

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE	Admissions Officer
DEPARTMENT	Student and Academic Services
TYPE OF CONTRACT	Fixed term, full-time, 6-month contract
RESPONSIBLE TO	Deputy Admissions Manager
COUNTERSIGNING MANAGER	N/A
GROSS ANNUAL SALARY	£24,000 - £26,000
HOURS OF WORK	35 hours per week; Monday to Friday (9.30am – 5.30pm) plus evening and weekend work as and when necessary
KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS	Student and Academic Services department; Partnerships & External Relations dept; Finance; Drama School
INTERNAL	
EXTERNAL	Applicants, applicant Next of Kin, schools and colleges, accommodation suppliers, audition venues
PROBATIONARY PERIOD	Your employment will be subject to a probationary period of 1 month
HOLIDAY ENTITLEMENT	28 days per year (pro-rata) plus bank holidays; (This is inclusive of any days when LAMDA may be closed i.e. towards Christmas closure)
PENSION	After 3 months of continuous service you will be automatically enrolled into our qualifying workplace pension scheme with AVIVA. LAMDA will make an additional contribution in accordance with auto-enrolment regulations
EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME	LAMDA offers an employee assistance programme (EAP) which is confidential and easy to access. This service is available to staff 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

JOB PURPOSE

- To assist the Admissions and Student Services Manager by working as part of the team who deal with admissions administration, all applications, auditions and interviews for LAMDA courses and the provision of a wide variety of student services.
- To assist as required with other administrative duties, such as tasks related to enrolment, graduation and cover for the library issue desk

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Providing advice and guidance for applicants about LAMDA courses.
- Using LAMDA's student record system to manage applications to and offers for LAMDA's courses.
- Scheduling auditions and interviews and processing the outcomes
- Organising 'audition squad' and casual staff to cover all auditions and interviews, and processing payroll paperwork
- Preparing and distributing offer packs for incoming students
- Assisting the Admissions and Student Services Manager with student welfare matters.
- Dealing with admissions enquiries by phone e-mail and in person.
- Assisting with arrangements for formal enrolment and graduation
- Helping students to enrol correctly each year, and helping them to complete the necessary forms and supply the necessary supporting documents
- Providing a variety of information and assistance to students and staff
- Other reasonable duties as required by the Admissions and Student Services Manager.

This job description reflects the present requirements of the post and should not be seen as an exhaustive list of responsibilities. Duties and responsibilities may develop and change in consultation with line management.

The successful applicant will be required to go through a DBS 'Enhanced Disclosure' check. Expenses will be met by the Academy.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	METHOD OF ASSESSMENT
SKILLS / ABILITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Excellent organisational skills and the ability to remain calm and good-humoured under pressure -Good telephone manner with clear communication skills -Clear, accurate writing skills -Excellent interpersonal and team- working skills -Experience of MS Office 		Application / Interview
KNOWLEDGE		-Knowledge of student record systems	Application / Interview
EXPERIENCE	-Administrative experience in an office-based environment	-Interest / experience in drama / performing arts and student environment	Application / Interview
QUALIFICATIONS		-Degree, or equivalent in experience	Certificates (if applicable)
QUALITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Focused, highly efficient and self- motivated with the ability to think creatively and to take the initiative to meet strict deadlines across a number of simultaneous projects -Collaborative team player with ability to communicate clearly and effectively with both internal and external suppliers 	-Ability to work with minimum amount of supervision	Application / Interview

ABOUT LAMDA

As the oldest drama school in the UK, founded in 1861 as the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, LAMDA is a world-leading conservatoire based in the heart of London, offering exceptional vocational training to actors, stage managers, technicians, directors and designers, regardless of their background or socio-economic circumstances. In 1965, LAMDA became the first drama school to introduce technical training and quickly became a prototype for other institutions branching into this area.

LAMDA is also an Ofqual-registered awarding body, offering world renowned qualifications in communication and performance and inspiring the next generation of confident communicators through qualifications in performance and communication.

LAMDA has been registered with the Office for Students as a stand-alone Higher Education Provider since 2019, and was granted full degree awarding powers in 2021. We believe drama has the power to transform lives. Our students graduate as authentic, confident and independent artists or technicians, capable of shaping their own careers.

Conservatoire training is, by its nature, selective, training only the best; course numbers are limited and LAMDA teaches in small groups. There is a core cohort of just under 400 UK and international students a year across six degree courses and other HE courses. The school also welcomes around 360 students onto other courses during the year, including short courses run during Spring and Summer vacations. LAMDA is a leader in performing arts training and strives for excellence in every facet of our organisation.

In July 2018, LAMDA joined the register of Higher Education Providers, a key step towards achieving degree awarding powers. LAMDA now operates independently from the Conservatoire of Dance and Drama, receiving funding directly from the Office for Students. LAMDA was granted full degree awarding powers in 2021.

At the heart of LAMDA's approach is a commitment to the ensemble, stressing the importance of collaboration to achieve excellence. LAMDA nurtures every student's unique talents to give them the tools they need to become independent, creative artists and technicians, along with all the help and guidance they need to transition and make their mark within the creative and performing arts industry. Alongside this, LAMDA is committed to ensuring that its training is accessible to all. LAMDA has several substantial measures in place to widen access to Higher Education and is committed to the creation of pathways to our training for those from the Global Majority, those from low socio-economic backgrounds and care leavers.

The work of the Academy is complemented by that of LAMDA Examinations, through which LAMDA offers a drama and communications-based syllabus leading to accredited and non-accredited awards in the UK and overseas.

In 2017, LAMDA moved into its new £28.2m centre for world-leading drama training. LAMDA's new home features ten large training and rehearsal studios, three theatres - the 200 seat Sainsbury Theatre, 120-seat the Carne Studio Theatre and the Linbury Studio, and a fully equipped digital and audio suite. In January 2018, LAMDA alumni Benedict Cumberbatch was appointed the Academy's President.

LAMDA Alumni include Nikki Amuka-Bird, Patricia Hodge, Janet Suzman, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Jeremy Irvine, Rory Kinnear, Harriet Walter, Rose Leslie, Paterson Joseph, David Oyelowo, Katherine Parkinson, Toby Stephens, David Suchet, Sam Claflin, Leah Harvey, and Ruth Wilson, among many others.