

# Position Description - Senior Lecturer in Osteopathy

#### **Position Details**

Position Title: Senior Lecturer in Osteopathy

College/Portfolio: STEM College

School/Group: School of Health and Biomedical Sciences

Campus Location: Based at the Bundoora campus but may be required to work and/or be based at other

campuses of the University.

Classification: Academic Level C

**Employment Type:** Continuing

Time Fraction: 1.0

### **RMIT University**

RMIT is a multi-sector university of technology, design and enterprise with more than 96,000 students and close to 10,000 staff globally. The University's mission is to help shape the world through research, innovation and engagement, and to create transformative experiences for students to prepare them for life and work.

https://www.rmit.edu.au/about

https://www.universitiesaustralia.edu.au/university/rmit-university/

Our three main campuses in Melbourne are located in the heart of the City, Brunswick and Bundoora. Other locations include Point Cook, Hamilton and Bendigo, two campuses in Vietnam (Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City) and a centre in Barcelona, Spain. RMIT is a truly global university. <a href="https://www.rmit.edu.au/about/our-locations-and-facilities">https://www.rmit.edu.au/about/our-locations-and-facilities</a>

We are also committed to redefining our relationship in working with, and supporting, Indigenous self-determination. Our goal is to achieve lasting transformation by maturing our values, culture, policy and structures in a way that embeds reconciliation in everything we do. We are changing our ways of knowing, working and being to support sustainable reconciliation and activate a relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous staff, students and community. Our three campuses in Melbourne (City, Brunswick and Bundoora campuses) are located on the unceded lands of the people of the Woi Wurrung and Boon Wurrung language groups of the eastern Kulin Nation.

# Why work at RMIT University

Our people make everything at the University possible. We encourage new approaches to work and learning, stimulating change to drive positive impact. Find out more about working at RMIT University, what we stand for and why we are an Employer of Choice.

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#### https://www.rmit.edu.au/careers

We want to attract those who will make a difference. View RMIT's impressive standings in university rankings. https://www.rmit.edu.au/about/facts-figures/reputation-and-rankings

### **STEM College**

The STEM College holds a leading position and expertise in the science, technology, engineering, mathematics and health (STEM) fields. We are uniquely positioned to influence and partner with industry, as never before.

STEM College is a community of exceptional STEM researchers, teachers, inventors, designers and game-changers, supported by talented professional staff. We offer higher education programs across all STEM disciplines at the Bachelor, Master and PhD levels, and ensure our students experience an education that is work-aligned and life-changing.

The College is renowned for its exemplary research in many STEM areas including advanced manufacturing and design; computing technologies; health innovation and translational medicine; nano materials and devices; and sustainable systems. Our brilliant researchers attract funding from government and industry sources.

Industry is at the heart of what we do. It ensures our research has real world impact, and our students are truly work-ready. Under the leadership of DVC STEM College & Vice President, Digital Innovation, we have established new hubs of industry-connected digital innovation and endeavour and are engaging with global STEM organisations at scale.

Our diversity and shared values empower our work, and we are proud of the College's inclusive, caring culture. We offer a safe, dynamic work environment, and support every member of our community to achieve their potential. The College appointed Victoria's first ever Dean of STEM, Diversity & Inclusion in 2020, and this role drives gender equity, diversity and inclusion strategies across the College.

STEM College employs 1,000 staff who deliver onshore and offshore programs to approximately 20,000 students.

We are here to positively impact the world and create the next generation of STEM leaders. <a href="https://www.rmit.edu.au/seh">www.rmit.edu.au/seh</a>

### **School of Health and Biomedical Sciences**

The School of Health and Biomedical Sciences comprises three Academic areas:

- Clinical SciencesHealth Sciences
- Medical Sciences

Primarily based at the RMIT Bundoora campus, we undertake teaching and research across the disciplines of: Biomedical Science, Laboratory Medicine, Medical Radiations, Nursing, Osteopathy, Chiropractic, Chinese Medicine, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Science, Physiotherapy and Psychology.

The Osteopathy discipline has a proud history at RMIT University, first established in 1985. RMIT's osteopathy degree was the first of its kind in Australia and has since delivered high-quality osteopathy education preparing graduates ready for work. Since its inception, RMIT Osteopathy has developed a reputation for training contemporary practitioners that balance theoretical knowledge and practical skills with positive personal qualities. The Osteopathy program utilise Work Integrated Learning as an intrinsic part of their teaching either within partner industries or through the University's state of the art student led clinical facility located in Bundoora.

