Dublin City University

School of Nursing & Human Sciences in association with CLARITY

Postdoctoral Researcher Level 1
Innovative Midlife Intervention for Dementia Deterrence
Contract up to January 2017

As part of this role the researcher will be required to participate in the DCU Research Career Framework. This framework is designed to provide significant professional development opportunities to Researchers and offer the best opportunities in terms of a wider career path.

Background

The School of Nursing and Human Sciences, seeks to recruit a postdoctoral researcher on a fixed term contract basis to January 2017. The School brings together translational research with CLARITY in the area of dementia care. The position is aligned with the University Research Strategy

The increase in the ageing population across Europe is creating a need for creative technological solutions to promote independence and aging in place. This postdoctoral position provides an exciting opportunity to contribute to the developing body of knowledge concerning cutting edge technological supports for cognitive health. The successful applicant will be working across two European Projects – Dem@care, a sensor based home deployment project and ActifCare, a systematic review of the care pathway (from care provision, economic and health systems perspectives) from after diagnosis to the onset of formal care.

Principle Duties and Responsibilities

Reporting to the Principal Investigator, the Postdoctoral Researcher will:

- Conduct a programme of research specified in the Document of Work under the supervision and direction of the Principal Investigator
- Engage in the dissemination of the results of the research in which he/she is engaged with the support of and under the supervision of the Principal Investigator
- Supervise and assist undergraduate students and research assistants working in this area with their research
- Engage in appropriate training and development opportunities as required by the Principal Investigator, the School or Research Centre, or the University.
- Engage in teaching and teaching support as assigned by the Head of School under the direction of the Principal Investigator
- Assist in identifying and developing future research and funding initiatives
- Liaise with both internal and external stakeholders including healthcare and academic partners/collaborators
- Carry out administrative work associated with the programme of research as necessary
- Attend and report back on international consortium meetings quarterly or as required by the project

**Qualifications and Experience**

Applicants must have a PhD in a relevant discipline for example (but not limited to) nursing or psychology. A high level of comfort with technology and computers is also required including the ability to trouble shoot in the field and translate clinical findings to a technical audience. Experience of working with people with dementia is desirable.

Candidates will be expected to demonstrate:

- In-depth knowledge of their research discipline and the ability to conduct a specific programme of research within that discipline
- Advanced qualitative and quantitative research skills.
- The ability to communicate their research with their peers and the wider research community (for example presenting at conferences and publishing research in relevant journals) and the potential to teach and tutor students
- An awareness of the research environment (for example funding bodies) and the ability to contribute to grant applications
- The potential to oversee a research project including the supervision of staff and students.

**Salary:** €37,750 - €46,255  
(subject to qualifications and experience)

**Closing date:** 4th February 2014

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