Funded PhD studentship/Graduate Teaching Assistant (PGTA) position in Physical Geography

The School of Geographical Sciences, University of Bristol, has a Postgraduate Teaching Assistant position in Physical Geography to fill for 2019/20 entry, with an anticipated start date of 01 September 2019. The School is consistently ranked as top in the UK in terms of the quality of research its staff produce, which is deemed "world class". It has a vibrant and expanding Graduate School of some 150+ PhD and MSc students.

The successful applicant will be eligible for 4 years of full funding (stipend + fees) for their PhD. The stipend for their PhD is: £12,560, with a teaching payment of £4,215, and a fees payment of £4,235 for a total of £21,010 p.a. A number of possible PhD projects are available, listed here: http://www.bristol.ac.uk/geography/courses/postgraduate/physphd.html.

During the first four months, the Geography PGTA scholar will focus on starting their PhD and undertaking training and shadowing. Teaching will begin in the January after commencing the PhD. For the next 3 years the Geography PGTA Scholar will spend 85% of their time carrying out research as a PhD student and 15% of their time supporting undergraduate (or exceptionally taught PG) teaching, typically in tutorial, seminar, field or laboratory classes and under the direction of the member of academic staff responsible for the taught unit, including in some instances teaching-related duties such as assessment and examination marking. The final ~8 months of the studentship will be free of teaching to enable completion of writing up. The maximum number of teaching hours per year is 250, in line with University policy. Training and support for teaching will be provided in line with the University’s policy on “Postgraduate Research Students who Teach” and will be appropriately mentored.

The successful candidate will have an excellent track record of academic excellence and research potential in Physical Geography, in addition to evidence of teaching experience or experience potential matched to teaching needs.

For further information, applicants may contact the School’s Postgraduate Director, Prof Dan Lunt (d.j.lunt@bristol.ac.uk).

Applicants can apply directly here: http://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/2019/sci/phd-geographical-sciences/, making it clear which of the possible projects the are interested in (list of possible projects is here: http://www.bristol.ac.uk/geography/courses/postgraduate/physphd.html)