

Business Manager: Institute of Making

3 month position

- King's College London is developing a business plan to assess the feasibility of establishing an interdisciplinary institute focused on developing materials for the creative industries to be called the Institute of Making.
- In this context the creative industries are defined as architecture, product design, jewellery, fashion, craft, art, and other making activities.
- The aim of the institute is to provide a UK hub that links academic research in the physical sciences, the health sciences, the social sciences and the humanities, to innovation in these creative industries.
- King's has a strong track record in this area and is keen to expand its interaction with the creative industries.
- The main activities of the institute will be to:
 - (i) Initiate research projects into new materials and processes;
 - (ii) Maintain a materials library as a physical resource for the creative industries;
 - (iii) Form strategic partnerships with materials and manufacturing companies through sponsorship and long-term projects.
 - (iv) Form commercial partnerships with creative industry companies through the provision of services, such as access to the materials library, professional development courses, and new materials workshops.
 - (v) Develop Masters and PhD programmes.
 - (vi) Engage with the public and media;
- It is envisioned that King's will form strategic partnerships with other London universities to make the Institute of Making a truly interdisciplinary London-wide institute.
- King's is looking to recruit a professional business development person to spend three months working with the academics involved to develop a business plan for the project. They should have knowledge of the creative industry sector, ideally in materials, and have commercial experience writing business plans.
- All enquiries should be directed to:

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