**Tennis Coach**

**University of Stirling Sport**

**Stirling Campus**

**Reports to: Sports Development Officer**

**Zero-hours contract**

**The Role**

To plan and deliver quality tennis coaching programmes for University of Stirling Sport to increase participation and aid retention through excellent customer satisfaction. To support all participants attending sessions, and to develop the tennis programme – promoting and providing additional opportunities for participation in tennis.

**Key Duties and Responsibilities**

**Coaching Delivery**

* Deliver enjoyable, structured and progressive tennis coaching sessions as part of a programme that includes both youth and adult tennis lessons.
* Plan and prepare lesson content to the correct level and standard for each group.
* Be able to adapt lesson plans for the number of participants in attendance.
* Deliver sessions in accordance with health and safety guidelines.
* To introduce and encourage players to compete in recreational and club level competitions throughout the year.
* Continually monitor and asses the development of all participants.
* Maintain and develop current knowledge and practices by attending CPD opportunities and undertaking benchmarking.
* Liaise with Tennis Central Scotland to promote external competitions for participants.

**General**

* Adopt a flexible approach to work, providing additional cover in cases of sickness, annual leave or special events.
* Undertake any other duties which are appropriate to the post as may be requested.
* Act as an advocate for the University of Stirling Sport by maintaining high standards of personal appearance and adopting a friendly and professional approach to service users.
* Embed the University’s core values of excellence, openness and ambition.
* Support and promote the values and behaviours of University Of Stirling Sport at all times.

**Additional Information**

This post will require flexibility in working hours to meet operational needs, including evening and weekends.

This post is regulated work with children and/or protected adults under the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007. The preferred candidate will be required to join the PVG Scheme or undergo a PVG Scheme update check. An offer of work will be subject to the outcome of this check being satisfactory.

**Person Specification**

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|  | **Essential** | **Desirable** |
| **Qualifications/****Education** | * Minimum UKCC level 2 in relevant sport, experience delivering tennis coaching.
* A good playing level and knowledge of the game is required to deliver the tennis sessions
* Evidence of CPD
* First Aid
* Child Protection
 | * UKCC Level 3 in relevant sport
* Coaching at National level
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| **Experience** | * At least 2 years’ experience working within a coaching setting
* Practical experience working with children and adults of varied ability
* Delivery coaching to an excellent standard
 | * Delivery of coaching CPD
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| **Knowledge** | * Understating of SGB participation pathways
* Health and Safety management of coaching sessions
* Up to date knowledge of coaching practises
* Landscape of club competitive tennis
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| **Skills and Attributes** | * Excellent verbal and written communication skills
* Demonstrable organisation and planning skills
* Must have the ability to lead and motivate others.
* Committed to delivering excellent customer service.
* Strong time management skills
* Reliable and hard working
* Energetic with strong interpersonal skills
* Strong IT skills
 | * Ability to respond quickly and positively to change.
* Actively involved in Sport and fitness
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| **Other** | * Required to cover operational hours as necessary.
* Willingness to support the wider Sports Development Service team.
* A positive and energetic outlook.
* Ability of act corporately.
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