

Plymouth

Britain's Ocean City

With its 175 year heritage, the University of St Mark & St John has an outstanding reputation for learning and teaching in distinctive subject areas. As part of a major new growth strategy to develop its identity, portfolio, culture and impact the university is making significant investment in research leadership and postgraduate provision. Applications are now invited for six fully-funded Masters-level Graduate Assistant Studentships to contribute to the University's strategic developments in research.

The University's outstanding campus is located in the waterfront city of Plymouth on the stunning coast of south Devon and Cornwall and close to Dartmoor National Park. The University of St Mark & St John is currently ranked best university in the UK 2014 *Social Mobility Graduate Index*, 4th in the 2014 *Times Good University Guide* for student satisfaction and equal 6th in the UK's 2013 *National Student Survey*.

Graduate Assistant Studentships (six positions)

Graduate Assistants will undertake a research-based Masters programme that culminates in a thesis. There is the possibility of progressing to a funded PhD on successful completion of the Masters programme. Applicants with a good first degree and interested in the following areas are invited to apply:

Faculty of Education & Social Sciences

1. Education and/or teacher education
2. Special educational needs and disability
3. Social science

Faculty of Sport & Health Sciences

1. Physical activity, health and wellbeing (including injury treatment and rehabilitation)
2. Sport performance
3. Disability and inclusive sport

Faculty of Language and Creative Industries

1. Applied language sciences
2. Music, sound and digital applications

Appointed candidates will receive:

- ◆ One Year Full-time with bursary of £8,500 in recognition of significant contribution to academic related activity.
- ◆ Funded tuition for the award of Masters in Professional Inquiry
- ◆ Research supervision by highly qualified academic staff
- ◆ Funded place on the award of Certificate of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education
- ◆ Staff development and employability advice to build a career plan and portfolio
- ◆ Funded conference attendance and mentoring in making conference presentations
- ◆ Networking opportunities to develop links with employers and further research opportunities

Informal discussion:

To arrange an informal discussion with the relevant Faculty Dean or Head of Department please contact: Gillian Bishop, Executive Officer: gbishop@marjon.ac.uk

Applications process:

Applications should consist of an outline research proposal of approximately 1000 words, a covering letter and a CV and should be submitted to: hr@marjon.ac.uk

Closing Date: 28th July 2014 at 12.00 midday