

SENTENCING ACADEMY

Research Associate x 2

Role type: A three month freelance research position with a guarantee of a minimum of 14 hours per week at a rate of £20 per hour

Deadline for applications: 21 April 2020

Launched in November 2019, the Sentencing Academy is a new charity dedicated to promoting professional and public understanding of sentencing in England and Wales. It is run by its three Directors, Professor Julian Roberts, Dr Jonathan Bild and Dr Lyndon Harris, and it has an office within the Faculty of Laws at University College London.

We are looking for two researchers to join us as freelance Research Associates to make a significant contribution to our research agenda over the next three months (approximately from late April to late July 2020). There is some flexibility over the precise number of hours and when the research is carried out (i.e. it is not expected that the Research Associates must do exactly 14 hours every week).

The Research Associates will work closely with the Directors to provide research on all aspects of sentencing in England and Wales. The primary focus for the Research Associates will be to produce relatively short (around four to five pages) standalone pieces of research on various sentencing issues. The work can all be completed remotely from home.

To apply, please send a copy of your CV with a brief accompanying cover letter supporting your application (please also indicate in it your level of availability over the next three months) to info@sentencingacademy.org.uk by 5pm on 21 April 2020. If you have any questions about this role or would like to discuss it further, please contact Jonathan Bild at j.bild@sentencingacademy.org.uk.

Person specification

- Postgraduate qualification in Law, Criminology or Criminal Justice (Essential)
- PhD in a related area or working towards a PhD in the same (Desirable)
- Excellent writing skills and the ability to write for different audiences (Essential)
- Detailed knowledge of sentencing and the criminal justice system (Essential)
- Experience of producing published research (Desirable)
- The ability to work unsupervised (Essential)