

# Vacancy

### Research Assistant (part time), LSE Middle East Centre

The LSE Middle East Centre seeks a part-time Research Assistant to provide efficient and proactive support in desktop research, interview analysis and report writing for the research project "Roads as Tools for (Dis)connecting Cities and Neighbourhoods: a Socio-spatial Study of Abu Dhabi", co-led by Principal Investigator Alexandra Gomes. This post will be based at the LSE Middle East Centre and will report to Kendall Livingston, Projects Coordinator.

Start Date: January 2022 End Date: July 2022

**Hours:** approximately 5 hours/week **Pay:** £20.16 per hour (Band 5 Step 18)

### Responsibilities

- Undertaking data collection and desktop research
- Assist in conducting interviews
- Transcription and analysis of 10+ hours of qualitative interviews
- Conducting literature reviews to contextualise study findings
- · Manage the systematising, storage and archiving of the data
- Assist in communicating research findings through meetings, seminars, etc.
- Assist in producing reports and peer-reviewed publications
- Managing own research and activities, with guidance
- Supporting team members to reach common goals

## **Person Specification**

- Master's degree in a relevant discipline (or near completion), in areas relevant to the research (e.g. urban planning, urban sociology, urban policy) (E)
- Ability to conduct data collection and basic data analysis using MS Excel (E)
- Ability to transcribe interviews (E)
- Experience coding and analysing qualitative interviews using NVivo (E)
- Ability to carry out desktop research in Arabic (D)
- Strong writing, administration and organisational skills
- Interest in urban studies
- Creative thinker with strong attention to detail
- Works well as part of the team

#### Closing date for applications: Thursday, 2 December 2021(23.59 UK time)

To apply, please send a CV and short covering letter to Kendall Livingston, Projects Coordinator, LSE Middle East Centre: k.livingston@lse.ac.uk.

All candidates must have the right to work in the UK at the time of application and are asked to confirm this in their covering letter.

Interviews will be held on Monday, 13 December 2021 and conducted online.