



## FOI - 2023/F28

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**QM FOI Enquiries** <foi-enquiries@qmul.ac.uk>

16 February 2023 at 10:45

To: [REDACTED] >

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email.

Are these university roles? - No. These colleagues are employed and salaried in China. However, for QAA purposes, they are required to work to the standard and norms of our university and, for these purposes, are provided a typical job description for a language teacher.

Are the rights and privileges of university staff attached to these roles? - No

Are those who occupy these roles staff of the university? No - they are employed by our Chinese partner

Are these individuals employed by the university? - No

Please state whether the university has received legal advice about the legal status of these roles and those who occupy them. - No however, legal advice was sought at the setup of the Confucius Institute

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Yours sincerely

Queen Mary University London

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 January 2023 11:07  
**To:** QM FOI Enquiries <foi-enquiries@qmul.ac.uk>  
**Subject:** FOI request

Dear sir/madam,

My name is [REDACTED] This FOI request relates to the university's Confucius Institute, in particular to the roles at the Confucius Institute for which individuals are recruited in China (if I understand correctly, that is the Chinese language teachers, and the 'Chinese co-director').

- Are these university roles? Are the rights and privileges of university staff attached to these roles? Are those who occupy these roles staff of the university? Are these individuals employed by the university? *Please share any*

*documentation that answers these questions or otherwise defines the legal status of these roles and those who occupy them.*

- Please state whether the university has received legal advice about the legal status of these roles and those who occupy them.

Best,

