

**UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM  
RECRUITMENT ROLE PROFILE**

- Job Title:** Research Associate/Fellow - Florence Nightingale Comes Home for 2020: an Historico-Literary Analysis of her Family Life
- School/Department:** School of Humanities/Dept. of History
- Job Family and Level:** Research and Teaching Level 4 Training Grade/Level 4
- Contract Status:** Fixed-term for a period of 3 years from 1 January 2018 until 31 December 2020
- Hours of Work:** Full-time (36.25 hours per week)
- Location:** University Park, Lenton Grove
- Reporting to:** Anna Greenwood

**Purpose of the Role:**

The successful post holder will assist and support Dr Anna Greenwood in carrying out the historical research component of a large interdisciplinary AHRC grant: 'Florence Nightingale Comes Home for 2020: An Historico-Literary Analysis of her Family Life', This grant is held by Professor Paul Crawford (Health Sciences) and Dr Greenwood (History) and will run from January 2018-April 2021, with the associated Postdoctoral Positions running for 36 months between January 2018 and December 2020. A separate post is also being advertised for a Research Assistant to work with Professor Crawford on the literary analysis aspects of this project.

The history role will suit a candidate with a doctorate in medical history, ideally in the history of nursing and/or gender. Candidates that can demonstrate a knowledge of the East Midlands will also be welcomed although this is not an essential requirement. The project will investigate Florence Nightingale's roots in, and enduring life long connection to, the East Midlands and will work with a network of partners to deliver high quality academic outputs as well as a vibrant programme of engagement events, timed to bring regional representation to the 2020 celebrations of the bicentennial of Nightingale's birth. Duties will include literature searches, extensive archival scoping, the organisation of 3 workshops (2018, 2019, 2020), the co-development of a website (alongside the other postdoctoral assistant), the successful delivery of a travelling exhibition, the drafting of reports and providing detailed assistance in the creation of further funding bids. Opportunities to publish within this research area will be actively encouraged.

**Main Responsibilities**

1.	To undertake historical research that will include extensive source mapping of Nightingale's East Midland's connections over several archives.
2.	To conduct literature and database searches and carry out critical evaluations using specified and agreed techniques, approaches and/or models and to document findings.
3.	To contribute to the production of research reports and publications
4.	To prepare and present papers on research progress and outcomes to relevant groups including external bodies.
5.	To develop skills in, and knowledge of, research methods and techniques and contribute to the development of/or choice of techniques, models, methods, critiques and approaches.

6.	To communicate information and disseminate ideas and findings to the wider academic community, as well as advising and assisting staff within the research group in relation to dissemination.
7.	To co-ordinate the operational aspect of research networks, for example, organising events, arranging meetings and generating content for websites and social media routes etc.
7.	To build relationships with Nightingale interest groups worldwide and to develop knowledge and understanding that will underpin relationships for future collaborations.
8.	To work cooperatively in conjunction with others in the research team, achieve objectives and deadlines of the research project.

### Knowledge, Skills, Qualifications & Experience

	Essential	Desirable
<b>Qualifications/ Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PhD (or near completion) in medical history (broadly conceived).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PhD related to nursing history, local history or gender history.</li> <li>Master's Degree, or equivalent in relevant subject area.</li> </ul>
<b>Skills/Training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excellent oral and written communication skills, including the ability to communicate with clarity on complex information.</li> <li>Evidence of sufficient breadth or depth of research methodologies and techniques to work in research area.</li> <li>Developing research skills.</li> <li>Analytical ability to facilitate conceptual thinking, innovation and creativity.</li> <li>Highly organised and able to take initiative.</li> <li>Reliable and personable manner.</li> <li>Able to build and sustain relationships and collaborate with others, internally and externally.</li> <li>Confidence to present the engagement elements of the project</li> <li>Strong computer competencies, especially in Word, Excel and Endnote.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrates a desire to further develop skills and knowledge of research methods and techniques.</li> </ul>
<b>Experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence in use of research methodologies and techniques to work within research area.</li> <li>Some relevant experience of organising an academic event.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some practical experience of working within a variety of archives.</li> <li>Some previous experience of postdoctoral research.</li> <li>Some experience of running engagement initiatives, particularly exhibitions.</li> <li>Some experience building a webpage.</li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some evidence of interest of either: history of nursing and/or gender and/or nineteenth century and/or local history.</li> </ul>	



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