

**JOB DESCRIPTION**  
**Postdoctoral Research Associate,**  
**Entrepreneurship and Strategy, LUMS**  
**Vacancy Ref: A2449**

<b>Job Title:</b> Postdoctoral Research Associate	<b>Present Grade:</b> 6
<b>Department/College:</b> Entrepreneurship and Strategy, Management School	
<b>Directly responsible to:</b> Professor Duncan Angwin	
<b>Supervisory responsibility for:</b> N/A	
<b>Other contacts</b> <b>Internal:</b> Other staff members within the department of Entrepreneurship and Strategy and colleagues within the Lancaster University Management School (LUMS). <b>External:</b> Decision-makers, SMEs as well as large enterprises, researchers, research and funding bodies	
<b>Major Duties:</b> <p>The post holder will work across several projects all of which will have a focus on contributing to develop a better understanding of Mergers and Acquisitions (M&amp;A) from a strategic, organisational and/or procedural angle. As such, the post holder will be actively involved in ongoing research but will also have the possibility to develop an own research agenda in the field of M&amp;A. As such, active participation in research meetings and discussions is expected. During research projects, the post holder will also regularly exchange with managers and other decision makers in the field of M&amp;A. Additionally, the candidate should be able to conduct qualitative and/or quantitative research projects and manage data collection processes individually.</p> <b>Research</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To take a lead in undertaking research in the areas of Mergers and Acquisitions from a strategic, organizational and/or procedural angle.</li> <li>• Day to day management and delivery of qualitative fieldwork including recruiting cooperation partners, collecting interview, focus group, observational, and archival data, as well as collecting and analyzing quantitative data.</li> <li>• Responsible for coordination of specific research activities. This could include e.g. the organization of conferences or events, research meetings, on-site data collection, etc.</li> <li>• To publish and to work with other academic staff to publish in scholarly journals of international standings.</li> <li>• To attend and present research and represent the interests of the department and Lancaster University at major national and international conferences.</li> <li>• To collaborate on the identification of research funding which leads to research and impact bids.</li> <li>• Establishing and supporting systems for involving relevant members in the research.</li> <li>• Participation in writing research proposals that build on the expertise of the M&amp;A research conducted by departmental members.</li> <li>• To be an active and enthusiastic member of the Department of Entrepreneurship and Strategy and contribute regularly to relevant research seminars and collaborative research activities.</li> </ul> <b>General expectations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The appointee will work flexibly to meet various engagement and research deadlines.</li> <li>• Undertake any other duties as directed by Head of Department or nominated representative.</li> <li>• Supervise dissertation projects in the field of M&amp;A at undergraduate and postgraduate level.</li> <li>• In addition to the specific roles and responsibilities set out in the job description, the post holder will be expected to contribute generally to the intellectual life of the wider Department, Faculty and University.</li> </ul>	