



Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position

**Senior Research Accountant
Professional 5
Finance Office
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.

Overview of the department

The Finance Office has overall responsibility for the financial environment within the University and provides a comprehensive range of services to DCU Faculties, Schools, Research Centres, Professional Support Departments and the DCU Commercial Group of Companies.

Role Profile

The Senior Research Accountant will report to the Research Accounting and Reporting Manager (hereinafter “Manager”) and will liaise closely with staff across the University; to include Finance Office staff, colleagues in Research & Innovation Support offices (RIS), Research Centres, Faculties and Schools as well as individual Principal Investigators. The individual will also be required to build relationships with external funding agencies, auditors and others as required.

This role will deputise for the Manager as required.

Duties and Responsibilities

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

Minimum Internal Service Criteria

Please note that [internal service criteria](#) will apply

Qualifications and Experience

Essential Experience:

- Candidates must have a Primary Degree or equivalent (NFQ Level 7) in an appropriate area plus 3 years experience.
- The successful candidate will hold a professional accounting qualification.
- The successful applicant will be well organised and be able to co-ordinate and progress the tasks associated with the post on their own initiative.
- The successful individual will be flexible and possess an ability to work effectively as part of the team, offering support to colleagues when required.
- The applicant must have excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and be sensitive to the differing requirements of a diverse University setting.
- The applicant will have good MS Excel skills and previous experience with financial systems.

Other important attributes would include

- Excellent written and oral communication skills, and be mindful of the differing requirements of a diverse University setting.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to collaborate and build positive relationships with other colleagues and external stakeholders.
- Ability to work flexibly, effectively and under pressure to ensure tasks are finalised to strict deadlines.
- Strong attention to detail to ensure completeness and accuracy of information
- Self-motivated and proactive, with the ability to organise, co-ordinate and progress the tasks associated with the role on an independent basis.
- Ability to work effectively on an individual basis and as part of the team, offering assistance to colleagues when required, and ensuring services are delivered in accordance with the University’s requirements.
- An active interest in learning new processes and systems, as well as implementing change initiatives.

Essential 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:

Professional 5 - €52,198 - €62,889

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

Closing date: Friday 2nd December 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:

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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/hr-current-vacancies-internal-competitions?check_logged_in=1

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:

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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](#)