

NORWICH CLIMATE COMMISSION COORDINATOR (0.2FTE)

TYNDALL CENTRE FOR

CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH

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WHAT MAKES UEA SO SPECIAL?

The University of East Anglia is a publicly funded major UK research and teaching university. It was built to embody a radical new vision for higher education, where interdisciplinarity is crucial and excellence in both research and teaching is valued. UEA consistently ranks within the top quarter of universities in the UK for the quality of research and teaching.

As a major regional employer and cultural centre, we take our regional civic responsibilities very seriously and have kept our sights on the people and place we call home. In fact, we launched our University Civic Charter in October 2023; created from in-depth community engagement, renewing our commitment to the region as part of our 60th anniversary.

There are many things which make UEA special, not least of which is the community of staff and students that work and study here. UEA includes three Nobel prize winners, including Sir Paul Nurse and Sir Michael Houghton, and many fellows of the Royal Society and British Academy amongst our alumni and current staff.

Our campus is home to Sir Denys Lasdun's iconic brutalist architecture set in hundreds of acres of beautiful country park that includes a large broad (lake). In the spirit of Lasdun's ambition to inspire an anatomy of ideas, today, UEA is tackling some of the key challenges of the changing world. UEA's research combines disciplines and breaks new boundaries across its priority research themes of climate, creative and health.

UEA is the place where global warming was first documented. Since the 1970s, UEA's Climatic Research Unit, and more recently Tyndall Centre for Climate Change (Headquarters hosted at UEA), have played a pivotal role in developing temperature records and climate models, contributing to the understanding of climate change, and informing global policy. Many **UEA scientists, including Professors Corinne** Le Quere, Rachel Warren, Robert Nicholls and Timothy Osborn, have played significant roles in the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC), which was jointly awarded the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize for its efforts to increase public knowledge of anthropogenic climate change. Environmental Science and Global Studies at UEA continue to be a major powerhouse for research and teaching.

UEA is widely regarded as a pioneer in creative writing, having established the UK's first Creative Writing Masters programme in 1970. This renowned programme has since attracted and produced numerous successful writers, including Booker Prize winners such as lan McEwan and Anne Enright, and Nobel Prize Winner Kazuo Ishiguro. In recent years, UEA academics have played a pivotal role in the discovery and presentation of the Gloucester Royal shipwreck (Norfolk's Mary Rose). Our iconic Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts is a major museum and arts research facility.



Health research at UEA not only embraces the Faculty of Medicine and Health but draws in research from both social and natural sciences. Research under this theme has made major contributions in the fields of healthy ageing, epidemiology and involving citizens (via our innovative Citizens' Academy) in improving health care outcomes. This theme benefits from close association with the other major research institutes on the Norwich Research Park; notably the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital and the Quadram Institute. The Norwich Cancer Research Network, and Norfolk Institute for Healthy Ageing, are examples of key mechanisms for delivery of real impact from health research at UEA.

UEA has been a major success over the last 60 years and looks forward with confidence to the next 60 years.

For an informal discussion about the post please contact Asher Minns via a.minns@ uea.ac.uk or +44 7880 547843.

UEA is part of the Norwich Research Park

Norwich Research Park (NRP) membership locates UEA in one of the largest concentrations of research institutes in the whole of Europe – four independent internationally-renowned research institutes: John Innes Centre, Quadram Institute, Earlham Institute and The Sainsbury Laboratory; with the University of East Anglia and Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, supported and funded by The John Innes Foundation, The Gatsby Foundation, and UKRI Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council.

The NRP provides an ideal environment for collaborative use of infrastructure and facilities, with a single portal for academics and businesses to access the specialist facilities across the Park.

The Enterprise Centre is a regional business, knowledge and innovation hub, with workspace provision and supports over 80 businesses working alongside UEA staff and students in a dynamic and vibrant entrepreneurial community. On the wider NRP, there are dedicated laboratory and office spaces in the Innovation Centre and Centrum hosting over 600 staff within a total of 115 businesses and spinouts.



OUR BENEFITS

UEA offers a fantastic benefits package for staff. We recognise all our staff have different priorities and lifestyles so we are continually reviewing our offering to ensure there are benefits which suit everyone. Current benefits include:



Further information can be found on our **<u>Staff Benefits page</u>**.

THE ROLE

The Tyndall Centre for Climate Change at the University of East Anglia (UEA) is seeking a Norwich Climate Commission Coordinator 0.2fte.

The Norwich Climate Commission is an independent advisory body set up to bring actors from the public, private and third sectors together to support, guide and track the impact of ambitious climate change and sustainability actions across Norwich. Asher Minns, Executive Director of the Tyndall Centre, is the founding Chair.

