



JOB DESCRIPTION

**Assistant Professor in Psychotherapy
School of Nursing, Psychotherapy & Community Health,
Faculty of Science & Health
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.

Overview of the department

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 at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

The programmes currently offered are:

- MSc in Psychotherapy (Integrative)
- Professional Diploma in Clinical Supervision

- Doctorate in Psychotherapy
- BSc 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
- BSc in Health and Society
- Certificate in Homelessness Prevention & Intervention
- Graduate Certificate in Sexuality Education and Sexual Wellbeing
- Graduate Certificate in Relationships in Sexuality Education for People with Intellectual Disability
- Graduate Certificate in Dermatology
- Stand-alone professional development modules for healthcare and other practitioners

3 new post-graduate programmes will commence this September

- MSc in Specialist Nursing for Future Healthcare
- MSc in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing
- MSc in Health and Social Inclusion

Role Profile:

The School is seeking to recruit 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 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 and Learning

Appointees will be expected to: contribute to teaching on all psychotherapy programmes (M.Sc. in Psychotherapy, Doctorate in Psychotherapy, Professional Diploma in Clinical Supervision), and will participate in student mentoring, tutoring and practice development in psychotherapy practice. They will prepare, deliver and assess a range of modules. The total teaching hours are determined by the Head of School. In addition, they will supervise MSc and Doctoral research projects.

Research

The appointee will be expected to establish an independently-funded collaborative research programme. This programme should align with the Research and Innovation strategies of the School, Faculty and University and should foster collaboration(s) both within and beyond the School of Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community Health. Research should also be aligned with relevant local, national and EU priority areas.

Service and Contribution to University & Society

The appointee 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.

Qualifications and Experience

- Qualified to post-graduate level in the field of psychotherapy and eligible for registration with a national Psychotherapy Association.
- Completed Ph.D. or Doctoral studies.
- Previous teaching experience at undergraduate and postgraduate level is required.
- Applicants should demonstrate potential to establish an independent research programme and attract research funding from competitive research funding schemes.
- Applicants must show evidence of publications in top international journals or, based on career stage, show exceptional promise in this regard.
- Applicants should also demonstrate excellent interpersonal and communication skills, along with evidence of successful teamwork and a collaborative and collegial approach.