The School's research was ranked as well above world standard in clinical science, complementary and alternative medicine, medical physiology, microbiology and pharmacology & pharmaceutical sciences, and above world standard in psychology, public health & health service and medical & health sciences. We have a strategic focus on chronic disease and integrative health care with globally distinctive research strengths in respiratory health, neuroinflammation, translational immunology and infection, cancer diagnostics and therapeutics, and cross-cutting themes of: Lifestyle Medicine, Digital Health, Indigenous Health, Ageing in Health & Disease, and

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Medical Devices, Diagnostics and Prognostics. Research and Learning and Teaching innovation within the School is supported by a world class simulated hospital, digital human anatomy facility, state-of-the-art equipment and fully equipped laboratories and medical radiations facilities as well as a significant number of national and international partners

### **Position Summary**

The Senior Lecturer in Osteopathy will contribute to the teaching and research efforts of the School, focused within the Osteopathy discipline. You will make a significant contribution to the delivery of programs and to be actively involved in research, consulting and other professional activities.

As the Senior Lecturer in Osteopathy you will develop, engage in and lead high quality research projects, that are aligned with the University's research focus areas, to achieve success in attracting research funding and to produce high quality outputs. You will have an important research leadership role in embedding your research expertise into the life of the School and will be required to develop high-quality, productivity-driven networks across RMIT and with local, national and global, internal and external partners.

### **Reporting Line**

Reports to: Assistant Associate Dean, Osteopathy

# **Organisational Accountabilities**

RMIT University is committed to the health, safety and wellbeing of its staff. RMIT and its staff must comply with a range of statutory requirements, including equal opportunity, occupational health and safety, privacy and trade practice. RMIT also expects staff to comply with its policy and procedures, which relate to statutory requirements and our ways of working.

Appointees are accountable for completing training on these matters and ensuring their knowledge and the knowledge of their staff is up to date.

#### **Key Accountabilities**

- Make original contributions in teaching and/or scholarship which expand knowledge or practice within the discipline including designing, conducting and moderating assessment; implementing improvements informed by course evaluation activities and student feedback.
- 2. Conduct and lead high quality research, recognised at the national level: developing highly successful research teams; managing research projects and programs within timelines and budget and ensuring compliance with quality and reporting requirements; regularly publishing research results in high quality outlets as lead author and in collaboration with other researchers; identifying appropriate funding sources and prepare successful external research funding submissions; supervising higher degree by research candidates.
- 3. Participate in School and College strategy development and governance and make a significant contribution to administration activities of an organisational unit or an interdisciplinary area at undergraduate, honours and postgraduate level, which may include program management of a large award program or a number of smaller award programs.

#### **Key Selection Criteria**

- Demonstrated ability to coordinate large courses and prepare and deliver programs at undergraduate and
  post-graduate levels, including high quality curriculum and program materials and ability to implement
  innovative approaches to student-centred learning and quality improvement.
- 2. Ability to manage a large program or a number of small programs.
- Demonstrated ability to support student issues related to effective learning.

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- 4. Emerging nationally recognised research track record including substantial record of research outputs in high quality outlets.
- 5. Experience in research leadership with the ability to build and develop collaborative research teams, mentor academic staff to deliver high quality outcomes, attract and secure external research funding to sustain research effort and manage funded research projects including complex budgets and reporting requirements.
- 6. Extensive experience in supervising higher degree by research candidates to maximise research performance.
- 7. Demonstrated ability to manage academic program teams, supporting scholarly development of less experienced academic staff.
- 8. Demonstrated professional practice within the previous five years.
- 9. Demonstrated high level of interpersonal, communication and negotiating skills including the ability to consult with senior executives, external bodies, produce executive reports, negotiate agreed directions, outcomes and targets within a collaborative environment.

### Qualifications

# Mandatory:

1. PhD or equivalent 1 in relevant field.

Registered with Ahpra as an Osteopath or eligible to register.

Note: Appointment to this position is subject to passing a Working with Children Check and other checks as required by the specific role. Maintaining a valid Working With Children Check is a condition of employment at RMIT.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Equivalence is defined in the exemption criteria at **Appointment of staff without Doctoral qualifications** instruction