This is a good opportunity for someone who seeks a public engagement and project management role that can be fitted around their other commitments.

ROLE SUMMARY

Your role is to support the effective running of the Norwich Climate Commission; citizen volunteers with relevant expertise who help steer, support and scrutinise Norwich's journey to climate action and sustainability. You will organise a series of public events in support of the commissioners and the commission objectives, and prepare Briefing Notes and similar products on Norwich-related climate and sustainability topics. You will also support the running and administration of the commission.

You will have full responsibility for delivering events and co-ordinating resources for those events and need to work to your own initiative, while steered by Asher Minns and other Climate Commissioners.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Designing and delivering public events on topics that support the Norwich Climate Commission initiatives and objectives.
- Taking responsibility for event organisation from conception to completion, including networking with internal and external stakeholders to maximise impact.
- Prepare Briefing Notes and similar products on Norwich-related climate and sustainability topic.
- Providing regular reporting on engagement, progress and impact of activities to the Commission, including report writing, presenting data, and providing briefings to key stakeholders.
- Taking responsibility for promoting and marketing public events, including producing content for marketing materials and using appropriate channels to achieve engagement with target audiences.
- Supporting the administration and promotion of the Programme within relevant areas of the University and wider community.

This is a great opportunity for someone who seeks a part-time role in education and schools, public engagement, and project administration, that can be fitted around other commitments.

THE PERSON

EXPERIENCE, EDUCATION & TRAINING

- Background and/or qualifications in climate, sustainability, marketing, public affairs, or similar. Ideally with a degree or equivalent experience. (E)
- Proven experience of writing online content and briefing materials. (E)
- Experience of managing projects from conception to completion, with attention to detail. (E)
- Experience in data analysis and presentation. (E)
- Experience in successfully engaging publics with environment or other evidence-based knowledge. (E)

SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE

- IT skills including Microsoft Office and social media platforms. (E)
- Excellent communication skills, written, verbal and visual. (E)
- Project management skills. (E)
- Understanding of sustainability topics including web content and social media. (E)

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

- Willingness to learn new skills and approaches as needed, and apply own ideas and approaches to solve problems. (E)
- Willingness to be flexible in the nature of the role. (E)
- Ability to use own initiative and resolve problems. (E)
- Professional 'can do' attitude. (E)
- Excellent organisational and time management skills. (E)
- Ability to work flexibly as some events are outof-office hours. (E)

Essential Requirements (E) are those, without which, a candidate would not be able to do the job.

Desirable Requirements (D) are those which would be useful for the post holder to possess and will be considered when more than one applicant meets the essential requirements.

FURTHER INFORMATION

This part-time (0.2FTE) post is available from 1 June 2025 on a fixed term basis for up to 24 months. The role is based on campus, but precise working days are flexible.

Salary will be £30,805 to £37,174 per annum, pro rata on Grade 6 on the single salary spine.

Place of Work - The University is strongly committed to providing an excellent student experience and research environment, and it is expected that all staff will be available on campus to carry out their duties during their working week in support of these goals.

This vacancy is not eligible for sponsorship. The successful candidate must hold or obtain permission to work in the UK, which would allow them to take up this post.

The post is superannuable under the Group Personal Pension and there is an annual holiday entitlement of 25 days plus statutory (8 days) and customary (6 days) holidays, pro rata for part-time. The University is committed to creating an environment where the health, welfare and safety of all students and staff is of paramount importance. The University's Safeguarding Policy addresses both child protection and safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults within the work of the University. Appointment will be subject to satisfactory pre-employment checks, which may include an Occupational Health assessment. Information on the benefits of working at UEA can be found at https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/working-at-uea.

If you require the information contained within this candidate brochure in a different format please email staff.recruitment@uea.ac.uk

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for this vacancy, please follow the online instructions at: <u>https://vacancies.uea.ac.uk</u>

The closing date for this role is 11:59pm on 23 May 2025.

It is anticipated that interviews will take place on **12 June 2025** and we will inform you of the outcome of your application prior to this date.

Candidates should note that travel and incidental expenses incurred in attending an in-person interview will not be reimbursed.

THE TYNDALL CENTRE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH

The Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research was founded in 2000 to conduct high quality and integrated climate change research in support of UK and international climate policy. The Tyndall Centre pioneers integrated and interdisciplinary research, contributing both to the theory and practice of sustainable solutions to the challenge of climate change. The Tyndall Centre's expertise encompasses the scientific, engineering, social science and economic communities. The Tyndall Centre has progressed significantly the science of emission reduction, scenarios, impacts, integrated modelling at global and city scale, adaptation and international equity. UEA is the Headquarters of the Tyndall Centre (www. tyndall.ac.uk), which is a partnership of Institutes in the Universities of Cardiff, Manchester and Newcastle and includes a growing group of Affiliated Researchers based at other institutions.

