

Research Assistant, Ethnographic Documentation Project

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UCL Museums & Collections / Department of Anthropology

UCL Museums and Collections and the Department of Anthropology have recently been awarded a grant from the Arts and Humanities Research Council to document and research the ethnography collections housed at UCL.

UCL's Ethnography Collection consists of around 3,000 artefacts of historical, educational and cultural importance from Africa, Oceania, the Americas and Asia. Most of the collection dates back well before the 1930s and includes several key objects that are instrumental to our understanding of anthropological theory, colonial history and cultural heritage – such as the kula shell armlets from the Trobriand Islands, first written about by the anthropologist Bronislaw Malinowski in the early 1900s.

We are seeking an enthusiastic research assistant to input ethnographic data onto a database system and research the collection. The post will involve working closely with UCL staff in museums and collections and in anthropology, as well as staff in other ethnographic museums. In addition the research assistant will play a key active role in collating data for developing a thesaurus that will be implemented for the documentation and development of the collection database system.

We particularly welcome applicants from an ethnic minority as they are under represented within UCL at this level.

Salary

Grade 6: Salary: £23,002-£24,403 (plus London Allowance £2572)

Full-time post, funded for 11 month period, starting October 2007 until end of August 2008

Application details

The deadline is 16th August 2007 with interviews in the first week of September 2007.

For further information please contact Dr Graeme Were via email: g.were@ucl.ac.uk or visit UCL Museums & Collections website on: www.ucl.ac.uk/museums/jobs

To apply please send/email a completed UCL application form explaining your suitability for the post to:

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