



Faculty of Science and Health
School of Health and Human Performance
Associate Professor in Elite Performance
3 Year Fixed Term Contract

Dublin City University

Dublin City University (www.dcu.ie) is a research-intensive, globally-engaged, dynamic institution that is distinguished by both the quality and impact of its graduates and its focus on the translation of knowledge into societal and economic benefit. DCU prepares its students well for success in life, and in the workplace, by providing a high-quality, rounded education appropriate to the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century.

Through its mission to transform lives and societies through education, research and innovation, DCU acts as an agent of social, cultural and economic progress. As Ireland's University of Enterprise, it is characterised by a focus on innovation and entrepreneurship and a track-record of effective engagement with the enterprise sector. Excellence in its education and research activities has led to its consistent ranking in the top 50 of the of the world's young universities (QS Top 50 under 50).

School of Health and Human Performance

A dynamic and rapidly growing School within the Faculty of Science and Health, the School of Health and Human Performance at DCU is developing an international reputation in health, exercise science and physical education. As such, the School of Health and Human Performance is committed to researching, understanding and disseminating knowledge about physical activity across the continuum from health to elite sport performance, and to the area of musculoskeletal medicine. The mission of the School is to foster optimum wellness in all phases of the human life cycle through the provision of academic programmes, research and the translation of research into public health or high performance strategies with practical implementation. It aims to achieve this through:

- Pioneering undergraduate and graduate level academic programmes;
- Undertaking research that transcends traditional boundaries leading to enhancement of health, physical performance and quality of life of the citizens of Ireland and beyond;
- Developing a wide range of community-based sport, health-related and injury research programmes;
- Building on our national reputation for excellence for preventive medicine, health and physical literacy, and healthy aging across the lifespan.

The School has already received significant support from the University through the appointment of a range of key academic and support staff and the development of extensive facilities for exercise and sport. As a member of this school you will become part of this multi-disciplinary team. Faculty and postgraduate research students in the School of Health and Human Performance investigate a wide range of topics concerning human movement and education, athletic performance, musculoskeletal medicine and health promotion. The School has a thriving research environment and the candidate must have the ability and desire to achieve excellence in their chosen area. The School initiated the BSc in Sports Science and Health in 1999 (www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/sport-science-and-health). Since then it has added the BSc in Athletic Therapy and Training (2005) (www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/athletic-therapy-and-training), the BSc in Physical Education with Biology (2006) (www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/physical-education-biology), and the BSc in Physical Education with Mathematics (2012) (www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/physical-education-mathematics). The School attracts high calibre students who are offered undergraduate teaching, research opportunities and practical placements in industry, in education or in clinical settings according to programme. At the heart of development plans for the University, the School is in unique position for significant growth with the establishment and development of a new dedicated Health and Human Performance facility planned on campus at DCU.

Details of the Role

A candidate with setting is sought. The duties and responsibilities associated with this post are described below:

Teaching

The successful post-holder will be required to:

- contribute to the development and delivery of undergraduate teaching and supervision within the School;
- develop, design, and deliver online modules in the area of Elite Performance and Talent Development at an undergraduate and postgraduate level within the School;
- Carry out undergraduate and graduate lecturing and research supervision as needed by the School in the areas of elite performance, psychology, and talent development, along with other related areas in health and human performance;
- Supervise students on work placement;
- Develop and deliver MProf and DProf programmes in the School.

Broad Contribution

- The candidate will be expected to undertake administrative functions relating to the activities of the School of Health and Human Performance. These activities, defined by the Head of School, may include participating in School meetings, carrying out key School administrative roles at a Faculty level, Chairing programmes of study, engaging in meetings related to programmes, and representing the School in marketing and recruitment of students.
- The post-holder will also be expected to develop and implement a talent development structure with the DCU Sports Academy, and coordinate the ongoing management of same working closely with the Director of Sport and Wellbeing.

Research

The successful post-holder will be required to:

- Pursue his/her research interests in the area of talent development and elite performance and contribute to the research output of the School by scholarly publications and

conference presentations, as well as undergraduate and postgraduate student research supervision;

- Attract and supervise masters and doctoral level students;
- Develop collaborations with the current academic staff and staff in the associated research institutes;
- Develop collaborations with academics and research groups internationally;
- Secure funding support for his/her research from both internal and external sources.

Essential Qualifications and Experience:

Applicants must be able to demonstrate evidence of:

- Skills and experience in the initiation, leadership and management of a Professional Doctorate programme of study;
- Specialism in the theory and application elite performance and talent development;
- An active research profile, including publication and graduate student supervision record, in the area of talent development and elite performance;
- Experience of working nationally and internationally with national governing bodies of sport in the field of talent development, with a recognised portfolio of applied work at an elite level;
- Experience lecturing at postgraduate and undergraduate level;
- Extensive experience in Elite Performance and Talent Development in a research and applied
- Applicants must hold a PhD (or equivalent) in a cognate area.

Mandatory Training: The postholder will be required to undertake the following mandatory compliance training: Orientation, Health & Safety and Data Protection (GDPR). Other training may need to be undertaken when required.

Salary scale: €73,387 - €95,917 (Associate Professor Scale)

* Appointments will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and will be made on the appropriate point of the salary scales, in line with current Government pay policy.

Closing Date: Friday 13th September 2019

Informal enquires: Informal enquiries should be directed to Sarahjane Belton, Head of School, School of Health and Human Performance, DCU: sarahjane.belton@dcu.ie.

Application Procedure:

Application forms are available from: <http://www4.dcu.ie/hr/vacancies/current.shtml> and from the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 1 700 5149; Fax: +353 1 700 5500 Email: hr.applications@dcu.ie

Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line:

Job Ref #BC0214 Associate Professor in Elite Performance

Applications should be submitted by email to hr.applications@dcu.ie or by post to the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9 - With your completed application form.

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