

## Position Description – Senior Lecturer *in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health*

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POSITION DETAILS	
College/Portfolio	College of Medicine and Public Health
Organisational Unit	Discipline of Rural and Remote Health
Supervisor (Title)	Director Medical Education and Training
Classification	Teaching Specialist (Clinical / Practitioner) Level C
Employment Type	Fixed term, Full Time

POSITION SUMMARY
<p>This Teaching Specialist (Clinical/Practitioner) position, with its primary focus on teaching and teaching-related activities, has an important role to play in the University's achievement of its strategic plan, Making a Difference: The 2025 Agenda.</p> <p>The University is committed to a student-centred ethos and to developing creative, enterprising, career-ready graduates prepared to become lifelong contributors to society. In accordance with the strategic plan, the University seeks to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• deliver a richly interactive and personalised approach to learning focussed on student success;</li> <li>• be an international leader in educational innovation, advanced learning technologies and learning analytics; and</li> <li>• develop enterprising graduates equipped with the skills required for success in the knowledge economy.</li> </ul> <p>The Senior Lecturer will provide leadership in delivering excellence in teaching and learning across the topics and courses in Rural and Remote Health, College of Medicine and Public Health. The Senior Lecturer will be responsible for making a significant and wide-ranging contribution to leadership in teaching and scholarship of teaching using innovations in teaching practices and technologies to deliver excellence in teaching with emphasis on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, cultural safety, primary health care and population health across Flinders Northern Territory. They will be expected to draw upon their significant and senior roles in clinical practice to develop industry partnerships for work integrated learning, deliver innovate placement models and provide contemporary and high-quality placement education, both through clinical skills training, simulation and service provision. The Senior Lecturer will also have a key leadership role in service to the College and/or University.</p> <p>The incumbent will have a track record of working well with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities and be able to demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of Indigenous Health.</p> <p><b>The filling of this position is intended to constitute a special/equal opportunity measure under section 8 (1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) and s57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1995 (NT). The position is therefore only open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants.</b></p>

### UNIVERSITY EXPECTATIONS AND VALUES

All staff at Flinders are responsible for understanding their obligations and responsibilities as set out in the University's code of conduct and are expected to:

- demonstrate commitment to the University's values of Integrity, Courage, Innovation, Excellence and the underlying ethos of being Student Centred;
- contribute to the efficient and effective functioning of the team or work unit in order to meet the University's objectives. This includes demonstrating appropriate and professional workplace behaviours, providing assistance to team members if required and undertaking other key responsibilities or activities as directed by one's supervisor;
- promote and support an inclusive workplace culture which values diversity and embraces the principles of equal opportunity;
- perform their responsibilities in a manner which reflects and responds to continuous improvement; and
- familiarise themselves and comply with the University's Work Health and Safety, Injury Management and Equal Opportunity policies.

*Northern Territory Government legislation (the Care and Protection of Children Act 2007) now requires all individuals in child related employment or whose duties involve, or are likely to involve, contact with a child, to hold a valid 'Working with Children Clearance' (Ochre Card). This position involves child related work and is assessed as requiring a Working with Children Clearance/Ochre Card.*

*A National Police Certificate which is satisfactory to the University will be required by Flinders University before the successful applicant can commence in this position.*

*Staff working in a health care setting are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID in line with the NT Health policy.*

### KEY POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES

This position is predominantly concerned with providing leadership and direction related to teaching and teaching-related duties involving the creation, delivery and continuous quality improvement of university-level education. It includes (but is not limited to): direct teaching informed by approaches that enhance the student experience; educational leadership; curriculum design and review; delivery innovation; advancements in education technologies; and leadership in ensuring internal and external compliance and accreditation of courses. The position is also expected to make a leadership contribution to high-quality university, professional and community service, which may extend from the local level to national or international. The position does not include making a research contribution.

#### Teaching:

- Create, coordinate and conduct inspiring teaching informed by approaches that enhance the student experience, with a focus on Indigenous health content and topics, across all levels and modes, of the College and a focus on clinical skills training and/or supervision of students undertaking work integrated learning.
- Contribute to the planning and evaluation of these topics, undertaking the roles of Topic Coordinator and Course Coordinator as required.

- Play a lead role in the review, renewal, development and design of curricula and courses that are attractive to existing and new cohorts of students and that nurture creativity and critical-thinking skills.
- Provide support, academic counselling and professional advice to students concerning their studies, professional development and career opportunities.
- Make effective use of innovations and technologies in teaching practice.
- Provide educational leadership and dissemination of best practice, ensuring awareness and utilisation of contemporary education principles.
- Engage in coaching, mentoring, supervising student projects; research higher degree supervision as an Adjunct Supervisor.

University, Professional and Service:

- Contribute at a significant level in the College's administrative activities such as leadership on committees and working groups and attendance at and/or coordination of college meetings.
- Significant involvement in and/or leading activities relating to internal and external compliance and professional accreditation of courses.
- Maintain professional knowledge relevant to teaching within their discipline through scholarship and professional development.
- Engage in activities within a relevant external professional domain such as professional associations, conferences and workshops, and within a wider community context at local, national or international level.
- Provide leadership in, coordination of, development of and/or leading international activities including student mobility programs, internationalisation of curricula and ensuring the relevance of curricula to international students - that enhance intercultural skills development in students
- Provide high quality contribution to community service on behalf of the College and University, with a focus on opportunities that maintain clinical skills currency.
- Undertake activities that promote the development of productive partnerships to provide opportunities for students and promote graduate employability.
- Any other responsibilities in line with the level of the position as assigned by the Supervisor and/or the University.

**KEY POSITION CAPABILITIES**

- For Indigenous staff members whose duties involve cultural activity which prioritises Indigenous knowledges and practices requiring community cultural recognition, evidence of such recognition plus a clinical degree or equivalent clinical experience and progress towards a PhD.
- Identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person and is recognised as such by an appropriate Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander body.
- Currently registered or eligible for registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Hold and maintain a current membership with the Medical Board of Australia.
- Relevant and extensive contemporary clinical experience.

- An understanding of pedagogical theory and contemporary education practice relevant to Medicine
- Significant and sustained evidence of excellence in teaching performance at a tertiary level, inclusive of simulation and/or clinical setting.
- Significant and sustained evidence of development, delivery and evaluation of innovative teaching and learning strategies both in the classroom and in clinical education.
- Demonstrated willingness and ability to contribute to scholarship in teaching through participation in teaching and learning strategies and in professional development in higher education teaching.
- Demonstrated strong understanding of the nexus between teaching and learning, research and scholarship.
- Demonstrated excellent oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills, including the ability to establish and maintain effective relationships with staff, students and industry.
- Evidence of upholding the values and ethos of the University.
- Established relationships with Indigenous communities, groups and organisations.
- Formal qualifications or experience in Indigenous Health or health professional, teaching and curriculum development (desirable).