

Global and Area Studies Hub: Co-ordinators UCL Institute of Advanced Studies

Overview

The Institute of Advanced Studies (IAS) is creating a Global and Area Studies Hub, to act as a single focal point of UCL global and regional academic expertise. The rationale and the role of the Hub is set out below. In order to launch our work, we wish to recruit two co-ordinators following academic year.

Location: London Contract

Contract type: As and When

Hours: Part-time

Salary: Grade 6, spine point 28 (£19.61 / hour)

Duration: May-July 2023

Closes: Midnight on Monday 27 March 2023

About

UCL's Institute of Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences (IAS) was founded in 2015 and is based at the heart of UCL's Bloomsbury Campus in South Wing. It is a research-based community of scholars comprising colleagues and doctoral students from across UCL as well as visiting fellows and research collaborators/interlocutors from the UK and internationally.

The IAS is committed to critical thinking and engaged enquiry both within and across conventional disciplinary and institutional boundaries, and aims to provide a creative and generative context in which to question and dislodge habitual practices and modes of thought. In particular, in the context of a major multi-disciplinary university, the IAS harnesses UCL's extensive expertise across the humanities and social sciences, to investigate received wisdom, to bring the aesthetic and the political into dialogue with one another, to foster collaborative cutting-edge research, to identify and address the urgent ethical and intellectual challenges that face us today, and to confront our responsibilities as citizens of an increasingly contracting and inter-connected world, exploring our place (historically as well as spatially) within it.

We invite applications from current UCL PhD students working on global and

Role of the Research Hub

- regions
- to connect academics in Critical Area Studies with those in units focused on global or planetary challenges and with colleagues in all faculties who work in or on other parts of the world in their research
- to stimulate new thematic and comparative research through sandpits and other networking initiatives, with a view to major collaborative grant applications
- to collate and disseminate information about current research, education and public engagement
- global/area studies interests by providing opportunities for intellectual exchange and networking
- to provide the co-ordination and support for collaborative and comparative work that is currently lacking
- to align the academic work with professional services expertise and funding support from teams such as Global Engagement and Grand Challenges
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