding of safeguarding and Prevent. 	A, I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of current relevant initiatives within FE, resource management and the vocational area of responsibility. 	I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An understanding of safeguarding and its importance within the college. 	I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to plan and prioritise. 	I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective time management skills. 	A, I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent administrative and organisational skills. 	I		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to work flexibly as part of a team. 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of understanding of differences between assessment and 	A, I		

	evaluation.			
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate a positive approach to equality and diversity and customer service. • Demonstrate an ability to take responsibility for your own and others Health and Safety at work. • Demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding and promoting student welfare. • Flexible and professional approach. • Ability to work as part of a team to achieve common objectives. • Demonstrate that you take responsibility, and ownership e.g. meeting deadlines, sharing practice, following organisational policies and procedures. 	 I I I I I I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some understanding of e-sports, e-cultures and live broadcast technologies. • Ability to set up technical environments for VR equipment. 	 A, I A, I



TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR ACADEMIC STAFF

Conditions of Appointment

All offers of employment are subject to a Probationary period of up to twelve months, during which time performance will be assessed. In addition, all appointments are subject to:

- *A satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).*
- *A satisfactory Children's Barred List check;*
- *A satisfactory overseas criminal record check (if applicable);*
- *Verification that candidate is legally eligible and permitted to work in the United Kingdom;*
- *Verification of all relevant and required essential qualifications for the relevant post, by original certificate;*
- *Receipt of two references considered suitable by the College;*
- *Successful completion of all elements of the Company and College Induction during the Probationary period, including training modules in Safeguarding, WRAP, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, GDPR and Health and Safety.*

Pension Arrangements

All eligible Academic Staff will be automatically enrolled into the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) which provides comprehensive retirement benefits. It may be possible to transfer benefits from a previous company or private pension plan into the scheme.

Working Hours

The standard full-time working week for all staff is 37 hours.

Maternity, Paternity & Adoption

The College has a suite of Family Friendly policies, including Maternity, Paternity and Adoption schemes, many of which provide benefits over and above statutory benefits.

Sick Pay

The College has a scheme of enhanced sickness benefits.

Training and Development

Stoke on Trent College was one of the first Colleges in the country to achieve the Investors In People Award. We remain committed to the professional and personal development of all our employees. Individual Training and Development plans are formulated via the Staff Check-In process.

Holidays

Full time Academic Staff are entitled to 39 days' annual leave per year as well as 5 days' additional leave to be taken on days directed by the Corporation (e.g. during the shutdown between Christmas and New Year). All staff are entitled to the 8 public bank holidays each year. There are a number of directed leave days each academic year and these are set out in the College Calendar. Typically, these directed leave days will be during Christmas, Easter and in the summer period where the College will close its sites in the interests of efficiency.

Staff Parking

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Free and ample parking space is available on both sites, subject to availability at peak times.

Trade Union Representation

The College acknowledges and accepts the importance of consultation and partnership with employee representatives. Accordingly, it recognises UCU for all employee consultation issues affecting Academic Staff.

Salary Payments

Salary is paid by direct credit transfer to your bank or building society account in 12 equal instalments. Payment is made on the 27th day of each month or the previous working day if the 27th falls on a weekend or bank holiday day.

Salary Progression

Salary progression will be in accordance with the criteria approved by the Corporation.

Notice Periods

The amount of notice you are required to give and entitled to receive is 3 months. In the event of redundancy, the notice period that Academic staff are entitled to receive is 4 months. Fixed term employees will serve notice as per their contract of employment. The notice period applicable during a probationary period is 1 month.

Location of Work

Your principal place of work will be at the site given in the contract of employment and job description of the post. However, you may be required to work on either temporary or indefinite basis, at any premises at which the Corporation may from time to time provide services.

Equality of Opportunity

Stoke on Trent College is committed to the principle of equal opportunity. We will ensure that no employee, applicant for employment or student receives less favourable treatment on any grounds, which cannot be justified in relation to employment, education and training.