

Job Title: L'Oréal Young Scientist Centre (YSC) Laboratory
Technician

Date: January 2022

Accountable to: Young Scientist Centre (YSC) Manager

Location: Albemarle St, London W1

Contract type: Permanent, full time, 35 hours

Salary: £26,063 per annum increasing to £26,845 pa on
passing probation

Job Purpose

The role will initially focus on providing technical assistance to the LYSC team, but the post holder will be encouraged to get more involved in presenting and content development. They will also have the opportunity to get involved in the Ri's wider science communication programmes, including the family, schools and public programmes as well as the Christmas Lectures.

Main duties of the role

- Help deliver inspiring and interactive workshops to children and young people in the Ri L'Oréal Young Scientist Centre (YSC), to inspire attendees and engage them in a lifelong journey with science.
- Work alongside the YSC Presenter, to ensure the timely set up and take down of all the equipment needed for the experiments in the YSC. Prepare chemical solutions and biological reagents for workshops as required.
- Maintain the cleanliness of the YSC lab and check that all laboratory equipment and workshop consumables are in a useable state and at adequate stock levels to meet workshop demand.
- Regularly check the effective and safe working of laboratory equipment.
- Assist with the implementation of Ri health and safety procedures and risk assessments while working in the laboratory.
- Collaborate with other Ri teams to help deliver science content for live, virtual, and recorded events in line with the charitable outcomes of the Ri.

General responsibilities applicable to all staff

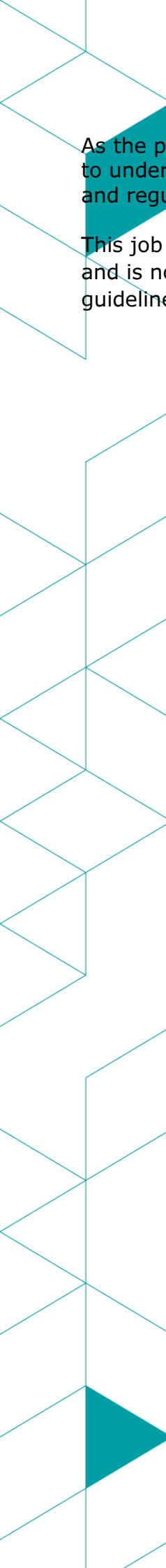
- Understand and support the vision, mission and aims of the Ri;
- Maintain awareness of your own and others' Health and Safety, in line with the Ri's Health and Safety policy;
- Adhere to and champion the Ri's policy and practices on Child Safeguarding.
- Comply with all Ri policies relating to the Data Protection Regulations 2018
- Encourage team working and effective communication with colleagues.
- Act as a representative of the Ri and deal with Ri customers, stakeholders and the public in a professional manner at all times.
- Comply with Ri financial policies and practices as applicable.
- Undertake other duties as may be reasonably requested of your post.

Skills, experience and knowledge	
Essential (E) Desirable (D)	
Enthusiasm for enriching the experimental experience of young people and for working with others to achieve that objective	E
Good practical laboratory skills	E
Experience in working with children and young people	E
Proactive, quick to learn and diligent, able to work on own initiative	E
A passion for science education	E
Experience of delivering engaging scientific education or learning in a formal or informal environment	D
Experience in working in a laboratory technician role in an educational environment	D
Knowledge of health and safety (including chemical safety) in a laboratory environment	D
An understanding of the Ri's mission and activities	D
Qualifications	
A-level, (Level 3) or an equivalent knowledge of science, engineering or similar discipline	E
Degree level education (in a scientific or educational discipline) or relevant lab-based experience	D
Personal Attributes	
Excellent interpersonal skills with proven ability to work collaboratively and independently	E
Able to find pragmatic solutions, seek improvements, and adapt to changing situations	E
Able to present information, verbally and in writing, in a clear and concise manner, with attention to detail	E
Positive "can do" attitude and willingness to support others	E
Ability to multi-task and work in a fast-paced environment.	E

Notes:

As part of the role the successful applicant will be expected to receive and implement training in science communication, working towards being able to lead selected LYSC workshops & science demonstrations for young people and to develop activities for our family events.

The role will involve some travel and overnight stays including occasional weekends.



As the position involves working with young people, the post holder will be required to undergo an Enhanced DBS clearance and related checks as mandated by UK laws and regulations.

This job description will be subject to review in the light of changing circumstances and is not intended to be rigid or inflexible but should be regarded as providing guidelines and accountabilities within which the individual works.