

Founded in 1994 and awarded the University title in 2016, The Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK) is a publicly funded university, dedicated to the advancement of teacher education and related disciplines through a diverse offering of academic, professional and research programmes. The University aspires to become a leading university in the Asia Pacific region and beyond, with a focus on educational and multi-disciplinary research, development and innovation. We are committed to nurturing outstanding and caring educators and professionals as well as enhancing the impact of scholarship.

The University has an academic/teaching staff strength of about 450 and total student headcount of about 11,000. It has a Graduate School and three Faculties, namely, Faculty of Education and Human Development, Faculty of Humanities, and Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, comprising 15 academic departments, as well as two Academies, Academy for Educational Development and Innovation, and Academy for Applied Policy Studies and Education Futures, a number of University-level research centres and Faculty-level research and professional development centres. For more information about the University, please visit <http://www.eduhk.hk>.

To continue pursuing excellence in the advancement of knowledge, scholarship and innovation through high quality research, we are seeking enthusiastic and highly dedicated academics to join the University in support of its strategic development in diverse areas.

Head of the Department of Early Childhood Education Faculty of Education and Human Development

We are seeking a highly motivated and experienced scholar to lead the Department of Early Childhood Education. The Head of Department will assume the overall responsibility for academic leadership and strategic direction to the department in line with the strategy (2025-2028) of the Faculty of Education and Human Development and the strategic plan (2025-2031) of the University. He/She will report to the Dean of Faculty of Education and Human Development.

Roles and Responsibilities

The appointee will provide leadership to develop and implement innovative programmes and courses in relevant areas including but not limited to early childhood education and care, child development and diversity, family and community support, and leadership and policy for children's early education and development; take the lead in securing competitive external funding and research opportunities; enhance the department's collaboration with academic and industry partners and communities; manage, mentor and evaluate staff performance; participate in university governance and contribute to the wider academic community locally, regionally (e.g. the Greater Bay Area) and internationally.

The appointee will contribute to his/her affiliated department's teaching, research, project supervision, knowledge transfer projects/activities, programme and curriculum development, and programme and course management at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Supervision of field work and of teaching practicum may also be required.

Requirements

Applicants should have a doctoral degree and prior degrees in fields relevant to one or more of the areas of the Department. They should be an active researcher with track record of high-impact publications and a growing publication record and able to continue conducting research that attracts competitive external funding and leads to publication in leading international journals. Applicants should have teaching experience and a commitment to excellence in teaching (Qualified Teacher Status is a plus); should be fluent in English with, ideally, some knowledge of Cantonese and/or Putonghua and the educational context of Hong Kong and/or China. Candidates with international experience would also be highly valued.

For information on the Department of Early Childhood Education, please visit: <https://www.eduhk.hk/ece/en/>.

Remuneration

The successful applicant will be offered appointment at an academic rank (viz., Chair Professor / Professor / Associate Professor), commensurate with qualifications and experience, and hold the Headship appointment on a concurrent basis for an initial period of up to 3 years with the possibility of renewal for a second term. Remuneration package will be highly competitive and negotiable, and attractive fringe benefits including housing benefits where appropriate, will be provided.

Application / Nomination

The University is being represented in this search by Adecco Personnel Limited. Interested parties are invited to submit applications/nominations, together with cover letter and a full curriculum vitae, to Mr Alvin Tsang by email to

pm.at.hk@adecco.com.

The University reserves the right not to fill the position or to fill the position by invitation. Only those who are shortlisted will be contacted. Applications and nominations will be considered until the position is filled. Personal data provided by applicants will be used for recruitment and other employment-related purposes. For details of the Personal Information Collection Statement, please refer to <http://www.eduhk.hk/jobsopp/index.php?glang=en>. Since the incumbents' work would involve contacts with persons aged under 18 and/or mentally incapacitated persons, prospective employee(s) will be required to undergo Sexual Conviction Record Check operated by the Hong Kong Police Force.

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