

Vacancies for ORCID outreach assistants

Location: Canterbury Campus

Salary (£): £11.25 per hour

The project

Kent Early ORCID is a JISC/ARMA funded project that aims to embed ORCID identifiers (<http://orcid.org/>) within the University of Kent as standard practice for researchers.

An ORCID iD (e.g. <http://orcid.org/0000-0002-1825-0097>) is a unique identifier for an individual that can tie all their research together in one place, allowing them to disambiguate, track and share their research with just one simple URL. ORCID iDs are freely available to all, and we hope that this project will enable both students and academic staff to actively learn about and use these identifiers.

The project here at Kent is primarily in relation to early career researchers (hence Kent 'Early' ORCID) and will utilise a team of PhD students to perform much of the outreach and promotional activity, supported by a Project Officer. The aim will be to spread the word and benefits of an ORCID iD and sign up 1000 members of the university within the project.

For more information see the project blog: <http://blogs.kent.ac.uk/orcid/>

The role

Information Services is looking for PhD students and early-career researchers to work flexible hours to support the activity of the JISC/ARMA sponsored Kent Early ORCID project.

Responsibilities include:

- assisting the project team in developing an outreach strategy
- taking part in a programme of advocacy for ORCID identifiers
- supporting outreach events and giving presentations
- assist in developing an ongoing programme of advocacy for use after the conclusion of the project

Employment will start from October 2014, and will run until the end of December. Work hours will vary, but the project includes funding for at least 6 full days of work per person during the employment period.

The person

Successful candidates will have excellent communications skills coupled with a good understanding of the research environment in their particular subject. They will be confident, friendly and willing to approach others to promote and advocate the use of ORCID. Successful candidates will be expected

to create their own ORCID identifier to use in outreach activities, but prior experience of this product is not essential as training will be provided.

Further information

For further information, or to register your interest in one of these positions, please contact the Project Officer.

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