

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Precision Machinist
Department / Unit:	Physics Department – Mechanical Workshop
Job type	Full-Time, Permanent, Professional Services
Grade:	RHUL 6
Accountable to:	Technical Operations Manager
Accountable for:	None
Purpose of the Post	

The Physics Department is part of the School of Engineering, Physical and Mathematical Sciences (EPMS). This role will be part of the Technical team that supports the research and teaching in the department.

The Precision Machinist will provide support across a number of research groups and the teaching laboratory.

Key Tasks

- 1. Construct and develop a range of specialised equipment and components to support cutting edge research projects. A high degree of accuracy is essential, using the full range of workshop machines, skills, software and techniques. The Precision Machinist will be required to work closely with an originator of a design, using detailed drawings or basic sketches and verbal instructions.
- 2. Give advice on design, materials and methods where appropriate.
- 3. Provide technical support to Academic staff, research assistants and postgraduate students. To plan, advise and liaise with academic and research staff where appropriate.
- 4. To draw up specifications for custom built equipment.
- 5. To support the design, construction, development, installation and operation of research apparatus.
- 6. Ensure compliance with health and safety regulations.
- 7. Continuous professional development, learning new skills and techniques with CAD software and workshop machinery.

Other Duties

The duties listed are not exhaustive and may be varied from time to time as dictated by the changing needs of the University.

The post holder will be expected to undertake other duties as appropriate and as requested by their manager, including providing appropriate cover in cases of staff absence or vacancies.

The post holder may be required to work at any of the locations at which the business of Royal Holloway is conducted.

Internal and external relationships

The post holder will be required to work closely with all colleagues within the Physics department and may be required to liaise with other staff in the EPMS School from time to time.



PERSON SPECIFICATION

Details on the qualifications, experience, skills, knowledge and abilities that are needed to fulfil this role are set out below.

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Department: Physics

	Essential	Desirable	Tested by (Application Form, Interview, Test)
Knowledge, Education, Qualifications and Training			
City and Guilds or equivalent in Mechanical Engineering	х		App Form
Knowledge of health and safety procedures relevant to this post		х	App form/Interview
Skills and/or Abilities			
Ability to use a wide range of hand operated machinery, including lathes, milling machines etc	х		App Form/Interview
Ability to work with a variety of materials and techniques	Х		App Form/Interview
Ability to develop solutions from limited information	х		App Form/Interview
Ability to undertake tasks that require a high level of attention to detail and accuracy	х		Test
Ability to apply creative problem-solving techniques in machining	х		App Form/Interview
Ability to work from sketches and consultations	х		App form/Interview
Ability to communicate at a high level both orally and in writing	х		App Form/Interview
Ability to interact effectively with people at all levels within the department	×		App form/Interview
Good organisational skills and ability to work prioritise workload	х		App form/Interview
Experience			
Experience in precision engineering and/or instrument making	Х		App form/Interview
Experience of CNC operation and programming		х	App Form/Interview
TIG or arc welding, brazing and soldering		Х	App form/Interview
Experience of a research environment workshop		Х	App form/Interview

Other requirements					
Committed to personal development and training courses	х	x	App Form/Interview		
Willingness to work after normal hours on some occasions			App Form/Interview		
Commitment to equality, diversity, and inclusion	Х				