

# Professor/Reader in Medical Statistics/Clinical Trials & Director of Lancashire Clinical Trials Unit

University of Central Lancashire – Faculty of Health & Wellbeing

**REQ003565**

**Hours:** Full Time (1.0 FTE)

**Basis:** Indefinite

**Grade:** Reader – J (£49772 - £57975) / Professor (management contract – competitive salary)

**Interview Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018

An opportunity has arisen for a Professor and Reader of Medical Statistics and/or Clinical Trials based in the Faculty of Health & Wellbeing. The successful candidate will also hold the title of Director of Lancashire Clinical Trials Unit.

**Professor** – A central part of this role is to undertake internationally recognised research, provide academic leadership for the Faculty of Health & Wellbeing's programmatic research focused on statistics and/or clinical trials and to lead the development of a research team and expand research and scientific support activity with colleagues and professional bodies to advance research across the Faculty in keeping with the Faculty Delivery Plan. Essential for this role is experience of research management and administration in a university department or similar educational or research unit, along with experience of research collaboration for example with NHS or other commercial organisations. Utilising excellent communications skills and a thorough understanding of medical statistics and/or clinical trials the successful applicant will have the ability to deal with complex situations including negotiation and influencing skills with a flexible approach which responds to the challenges of change. The successful applicant will have a proven track record of successful supervisory experience of research students at doctoral level, securing research funding from a variety of awarding bodies/sponsors and internationally recognised research outputs.

A PhD (or equivalent) in a specific topic relevant to the post or a Master's Degree in a specific subject relevant to the post (e.g. statistics, operational research, or clinical trials) with extensive experience in applied research in academia or consultancy is essential along with a professional qualification in statistics, operational research, clinical trials or other quantitative methods subject relevant to health and full membership of relevant accredited body or bodies in specialist quantitative discipline.

**Reader-** Undertaking internationally recognised research focusing on statistics and/or clinical trials will be the primary focus of this role as well as supporting the development of a research team and expanding research and scientific support activity with colleagues and professional bodies to advance research across the Faculty in keeping with the Faculty Delivery Plan. The successful candidate will have research experience in a relevant topic and experience of research collaboration for example with NHS or other commercial organisations and course/module leadership at all academic levels and supervision of research students. Evidence of strong publication record; success in obtaining competitive research funding as principal investigator; and making presentations at international conference is an essential requirement as well as the ability to produce competitive research grant applications for significant projects. Utilising excellent verbal communication and

interpersonal skills the successful applicant will contribute to the development of research strategies in the Faculty, lead a team and focus consultancy in these areas. The successful applicant will possess a PhD (or equivalent) in a statistics or another quantitative or methodological research relevant to clinical trials a professional Qualification in Quantitative Methods.

For an informal discussion about this post, please contact Professor Caroline Watkins, Faculty Director of Research and Innovation. Tel: 01772 895542 (PA) Email: [clwatkins@uclan.ac.uk](mailto:clwatkins@uclan.ac.uk)

Applicants need to meet all essential criteria on the person specification to be considered for interview. This position is based in Preston.

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