

Senior Policy Manager

Location – London/Flexible

Salary - £50K per annum plus benefits

WorldSkills UK is an independent charity and a partnership between employers, education and governments. Together, we are using international best practice to raise standards in apprenticeships and technical education so more young people and employers succeed.

We have a passionate, dedicated and supportive staff team who work together to improve the quality of apprenticeships and technical education for the benefit of all young people and employers and you can see our impact in the following statistics:

- In the last year over 150,000 young people engaged with us
- We had a media circulation of 104m in 2020-2021
- 95% of FE colleges engaged with our work
- 82% of young people said they were inspired by our programmes

We are now looking for a new Senior Policy Manager. This is an exciting new role and opportunity at WorldSkills UK. As part of our External Affairs Team, the Senior Policy Manager will play a critical role in delivering our policy content and research programme to stimulate demand for high-quality skills across the education and training system and across the economy.

These insights will provide a unique contribution to the development of high-quality technical education and apprenticeships in the UK, informing skills policy and practice across UK skills systems and helping to inform the direction of WorldSkills UK's careers and skills development programmes. The Senior Policy Manager will be responsible for the four key areas of work, including delivering the policy research element of WorldSkills UK's annual plan; developing engaging policy content to help communicate our key messages to external stakeholders; keeping on top of skills and economic policy developments across the four nations of the UK and developing policy content to help deliver our policy events programme.

The Role:

- Managing high-profile research projects in line with WorldSkills UK's ambition to promote high-quality technical education and apprenticeships
- Developing engaging policy content to help communicate key messages from our insights to our external stakeholders
- Analysing skills and economic policy developments across the four nations of the UK
- Developing policy content to help deliver our policy events programme

The Person:

- Recent experience of working in skills and/or economic policy
- Experience in leading policy campaigns
- Ability to scope and manage complex policy research projects
- Ability to write clear and concise policy content for a variety of audiences
- Able to think creatively and solve problems whilst being an excellent team player with a collaborative approach to work.

Full details of responsibilities and the person specification required can be found in the link below.

Please apply by visiting www.thewlisgraham.com/assignment-briefings and following the instructions in the candidate brief quoting reference U0901. The closing date is 5pm on 3 November.

For a confidential conversation with Sarah Thewlis or for any other information please email applications@thewlisgraham.com