



## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

### **Assistant Professor in Nursing School of Nursing, Psychotherapy & Community Health 3 Year Fixed Term Contract – 4 Posts**

#### **Dublin City University**

Dublin City University [www.DCU.ie](http://www.DCU.ie) is a young, ambitious and vibrant University, with a mission 'to transform lives and societies through education, research, innovation and engagement'. Known as Ireland's 'University of Enterprise and Transformation', it is committed to the development of talent, and the discovery and translation of knowledge that advances society and the economy. DCU is the Sunday Times Irish University of the Year 2021.

The University is based on three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra region of north Dublin. It currently has more than 18,000 students enrolled across five faculties – Science and Health, DCU Business School, Computing and Engineering, Humanities and Social Sciences and DCU Institute of Education. DCU is committed to excellence across all its activities. This is demonstrated by its world-class research initiatives, its cutting-edge approach to teaching and learning, its focus on creating a transformative student experience, and its positive social and economic impact. This exceptional commitment on the part of its staff and students has led to DCU's ranking among the top 2% of universities globally. It also consistently features in the world's Top 100 Young Universities (currently in QS Top 70 Under 50, Times Higher Top 150 Under 100).

DCU is placed 84th in the world, in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings – measuring higher education institutions' contributions towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Over the past decade, DCU has also been the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer, as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

#### **School of Nursing, Psychotherapy & Community Health**

The School of Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community Health at DCU is a leader in its field with expertise in the provision of programmes in Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community health. The programmes currently offered are:

- B.Sc. in Nursing across four disciplinary areas: General Nursing, Mental Health Nursing, Children's and General Nursing, and Intellectual Disabilities Nursing
- Post-registration Programme in Children's Nursing
- M.Sc. in Advanced Nursing Practice
- M.Sc. in Psychotherapy
- Doctorate in Psychotherapy
- B.Sc. in Health and Society
- Certificate in Homelessness Prevention & Intervention
- Graduate Certificate in Sexuality Education and Sexual Wellbeing
- Stand-alone professional development modules for healthcare practitioners
- Certificate in Peer Support working in Mental Health

## **Role Profile**

The School is seeking to recruit four positions at the level of Assistant Professor. Appointees will be expected to contribute to teaching, curriculum development, research, and administrative activities in the School, across all levels. The appointees will also be expected to contribute directly to degree programmes through research-led teaching, student mentoring and supervision of student projects.

## **Duties and Responsibilities**

The duties and responsibilities of the position include, but are not restricted to, the following:

### ***Teaching***

Appointees will teach on both undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes in nursing and will participate in student mentoring and tutoring. They will prepare, deliver and assess a range of modules at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. The total teaching hours are determined by the Head of School.

In addition, they will supervise final-year Bachelors and/or Masters level research projects and undergraduate placements. Participation in the development of new modules and degree programmes, including postgraduate teaching to MSc and PhD students across a range of disciplines, is also a key part of this role.

### ***Research***

Appointees will be expected to establish an independently-funded collaborative research programme. This programme should align with the Research and Innovation constituent strategy of the DCU Strategic Plan and should foster collaboration(s) both within and beyond the School of Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community Health. Research should also be aligned with national and local nursing and healthcare priorities, and relevant national and EU priority areas.

### ***Service and Contribution to University & Society***

Appointees will undertake administrative functions related to the activities of the School of Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community Health and Faculty of Science and Health. Such duties are defined by the Head of School and may include: programme co-ordination; participation in University committees; representation of the School in marketing to and recruitment of students; participation in open days; organisation of conferences and seminars, etc.

## **Candidate Requirements**

- A primary/advanced degree in nursing and be eligible for registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland
- Qualified to post-graduate level and have completed/or be close to completion of a Doctoral qualification in their field
- A minimum of three years' relevant research experience
- A record of high quality university-level teaching
- Strong clinical skills
- Experience of research student supervision
- A record of original research back-up by publications in top international journals or, based on career stage, show exceptional promise in this regard

## **Essential Training**

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