



**INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION, TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP
SCOTTISH SENSORY CENTRE**

**TEACHERS OF DEAF CHILDREN: EDUCATION CPD ORGANISER (SECONDMENT)
(Fixed term, Part-time)**

We invite applications from qualified teachers of the deaf with relevant classroom experience of deaf children for the **seconded** post of Deaf Education CPD Organiser. This part-time, one day a week secondment during school term time will contribute to the work of the Scottish Sensory Centre (SSC).

The main role of the CPD Organiser will be to help organise Career-Long Professional Learning (CLPL) training for teachers of deaf children in Scotland and other education practitioners, and to strengthen links between the SSC and education practitioners involved with deaf children and young people.

The successful applicant should be available to take up the post as soon as possible. The post is available until 31st March 2018 in the first instance.

For informal enquiries/discussion interested candidates may contact:

Professor John Ravenscroft

Co-ordinator

Scottish Sensory Centre

0131 651 6501

0131 651 6181 (direct line)

Email: john.ravenscroft@ed.ac.uk.

Skype: (video calls can be organised by arrangement).

NB: Before applying formally all candidates should have the approval of their employing authority to undertake this role.

Closing date for applications is: Friday 24th March 2017

Interview date: Friday 21st April 2017



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**PARTICULARS OF POST
DEAF EDUCATION CPD ORGANISER (SECONDMENT)
(Fixed term, Part-time)**

Applications are invited for the secondment: Deaf Education CPD organiser. This part-time, one day a week secondment during school term time will contribute to the work of the Scottish Sensory Centre (SSC).

The Scottish Sensory Centre (SSC) is funded by the Scottish Government through the Additional Support for Learning Division and the University of Edinburgh. The Centre is one of several national centres within the Institute of Education, Teaching and Leadership at the Moray House School of Education and has been based at the Holyrood Campus, now part of the University of Edinburgh, since 1991.

The SSC promotes innovation and good practice in the education of deaf, visually impaired, and deafblind pupils and students in Scotland. The Centre collaborates with all those interested in education (including deaf, visually impaired, and deafblind pupils, their parents and voluntary organisations) and provides high quality career professional development and knowledge exchange. An annual programme of Career-Long Professional Learning (CLPL) training courses cover issues in the education of deaf, visually impaired, and deafblind pupils and is supported by professional expertise and relevant research from within the University of Edinburgh as well as outside it. The SSC website (www.ssc.education.ed.ac.uk) and specialist library support CPD and research with additional reading and detailed information on a range of topics relating to deafness, visual impairment and education.

The SSC is a multidisciplinary team. Individuals have specific roles but they also support each other in the running of the Centre (“all hands on deck” environment).

The main responsibilities of this post holder are:

1. To organise Career-Long Professional Learning (CLPL) training for teachers of deaf children, class teachers and support staff in Scotland and other education practitioners.
2. To offer professional expertise through teaching and guidance on deaf education seminars within the SSC’s CLPL programme of courses.
2. To strengthen links between the SSC and those involved in the education of deaf children and young people.

The successful applicant should be available to take up the post as soon as possible after the interview process.

The Duties of the Post

The successful applicant will be expected to undertake the following duties:

- Organise CLPL opportunities for teachers, classroom assistants and others involved in the education of deaf children and young people. These events may be held at the SSC or other venues across Scotland.
- Attend and introduce the training sessions, and produce evaluation reports.
- Conduct Needs Analysis from practitioners what future CLPL training they want.
- Work closely with the Co-ordinator of the SSC and other SSC staff.

Requirements of the Successful Applicant

The successful applicant will display the following characteristics:

- (a) be a qualified teacher of deaf children with relevant classroom experience;
- (b) present a high level of credibility amongst practitioners in the field of deaf education;
- (c) be well-organised and demonstrate a capacity for hard work with good communication skills;
- (d) ability to function supportively as a member of a team and to use his/her own initiative;
- (e) show a personal commitment to CLPL and be able to enthuse colleagues about it;
- (f) have good computer skills, ability to use email and an interest in distance learning.

Salary and Benefits

This seconded part-time post, is offered for one day per week, during school term time, on a fixed term basis initially until 31st March 2018.

The SSC is funded by Scottish Government through the Additional Support for Learning Division and the University of Edinburgh and the current grant is due to finish on 31st March, 2018. An application for further funding will be made. It is hoped that, subject to funding, the post will continue through to 2019.

Seconded staff retain the terms and conditions of their current employers with whom the University will enter into a financial arrangement concerning salary costs.

Application Procedure

Applications for this post should include:

- an up-to-date CV;
- a one-page statement of how you would contribute to the work of the SSC in the relevant area;
- addresses and email addresses of 3 referees who can be contacted immediately. (Please include fax numbers and email addresses for referees if possible).

For informal enquiries/discussion interested candidates may contact Professor John Ravenscroft, Co-ordinator, Scottish Sensory Centre, 0131 651 6501 or 0131 651 6181 john.ravenscroft@ed.ac.uk

Applications should be sent by **24th March 2017** to **Ruth Simpson**, Administrator, Scottish Sensory Centre [ruth.simpson@ed.ac.uk].

General information about the SSC can be found at www.ssc.education.ed.ac.uk and for more information about Moray House School of Education go to www.ed.ac.uk/education.

Holding a current enhanced disclosure certificate will be a condition of appointment.