JOB DESCRIPTION

Clinical Skills Nurse (Clinical Nurse Manager 1)
School of Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community Health
Faculty of Science and Health
Fixed Term Three Year Contract – Term Time

Dublin City University

Dublin City University (DCU) is a leading innovative European University. It is proud to be one of the world’s leading Young Universities and is among the world’s top 2% globally. DCU is known as Ireland’s University of Impact, with a mission to ‘transform lives and societies’ and focuses on addressing global challenges in collaboration with key national and international partners and stakeholders.

DCU has over 20,000 students in five faculties spread across three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra area of North Dublin. Thanks to its innovative approach to teaching and learning, the University offers a ‘transformative student experience’ that helps to develop highly sought-after graduates. DCU is currently No. 1 in Ireland for Graduate Employment Rate, and for graduate income (CSO).

DCU is a research-intensive University and is home to a number of SFI-funded Research Centres. The University participates in a range of European and international research partnerships. DCU is also the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

As a ‘People First’ institution, DCU is committed to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion – a University that helps staff and students to thrive. The University is a leader in terms of its work to increase access to education, and is placed in the world’s Top 10 for reducing inequalities in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings.

School of Nursing, Psychotherapy & Community Health

The School of Nursing, Psychotherapy and Community Health at DCU leads in advancing population and patient health, inclusion and well-being through education, research, practice, and policy development. The School has gained national and international recognition for its diverse range of innovative undergraduate, postgraduate and professional development programmes across 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 Higher Diploma in Children’s Nursing
- B.Sc. in Health and Society
- M.Sc. in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing
- M.Sc. in Health and Social Inclusion
- M.Sc. in Specialist Nursing for Future Healthcare
- M.Sc. in Advanced Nursing Practice (Saudi Arabia)
- M.Sc. and Doctorate in Psychotherapy
- Professional Diploma in Clinical Supervision
- 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 Clinical Skills Nurses (Clinical Nurse Manager 1). The appointees will be responsible for teaching clinical skills through a diverse range of modalities including face-to-face in the classroom (synchronous and asynchronous teaching), simulation and the virtual learning environment. The post is based on the Glasnevin Campus and the individual will report to the Head of School.

Duties and Responsibilities
The duties and responsibilities of the position include, but are not restricted to, the following:
- Working collaboratively as part of the team in the Clinical Education Centre and academic staff in the school to develop and deliver clinical skills to all nursing students.
- Leading, educating, and assessing nursing students’ clinical skills, knowledge, and clinical judgement.
- Collaborating with academic staff or working independently to develop, implement and access student learning through a range of innovative strategies.
- Implementing strategies and providing learning opportunities for nursing students to acquire the requisite mandatory and additional clinical skills in preparation for their clinical placements.
- Ensuring that the necessary equipment/supplies are maintained and available for use as required in the Clinical Education Centre. This will include ensuring that equipment is stored correctly/safely and that an inventory of equipment and supplies is maintained.
- Liaising closely with relevant programme chairs, module coordinators and clinical staff in developing models for best practice in the continued development of the Clinical Education Centre.
- Maintaining appropriate records and record-keeping processes and systems.
• Liaising with the relevant staff in the identification and introduction of new clinical procedures and the equipment necessary to assist student learning.
• Developing innovative strategies by which skills teaching can be enhanced including the use of simulation in the Clinical Education Centre.
• To perform any other duties relevant to the job that the Head of School may allocate as required.

Qualifications and Experience
• Applicants must hold a primary degree in nursing and be eligible for registration as a registered general nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland. A dual qualification in nursing will be advantageous.
• Applicants qualified to a post-graduate level in a nursing related health discipline is desirable.
• Applicants will have previous experience in the provision of clinical skills education to nurses either in the clinical or university setting.
• Recent healthcare experience in an acute care setting with demonstrable teaching experience and skills is desirable.
• Manual Handling Instructor and Basic Life Support Instructor training or prepared to undertake this training immediately is essential.
• Demonstrate the ability to provide dynamic teaching through a variety of modalities. The ability to research and implement improved teaching techniques.
• Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively to convey concepts to be learned and adopted. Additionally, applicants should have demonstrable capacity to work as a member of a team.