**JOB DESCRIPTION**

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**Directly responsible to:** Professor Phil Barker (Director of LEC)

**Supervisory responsibility for:** Postgraduate students and research associates, potentially also for academic, technical, administrative and other staff

**Major Duties:**
- To carry out research in an area(s) of political ecology which is of the highest quality and has the potential to shape/change the direction of the field.
- To work within and across disciplinary boundaries to tackle major environmental research challenges.
- To generate income and lead a group of researchers.
- To work with national and international partners to develop research of truly global impact.
- To lead in promoting political ecology at Lancaster University (LU) within Europe and internationally.
- To work with the department and the university to encourage and promote the development of cognate colleagues and researchers who are early in their careers.
- To contribute to the planning and delivery of innovative and stimulating teaching.

**Specific duties:**
- Publication of research outputs in high impact journals
- Contributing to/leading major national and international research projects and initiatives; presenting research at national and international conferences; developing the esteem of political ecology at LU
- Designing research projects which lead to outputs, outcomes and impact; developing research impacts and productive activities with external stakeholders
- Contributing to the multi-disciplinary research activities of LU and assisting with the development of the overall research strategy
- Writing grant and other applications for research funding
- Mentoring and supervision of research associates and other staff
- Communication of research to a wide audience
- Assessment of coursework, examinations and dissertations and providing appropriate feedback to students
- Pastoral care, support and guidance of students
- Design, development and delivery of lectures, tutorials, workshops, and/or field courses at undergraduate and postgraduate level in an appropriate subject area
- Development of teaching skills and practice
- Administration of teaching and research, according to the strategic aims of host department
- Supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate projects
- Provision of sabbatical cover when necessary
- Attending and participating in academic staff meetings and meetings of other University committees
- Other duties, appropriate to the skills and experience of the post-holder, as assigned from time to time by the HOD, Dean of the Faculty or PVC Research

**Other contacts**

**Internal:** PvC Research, Departmental management team, University academic colleagues, Enterprise and Business Partnerships team, collaborating research groups, teaching and administrative teams, colleagues & students, colleagues in other depts.

**External:** Research Councils and other funding bodies, employers, business organizations, civil society groups, professional bodies, local and national government departments and organizations, academic and research networks, potential students and their parents, nationally/internationally prestigious research collaborations/institutions