The Tyndall Centre has a high international and policy profile and engages in the UK and internationally with all levels of government, business, industry and civic society. Tyndall professors have acted as Advisers for the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), Members of the Climate Change Committee and Adaptation Sub Committee, appeared and contributed to all major Parliamentary inquiries on issues around climate change, and authored all three Working Groups of the 4th, 5th and 6th Assessment reports of the IPCC. The Tyndall web site and twitter feed provide information on a range of research output and are widely access.



OUR VALUES

Shaped by staff, our UEA values represent a core set of standards for how we behave as an employer, drive excellence in teaching, learning and research, and collaborate as an anchor institution in our local community.

From tackling global challenges, striving for student and staff success, and creating a vibrant inclusive environment, our values are what unite us.

AMBITION
COLLABORATION
EMPOWERMENT
RESPECT





AMBITION

We are ambitious for our future success.

We are forward-thinking and brave in our approach and decisions. We make space for innovation and creativity, seizing opportunities that are responsible and sustainable. We are ambitious for the advancement of education and research.

COLLABORATION

We are collaborative in our approach.

We work together with shared purpose. We build connections, share ideas and develop new networks. We champion our regional, national and global relationships and demonstrate that together we can achieve greater goals and positively influence the world around us.



EMPOWERMENT

We empower ourselves and each other.

We develop ourselves and others, trusting people to make decisions based on their expertise and knowledge. We continually improve systems and processes to support us in working in an agile and efficient way.



RESPECT

We respect each other.

We treat everyone with respect and dignity. We value diversity and foster a community where people can express different thoughts and views. We are open to challenge, so we can learn and improve. We encourage a positive, inclusive environment where everyone has opportunities to fulfil their potential.

ACCOLADES

- Queen's Anniversary Prizes for Higher and Further Education have been awarded to UEA for international development studies (2009), creative writing (2011) and environmental sciences (2017). Notable alumni include Sir Paul Nurse (1973, Nobel Prize for Medicine 2001), Kazuo Ishiguro (1980, Nobel Prize for Literature 2017), Michael Houghton (1972, Nobel Prize for Medicine 2020) and Sarah Gilbert (1983) who led the Oxford University team to develop a COVID-19 vaccine, approved in 2020.
- Our Doctoral College, established in 2018, hosts six Doctoral Training Partnerships and integrates Faculty and School provision for 1600 Postgraduate Research Students (including those from across the Norwich Research Park), enabling collaboration and innovation.
- We recognise our global impact and were one of the first universities to declare a climate and biodiversity emergency in June 2019. Our sustainable campus, including over 50 acres of environmentally valuable parkland, is constantly evolving with ambitions to be 100% net zero by 2045 or sooner.
- UEA is a University of Sanctuary, an accreditation given to universities that show an ongoing commitment to creating a welcoming culture of inclusivity and awareness.
- UEA was awarded the Silver Athena SWAN Award in 2019, and all our Schools hold awards at Bronze or Silver.

A vibrant place to study, learn and work, UEA is a very special place.



A SUSTAINABLE UNIVERSITY

At UEA, we are now working to create a university that will be even better in the future, and we are working to achieve net zero carbon by 2045 (or earlier). Our Sustainable Ways vision is one of a resilient university – where consumption is efficient and selfgenerated energy supports low carbon goals, supported by a vibrant community of world-leading researchers and inspired graduates.

At a basic level, our sustainable development means that we try to balance the 'three pillars' of environmental, economic and social elements.

We challenge our environmental impact through on-site energy generation and a district heating and cooling network, reducing our reliance on grid electricity and therefore fossil fuels. We promote and use recycled and 'eco' products such as biological cleaning materials. We champion local suppliers and ethical causes, including Fairtrade and vegan products. We seek to ensure value for money in a holistic, whole-life costing sense in our new buildings and procurement contracts.

OUR INITIATIVES

Central campaigns, such as holiday shut-downs or awareness day events, support a whole-University approach to energy saving and other initiatives.

Follow us on Twitter @SustainableUEA



OUR CAMPUS

UEA is based on a campus that provides top quality academic, social and cultural facilities to over 17,000 students.

Although located in 320 acres of rolling parkland, virtually no part of the campus is more than a few minutes' walk from anywhere else, so everything is close at hand – the library, nursery, health centre, supermarket (incorporating a post office), banking facilities and restaurants. Amongst the striking buildings is the UEA's Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts, which contains the Robert and Lisa Sainsbury Collection – one of the greatest art collections formed in Europe during the 20th Century.

