

Job Description

Job Title:	UCH Shoulder & Elbow Fellow University College Hospital 235 Euston Road London NW1 2BU
Grade:	Senior Registrar / Junior Consultant
Salary:	Fixed at £40,000 gross per annum to be paid in monthly instalments by University College Hospital through the Upper Limb Trust Fund.
Period:	Six months (extension to one year negotiable)
Managerially Responsible To:	Mr Carlos Cobiella
Clinically Accountable To:	Mr Carlos Cobiella

Job Summary

The UCH Shoulder & Elbow Fellowship is a clinically-based post and is intended to give candidates a wide exposure to current techniques in shoulder and elbow surgery. Fellows are trained in the management and treatment of all shoulder and elbow disorders, including rotator cuff disease, shoulder instability, shoulder and elbow arthritis, elbow fractures and instability and are exposed to the latest techniques of shoulder and elbow arthroscopy, open surgery and arthroplasty.

The Fellow will be working with two surgeons, Mr Carlos Cobiella and Mr Marcus Lee, who collaborate closely with musculoskeletal radiologists, anaesthetists and physiotherapists.

The post is based in an NHS hospital with some duties in private hospitals. Each individual consultant will be responsible for his own patients, but the Fellow will work for both consultants in both the clinic and the operating theatre (see timetable) and provide cover for shoulder patients on the wards during the working day. The candidate will be directly supervised by the consultant at all times when in clinic or theatre, but there is no formal on-call commitment.

Eligibility

The candidate must be medically qualified, ideally with higher qualifications in orthopaedic surgery and have obtained full registration with the General Medical Council of the United Kingdom. This post has been recognised by the Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Board for accredited specialist training in the United Kingdom in previous occasions.

Candidates will need to show that they are covered by a suitable medical indemnity policy that covers the private sector.

Duties and Responsibilities

The UCH Shoulder Fellow, like all members of staff is expected to develop professional and harmonious working relationships with all members of the nursing, professional, technical and managerial staff with whom they have contact during the performance of their duties and to follow the Hospital's Code of Ethics and Hospital Policies.

1. To provide medical and surgical care for patients in the Shoulder Firm, both in the clinics, in theatre and on the wards. To meet with the respective consultant daily for advice and to maintain continuity of care. To ensure that the junior staff (SpRs, STs and RMO on-call) is informed of all relevant details regarding patients.
2. To follow the instructions given by and liaise with the Consultant in charge of each particular patient at all times. To be accountable to the Consultant in charge.
3. To conduct a round of inpatients on a daily basis, and/or at the request of the Consultant in charge or the nursing staff. To inform the appropriate Consultant of any change in the medical condition of their patients and to liaise with them prior to changing medication or treatment.
4. To see new admissions on arrival in the ward, in preparation for theatre.
5. To maintain in-patient medical records where appropriate.
6. To write up and re-order drugs in accordance with hospital policy. All changes in therapy to be recorded in the medical notes.
7. To record recommended treatment in the medical notes following contact with the Consultant and advise nursing staff of treatment requirements.
8. In liaison with the nursing staff and junior medical staff, to arrange any investigations requested by the Consultant.
9. To assist in operating theatres or attend clinics at a Consultant's request.
10. To obtain outcome data and update and maintain the patient clinical database.
11. The Fellow must be aware of the infection control procedures at University College Hospital, which will be made available to him/her.

Job descriptions cannot be exhaustive and the candidate may be required to undertake other duties, which are broadly in line with the above key responsibilities.

The candidate will be employed full time by University College and is not permitted to accept any other paid offices without the permission of the Consultant in charge.

Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Theatre UCH	Theatre UCH	Theatre UCH	Clinic UCH	Free Study
Afternoon	Theatre PP	Clinic UCH	Theatre UCH	Free Study	Theatre PP
Evening	(Theatre PP)				(Theatre PP)

Research And Teaching

Opportunities exist for clinical and basic science research through collaborative links with University College London. The main interests at present include glenoid pressurisation techniques, clavicular fracture fixation and outcomes of treatment for frozen shoulder.

The consultants are involved in arthroscopic training courses throughout the year with potential for participation as a delegate. There is also the opportunity to attend meetings and courses.

You will be exposed to diagnostic ultrasound imaging of the shoulder and elbow, as it is regularly undertaken in the Unit.

The Fellow would be able to attend regular case conferences where complex problem cases are presented to a forum of surgeons, radiologists, physiotherapists, and pain management specialists.

University College Hospital

UCLH now comprises seven separate hospital sites offering general and specialist services. It serves the local community, commuters, tourists and treat patients referred from around the country. It is one of the largest and most complex Trusts in the NHS, with a £460 million turnover, serving one of the most diverse areas of the country. It has contracts with 300 Primary Care Trusts and provided 500,000 outpatient appointments and 75,000 inpatient or day case treatments last year. It employs 6,000 staff and is a major teaching centre offering training for nurses, doctors and other health care professionals.

UCLH, along with University College London, forms one of the largest centres for biomedical research in Europe. There are over 1200 active research projects.

The Trauma and Orthopaedic department offers a comprehensive service for patients with joint, bone and soft tissue disorders. It provides a complex hip and knee surgery service and has specialists focussed on foot and ankle disorders. It also forms the central arm of the regional service for management of bone and soft tissue sarcomas in London. The department also covers acute trauma for the Trust and takes care of a great deal of post-trauma reconstruction.

The Upper Limb Unit provides expertise in diagnosis and treatment of shoulder and elbow conditions, both elective and trauma. It has a dedicated Hand service with a busy acute Hand Trauma service.

UCLH has one of the longest running sports clinics in the UK backed up by expert sports physicians, radiologists, physiotherapists and podiatrists. It provides a successful acute knee and shoulder injury service for the local community and for tertiary referrals.

The 9 orthopaedic consultants are supported by a team of 7 registrars, 2 clinical fellows and one Belgian Fellow, 4 senior house officers and 3 house officers. The unit often takes post-FRCS (Orth) trainees on specialist fellowships prior to their taking up their respective consultant posts. The department is also supported by 4 physiotherapy clinical specialists.

Further information can be obtained on line at www.uclh.nhs.uk .

Confidentiality

The post holder must maintain confidentiality regarding patients, staff and other health service business in accordance with the Code of Confidentiality and the Data Protection Act 1998.

Health and Safety

Employees must be aware of the responsibilities placed on them under the Health and Safety at Work Act, 1974, to ensure that the agreed safety procedures are carried out to maintain a safe environment for employees, patients and visitors.

Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) Check

This position is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau check at enhanced level.