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**Theme leader role description**

**THE RESEARCH LIFECYCLE PROGRAMME**

**UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER**

**Research Lifecycle Programme**

Academic Theme Leads (THREE POSTS)

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Applications are invited for the position of Academic Theme Leads to work on the Research Lifecycle Programme (RLP).

The Academic Theme Leads will each help shape one of the following RLP themes over the next five years of the programme, click to find out more:

* [Open, Reproducible and Responsible Research](https://www.rlp.manchester.ac.uk/home/themes/orr/)
* [Research Computing and Data Platforms](https://www.rlp.manchester.ac.uk/home/themes/research-computing/)
* [Research Funding Lifecycle](https://www.rlp.manchester.ac.uk/home/themes/orr/%20%20https:/www.rlp.manchester.ac.uk/home/themes/research-computing/%20%20https:/www.rlp.manchester.ac.uk/home/themes/funding-lifecycle)

Responsibilities of an Academic Theme Lead:

* Working with colleagues to develop, and advocate for, the academic vision/theme plan.
* Seeking assurance that the theme initiatives are doing the right things in alignment with the University’s strategies.
* To provide an academic voice(s) at the RLP Programme Board, and other appropriate forums, as well as shaping the delivery of the programme.
* To provide an interface with senior academic stakeholders, keeping them engaged and informed.

RLP is looking for a cross section of research experience to provide the required leadership and insights of the various stages of academic careers. Relevant experience, knowledge and enthusiasm are more important than current job title.

As an equal opportunities employer we welcome applicants from all sections of the community regardless of age, sex, gender (or gender identity), ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation and transgender status. All appointments are made on merit.

**Application process**

Applications should consist of a short (maximum two-page) curriculum vitae and a supporting statement (maximum of one-page page) that provides details of:

* The experience that the applicant has in delivering research and providing leadership and support to colleagues.
* The applicant’s ideas about opportunities for theme development and aims.
* How the applicant believes the RLP can add value to and support our diverse body of researchers at all levels.
* Experience relevant to one or more of the specific areas of responsibility described in the Terms of Reference.
* Their approach and ideas in support of improving the environmental sustainability of our research.

**Further information**

Colleagues with an interest in this post may discuss this informally with the RLP Academic Sponsor, Professor Caroline Jay [caroline.jay@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:caroline.jay@manchester.ac.uk)

Appointments will be made on merit.

Applications should be submitted electronically to [rlp@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:rlp@manchester.ac.uk)

The closing date for applications is 23.59 on Monday 10 July.

It is anticipated that interviews will take place later in the month and that successful candidates will join their first RLP board meeting in September.

**For further information please contact** [**rlp@manchester.ac.uk**](mailto:rlp@manchester.ac.uk)