The University has invested in new learning and teaching and research spaces, including a celebrated new Enterprise Centre that underpins its commitment to promoting student enterprise and entrepreneurship.

Sport and Recreation plays a major part in the life of the University of East Anglia, centred around the major Sportspark facility which is one of the most successful community sport facilities in the UK. This accessible and affordable facility provides a diverse range of activities, and incorporates a 50m Olympic size swimming pool, indoor climbing wall, coaching resource centre and sports injury clinic.



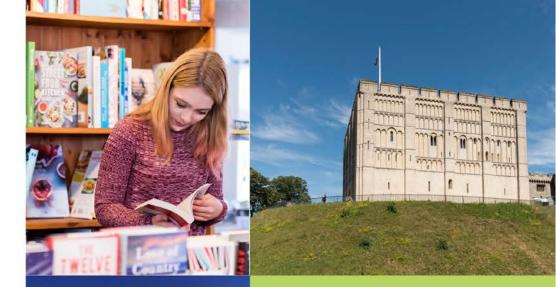
NORWICH A CITY OF STORIES

The city's motto is 'A fine city' and its strong cultural heritage has seen Norwich maintain the best of its historical character whilst developing to become one of the most vibrant and attractive cities in Europe. Norwich offers miles of riverside walks and cycle ways, and a unique collection of 1930's parks. The city is surrounded by beautiful countryside and within easy reach of the stunning Norfolk coast.

Norwich is a UNESCO World city of Literature, the first in the UK, as well as being one of the newly named Tech Cities recognising the growth of digital businesses in the region. The most prominent high-rise building, apart from the castle, is the magnificent 11th century cathedral, which still dominates the skyline. The city's medieval centre of cobbled streets remains largely intact, but there is still space for modern buildings such as the city's centrepiece, the Forum, which is a striking piece of contemporary architecture. The glass front overlooks the colourful open-air market (one of the largest in the country) and reflects the city in all its diversity.

The city is consistently rated as one of the top ten shopping venues in the UK. Norfolk and Suffolk attract thousands of visitors each summer. The famous Norfolk Broads are among the most important wetlands in Europe and a haven for rare plants, wildlife and insects. The Broads attract holidaymakers who come to navigate the intricate natural network of waterways formed by the Rivers Bure, Yare and Waveney and their tributaries.

For further information about UEA's excellent facilities, staff benefits, picturesque campus and the UEA working environment, please visit the 'Careers at UEA' microsite <u>https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/working-at-uea</u>. Additional information about living and working in the city of Norwich can be found at <u>https://www.workinnorwich.co.uk/</u>



If there is another city in the United Kingdom with a school of painters named after it, a matchless modern art gallery, a university with a reputation for literary excellence which can boast Booker Prizewinning alumni, one of the grandest Romanesque cathedrals in the world, an extraordinary new state-of-the-art public library then I have yet to hear of it. Norwich is a fine city. None finer.

STEPHEN FRY



LOCATION

Some cities you've heard of, others you have to discover. Norwich is one of the most beautiful, modern historic cities in Britain. It's a city that celebrates the independent, stimulates creativity, promotes change and encourages diversity.

UEA is a campus university located 3 miles from the centre of Norwich. Situated in the heart of Norfolk, which means it's an ideal location to explore Norwich and beyond.

BY RAIL

LONDON • 2 HOURS CAMBRIDGE • 1 HR 15 MINS BIRMINGHAM • 4 HOURS Many European cities (including Paris and Amsterdam) easily accessible by train

BY ROAD

KINGS LYNN • 1 HOUR CROMER • 45 MINUTES SOUTHWOLD • 1 HOUR

BY AIR

NORWICH AIRPORT • 20 MINUTES STANSTED AIRPORT • 2 HOURS London is a major airline hub and all main international destinations are easily accessible



An internationally renowned university, UEA is ranked in the UK Top 25 (Complete University Guide 2025), UK Top 30 (The Mail 2025) and the World Top 100 (Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2024), where it ranks in the UK Top 20 for research quality (Times Higher Education Rankings for the Research Excellence Framework 2021) and World Top 20 for Health and Wellbeing (QS World University Rankings for Sustainability 2024), reflecting the international excellence of its research environment. The University holds UK Teaching Excellence Framework Silver status.

Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Wellbeing

The University is committed to diversifying its workforce and to the wellbeing of all our staff. For example, we already hold an Athena Swan Silver Institutional Award in recognition of our advancement towards gender equality. Further details on our broader Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Wellbeing work can be found on our <u>website</u>.

