Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position

Research Development Officer for the Faculty of Engineering and Computing
Professional 5A
Research and Innovation Support
Fixed Term Contract up to Three Years

Dublin City University

Dublin City University (DCU) 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', DCU is a values-based institution, committed to the delivery of impact for the public good. DCU was named Sunday Times Irish University of the Year 2021.

DCU is based on three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra region of north Dublin. More than 18,000 students are 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 delivering a transformative student experience, and its positive social and economic impact. The university continues to develop innovative programmes in collaboration with industry, such as the DCU Futures suite of degrees, which are designed to equip graduates with the skills and knowledge required in a rapidly evolving economy.

DCU's pursuit of excellence has led to its current ranking among the top 2% of universities globally. It is also one of the world's Top Young Universities (QS Top 100 Under 50, Times Higher Top 150 Under 100). In the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings 2021, DCU ranked 23rd in the world for its approach to widening participation in higher education and its ongoing commitment to eradicating poverty, while it ranks 38th globally for its work in reducing inequality and 89th globally for gender equality.

The university is ranked 23rd in the world and first in Ireland for its graduate employment rate, according to the 2020 QS Graduate Employability Rankings. Over the past decade, DCU has been the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer, as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

Faculty of Engineering and Computing

The Faculty of Engineering and Computing is home to the Schools of Computing, Electronic Engineering and Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering. The Faculty hosts or participates in a number of SFI Centres. The Faculty has a long track record of involvement with national and multinational corporations. This is demonstrated by a number of long-term industrial partnerships and sponsored awards, a considerable IP portfolio, and significant successes in European, commercialisation and research innovation awards. There is a strong multidisciplinary aspect to research within the Faculty, with each of the SFI centres partnering with researchers across multiple disciplines and with industry to deliver high impact research outcomes. Research output from this faculty has direct links to national priority areas including artificial intelligence, data analytics, advanced and smart manufacturing, biomedical engineering, the energy system, and future communications and networks.

Role Profile

The Research Development Officer will be responsible for providing a proactive faculty-based support service for academic staff focused on the planning and writing of externally funded research grant applications. The scope and level of support provided in relation to particular funders, calls and/or thematic areas will be prioritised in consultation with the Executive Dean of the Faculty, and informed by the research funding strategy of the Faculty.

Duties and Responsibilities
Please refer to the job description for a list of duties and responsibilities associated with this role.

Qualifications and Experience

Essential

- A primary degree in a discipline aligned to the Faculty.
- A minimum of three years' relevant work experience within a higher education, research funding or similar environment.
- Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication skills.
- A strong knowledge and comprehension of the Higher Education sector and research funding environment.
- Applicants should display the proven ability to function as part of a highly motivated team.

Highly Desirable

- Holding a Masters by Research or PhD degree in a discipline aligned to the Faculty.
- Proven track record in research support, proposal development, and grant writing
- Experience in deploying a critical and analytical approach to reviewing documents and proposals.
- Proven ability to manage multiple simultaneous proposals.
- Experience in the management of multi-institutional and international collaborative proposals for external research funding (e.g. EU Horizon Europe/ H2020 proposals).
- Experience working in a university research support unit or in a research funding organisation would be a distinct advantage.

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.

Salary Scale:

Professional 5A - € 51,313.00 - € 69,391.00

Appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and in line with current Government pay policy

Closing date: 24th June 2022

For more information on DCU and benefits, please visit Why work at DCU?

Informal Enquiries in relation to this role should be directed to:
Dr. Dara Dunican, Research Development Manager, Research and Innovation Support, Dublin City University.
Email: dara.dunican@dcu.ie
Please do not send applications to this email address, instead apply as described below.

Application Procedure:

Application forms are available from the DCU Current Vacancies website at
https://www.dcu.ie/hr/vacancies-current-vacancies-external-applicants

Applications should be submitted by e-mail with your completed application form to
hr.applications@dcu.ie

Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line:
Job Ref #*BC*220301 Research Development Officer

Dublin City University is an equal opportunities employer.

In line with the Employment Equality Acts 1998 – 2015, the University is committed to equality of treatment for all those who engage with its recruitment, selection and appointment processes.

The University's Athena SWAN Bronze Award signifies the University's commitment to promoting gender equality and addressing any gender pay gaps. Information on a range of university policies aimed at creating a supportive and flexible work environment are available in the DCU Policy Starter Packs