Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position

Assistant Librarian (Open Research)
Dublin City University Library
Full-Time, Permanent

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.

DCU Library
DCU Library is based on three campus locations (O’Reilly Glasnevin, Cregan St Patrick’s, Woodlock Hall, All Hallows College). The Library employs approx. 75 members of staff, representing approx. 63 FTE. The Library manages over 500,000 printed books with other significant collections held in offsite storage. There is a strong emphasis on electronic access and DCU is a member of IReL, a nationally funded programme to acquire electronic content on a consortium basis. The Library also provides access to theses and dissertations, newspapers, web resources and other content types. The Library has progressed a number of strategic partnerships. These include an alliance with the Jesuit order...
which saw the transfer of the Library from the Milltown Institute into its care. Other partnerships include those with Poetry Ireland and Children’s Books Ireland.

Additional information on the Library is available at: https://www.dcu.ie/library. Information on the Library’s statement of strategy is available at: https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/2020-12/statementofstrategy2020-21_0.pdf.

Overview of the Directorate
The Research & Teaching Directorate is responsible for building and managing relationships with Faculties/Schools, Centres and relevant units to inform library service developments and initiatives. It promotes library services and resources and delivers impactful, collaborative and tailored services to the research and teaching community.

Overview of the Role
The Open Research Librarian is a critical member of the Library’s Research and Teaching (R&T) Directorate working closely with the Associate Director (R&T) on the ongoing delivery and development of a high quality dynamic suite of library research services, partnerships and programmes in support of the university’s research objectives and strategies. The successful individual will be a strong advocate for open research approaches and principles, in the University. This role is continuously evolving and provides an excellent opportunity for someone to shape future services. Currently the role includes line management responsibility for a library assistant.

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

Qualifications and Experience

- The successful individual will have a degree and a postgraduate qualification in Library and Information Studies or equivalent
- Have at least three years’ experience in an academic library or equivalent

In addition, the successful individual must have:

- The ability to work effectively and flexibly in a team based environment
- The ability to engage proactively with the academic community, building and maintaining effective partnerships and relationships
- Knowledge of the open research landscape, current developments, future trends
- Experience and knowledge of working with, or managing an institutional repository
- Knowledge of digital content and metadata standards
- The ability to manage competing demands successfully, be highly motivated, proactive and flexible
- Excellent communication, interpersonal, written and presentation skills
- Excellent creative problem solving skills and ability to develop and apply innovative solutions
- Excellent digital literacy skills including knowledge of key office software applications and relevant library systems
- A commitment to continuing professional development and training
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:

Assistant Librarian - € 41,162 - € 56,545

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

Closing date: 16th September 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:
Ellen Breen, Associate Director: Research & Teaching, DCU Library, Dublin City University.
Email: ellen.breen@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 #BC220503 Assistant Librarian (Open Research)

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