

We are looking for a...

Lead Scientist: Renewable Energy and the Environment

Grade: Senior Research Fellow

Salary: £38,515 - £45,960 (depending on track record & experience)

Term: 3 Years with potential to extend

The Environmental Research Institute (ERI) is a distinctive research centre situated in the town of Thurso in the northern Highlands of Scotland. It is part of the North Highland College, one of the partners in the University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI); Scotland's newest and most unique University. The ERI has a rapidly evolving research profile and provides a high quality, vibrant research environment. It has unrivalled access to some outstanding natural environments including the dynamic Pentland Firth waters, which lie between Caithness and Orkney in northern Scotland, where the Atlantic Ocean meets the North Sea.

As part of our commitment to developing our international research profile, we have an exciting opportunity for an experienced and highly motivated scientist to lead our activity in 'Renewable Energy and the Environment' and to contribute to the ERI's research portfolio and strategy.

Applications are sought from motivated candidates with demonstrable expertise and a proven track record of research in any area of science related to 'Renewable Energy and the Environment', for example:

- Marine spatial ecology and / or ecosystem dynamics
- Marine energy resource assessment (including field, modelling and remote sensing approaches to understanding wave and tidal energy resources)
- Coastal physical oceanography (particularly tides and waves)
- Marine bio-physical interactions
- Fisheries and fish ecology (especially migratory species)
- Novel technologies
- Device-environment interaction

- Appointment will be made to the grade of Senior Research Fellow (£38,515 - £45,960 depending on experience and track record). You will be entitled to join the Local Government Pension Scheme.
- Closing date for receipt of applications is 28th April 2017
- Further details on this exciting opportunity are available at: www.eri.ac.uk/category/job-vacancies/

Guidance notes for candidates

Further information on the position

For further information on this position, please contact:

Professor Stuart Gibb on **01847 889581** or **Stuart.Gibb@uhi.ac.uk** before **7th of April 2017**.

The ERI is part of the University of the Highland and Island's North Highland College. The following websites may be useful in providing further information.

The University of the Highlands and Islands:
www.uhi.ac.uk

The North Highland College:
www.northhighland.uhi.ac.uk

The Environmental Research Institute:
www.eri.ac.uk

For more information about what we do, please read some of the recent newsletters on the website :
www.eri.ac.uk/category/eri-newsletters/

Completing the Application Form

Please read the application form thoroughly and complete it in type or **black ink**. Please ensure that you complete all sections. The Application Form must be completed in full.

Where answers require additional detail, this should be provided on a continuation sheet and attached to the form.

The information that you provide in your application form & other supporting information is the only information we will use in deciding whether or not you will be short listed for interview.

A current CV and covering letter should also be provided in addition to the application form.

Your application will be treated in the strictest confidence. The Equalities Monitoring information will be detached from your application form prior to the short-listing process.

References

References will only be taken up for short-listed candidates.

Please give the name, address, telephone number and email address (if known) of two referees, **including your existing or last employer**, to whom reference may be made in support of your application concerning your professional ability and performance at work.

Please ensure your referees are in a position to respond promptly as no appointment will be made without receipt of satisfactory references.

Please note that any offer of employment will be conditional upon receipt of satisfactory references from your current/last employer or academic institution, unless advised otherwise.

Submitting your application

Completed applications must be returned by the closing date indicated - **28th of April 2017**

Applications (preferably by e-mail) should be sent to **nhchr@uhi.ac.uk**

Or: Human Resources, North Highland College-UHI, Ormlie Road, Thurso, Caithness, Scotland KW14 7EE.

We will acknowledge receipt of completed applications by e-mail. Written acknowledgement of completed applications will only be provided where requested and where a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed with your application for this purpose.

We will contact you concerning your application once shortlisting has been completed.

Closing Date

Closing date for applications: **28th of April 2017**

Interviews will be held: Late April/early May (provisional)

Starting date for successful candidates: The position is available immediately (start date negotiable).