

MA Tutor in Writing Poetry – Poetry School, based Somerset House, Strand, London.

The Poetry School is seeking an exceptional poet / educator to teach as a lecturer on the Poetry School / Newcastle University MA in Writing Poetry. The successful candidate will join Glyn Maxwell as fellow tutor on the course, working with the MA administrator and Newcastle University School of English Literature, Language and Linguistics.

The MA in Writing Poetry is now in its successful ninth year with 2 full cohorts of 12 students in each year. Through a combination of masterclasses, practical workshop sessions, one-to-one tutorials and a week-long summer school, the two-year, part-time, course aims to help poets hone their craft in a collaborative and nurturing environment.

The successful candidate for the post should have experience of teaching prosody at a graduate level, is confident in leading workshops and highly skilled in giving constructive feedback. Other academic or artistic research interests which have informed their practice are desirable. The successful candidate will be an established poet who has published a minimum of 2 collections and is an established member of the literary world.

Key Requirements:

- A strong record of publication and achievement within the poetry world
- An outstanding reputation as an educator, preferably at graduate level
- Experience of interdisciplinary teaching, research and projects
- An excellent academic background. A PhD in English or Creative Writing is preferred but not required
- A strong commitment to the goals and vision of the course
- An ability to inspire and direct students towards their personal goals
- Integrity, openness and honesty, with a strong commitment to equality and inclusivity and a sensitivity towards cultural differences and considerations
- Considerable editorial experience
- A highly organised individual

The Role

The role is for a part time, 2 year renewable contract with a 6 month probationary period reporting to the School's Executive Director.

- Remuneration is in line with University of Newcastle's postgraduate tutor pay scale
- In person teaching is 2 hours per week on Tuesday with alternating cohorts
- Teaching takes place in person for the Autumn and Spring terms
- Each term is 10 weeks in length
- Each student has one-to-one tutorials with each tutor each term
- Submission marking is calculated per student with a maximum of 24 submissions to mark per term, taking approximately one hour each
- The School also pays for administrative time for tutors and for the assessment of applications

- The School provides a happy environment, with a supportive, understanding and highly skilled team

How to apply

- Please email a full CV and personal statement (up to 2 sides of A4) outlining your suitability for the role to ma@poetryschool.com by midnight, Monday May 15th, 2023
- First interviews will be from Tuesday May 30th, 2023
- Final interviews will take place in early June, with a workshop with students element (expenses and time will be paid)
- **Announcement will be made Wednesday June 14th, 2023**

Applications are welcomed from all. Poetry School is committed to encouraging equality, diversity and inclusion among our workforce, and eliminating unlawful discrimination. The aim is for our workforce to be truly representative of all sections of society and our community, and for each employee to feel respected and able to give their best.