

# AUDIT, RISK AND RESILIENCE COORDINATOR

Legal, Governance and Compliance

**Division** 

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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 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 Ian McEwan and Anne Enright, and Nobel Prize Winner Sir 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 Emma Black, Director of Legal, Governance and Compliance via Rebecca Phillips, Governance Administrator (rebecca.Phillips@uea.ac.uk)

# **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.



### THE ROLE

The primary purpose and function of the Audit, Risk and Resilience Coordinator is to work closely with and report to the Head of Risk and Resilience to design, develop, implement, and embed UEA's risk management and business continuity frameworks and support the effective delivery of Internal Audit. The role will enable the maturing of compliance activity across the University and the timely and prioritised reporting to the University on controls, weaknesses, vulnerabilities, solutions and opportunities.

#### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **RISK**

- Support the ongoing development, implementation and maintenance of the University's Risk Management Framework including assisting in risk identification, assessment, and mitigation processes.
- Assist the business in identifying, assessing and managing operational, strategic, and project risks.
- Support the business to maintain the operational risk registers and the annual refresh of the Strategic Risks.
- Monitor and report on key Corporate and Strategic risks, producing risk analysis and insights.
- Monitor and report on risk mitigation actions and controls ensuring timely updates and escalations where necessary.

#### **INTERNAL AUDIT**

 Act as the key business contact (for internal colleagues and external provider) for Internal Audit to support scoping, coordination and delivery of the University's Internal Audit programme.  Monitor and produce reports for the Executive Team on Internal Audit management actions.

#### **BUSINESS CONTINUITY**

- Support the development, review and testing of Business Continuity and Incident Response plans across the University.
- Assist in the development and implementation of Business Impact Assessments to identify critical University functions.
- Support the implementation and maintenance of Business Continuity Plans (BCPs).
- · Assist in scenario testing and simulation exercises.
- Maintain and update the University's Crisis and Emergency Response Plans.
- Support the University's emergency response framework.
- Support and engage in post-incident reviews following major disruptions.

#### **GENERAL**

- Maintain relevant documentation and templates ensuring accessibility and awareness across the University.
- Raise awareness and promote risk, audit and business continuity through workshops, training, guidance materials and direct support.
- Collaborate with colleagues across the University to foster a proactive and integrated approach to risk and resilience.
- Contribute to the preparation of reports and briefing for the Executive Team, Council, Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee and Senate.

#### THE ROLE (CONTINUED)

- Be a point of contact for the business in relation to Internal Audit, Risk Management and Business Continuity.
- Represent and/or deputise for the Head of Risk and Resilience as necessary.
- Support the Head of Risk and Resilience to deliver risk workshops and risk assessments across the business.
- Occasional out of hours work may be required for emergency planning/ testing activities.

This is not intended as an exhaustive list of duties or a restrictive definition of the post, but rather should be read as a guide to the main priorities and typical areas of activity of the post holder. These activities are subject to amendment over time as priorities and requirements evolve and as such it may be amended at any time by the line manager following discussion with the post holder.

#### **KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS:**

Director of Legal, Governance and Compliance, Head of Risk and Resilience Risk, ARAC Committee, Executive Team, Senior Leadership Teams, Faculty and Departmental Risk Champions, Legal Governance and Compliance Team.

### THE PERSON

## EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Educated to GCSE (including English and Maths) or A level (E)
- Experience of working in a data driven environment (E)
- Experience of probing data to produce reports and inform decision making (E)
- Proven ability to work independently and collaboratively (E)
- Ability to operate with a high degree of discretion, integrity and the ability to handle sensitive information (E)
- Ability to plan and prioritise workload to meet routine reporting deadlines (E)
- Knowledge of Risk Management Frameworks in a Higher Education or public sector setting (D)
- Experience of working in an audit or risk environment (D)
- Experience in facilitating workshops and training (D)
- Familiarity with regulatory compliance, governance or assurance processes (D)
- Audit or Risk Management qualification or a willingness to gain a qualification (D)

#### **SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE**

- Strong organisational and time management skills, and attention to detail (E)
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, with the ability to engage and influence diverse stakeholders and build strong relationships (E)
- Excellent IT skills, including a good knowledge of Microsoft SharePoint and Microsoft applications including Word, Excel, Teams and Outlook (E)
- Proficiency in using different IT systems with skills in being able to extract and report relevant information (E)
- Strong Data analysis and problem-solving skills
   (E)
- Ability to operate with a high degree of discretion, integrity and the ability to handle sensitive information (E)
- Good influencing and negotiation skills (E)
- Ability to provide high level Management Information and reports on progress (E)

#### **PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES**

- Ability to communicate complex information to non-technical audience in an accessible format (E)
- Willingness to undertake training and development opportunities (E)

#### **SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

 The ability to work flexibly, which may include hybrid working (on campus and home) and may include occasional work outside normal hours.

**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**

The post is available immediately on an indefinite full-time basis.

Salary will be £31,236 to £37,694 per annum 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. We have a hybrid-working policy which supports a mix of at home and on campus 'hybrid' working for many roles. For the majority of hybrid roles, the expectation is a minimum of 60% of working time will be spent physically present in the workplace.

The flexibility of the hybrid-working policy allows the possibility of some remote working, but it is the expectation that all appointments will be UK based, with any overseas working agreed in advance by exception only.

If successful you will be asked to show evidence of right to work in the UK prior to any formal offer being made. Non-British and non-Irish nationals entering the UK to undertake employment or who are currently in the UK will have to meet eligibility criteria under the points-based immigration system. The University may be able to provide sponsorship under the Skilled Worker route if relevant criteria are met. Please note, due to the complexities of the immigration system, Skilled Worker visa sponsorship is not guaranteed for every role. If you would like further information about whether this role is eligible for visa sponsorship, please contact staff.visacompliance@uea.ac.uk

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 <a href="https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/working-at-uea">https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/working-at-uea</a>.

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: <a href="https://vacancies.uea.ac.uk">https://vacancies.uea.ac.uk</a>

Please note the job advert for this post will close once we receive sufficient applications from suitable candidates. We therefore recommend you apply as soon as possible.

It is anticipated that interviews will take place on **22 October 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.

# **ABOUT THE DIVISION**

The Legal, Governance and Compliance division is newly formed and brings together the functions; Legal Services, Corporate Governance, Information Compliance, University Safety Services (incorporating Health & Safety, Risk Management and Business Continuity) and Student Discipline and Resolution.

The Division delivers organisation wide enabling functions with an ambition to create a central hub of institutional knowledge that intelligently connects the business with solution driven, proactive, risk aligned, quality advice and support to achieve the delivery of the University's vision and strategic objectives.





# **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

#### **OUR VALUES (CONTINUED)**



### **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 self-generated 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

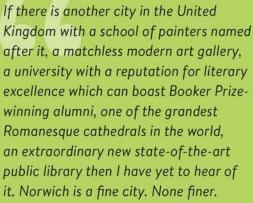
The city's motto is 'A fine city' and its strong cultural heritage has seen Norwich maintain the best of its historical character whilst developing to become one of the most vibrant and attractive cities in Europe. Norwich offers miles of riverside walks and cycle ways, and a unique collection of 1930's 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 <a href="https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/working-at-uea">https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/working-at-uea</a>. Additional information about living and working in the city of Norwich can be found at <a href="https://www.workinnorwich.co.uk/">https://www.workinnorwich.co.uk/</a>





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### 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

**NORWICH AIRPORT • 20 MINUTES** 

#### **BY AIR**

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 website.

