



Applicants are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position:

Research Centre - DCU Business School

Post title - Research Assistant

Risk & Emergency Management

Post duration - 18 Months Fixed Term Contract*

(With an expectation that the contract may be extended by a further 18 months)

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.

Overview of the department

DCU Business School's history is marked by steep upward development. From the outset, our guiding voices were those of industry and students and, as a result, we are today distinctive for our deep and responsive industry engagement and our close concern with the success of our students. DCU Business School has developed an excellent research reputation characterised by its industry relevance and strong international impact. The School is accredited by AACSB, AMBA and has been awarded the Small Business Charter from the Chartered Association of Business Schools. Additionally, our programmes have relevant professional accreditations. DCU was ranked as first in Ireland for Research Citation Impact (the highest Field Weighted Citation Index - FWCI) in the Subject Area: Business and Economics in the THE World University Subject Rankings (2021 and 2022).

Role Overview

Reporting to the Principal Investigator, the role involves working closely with the research team to deliver research linked to national risk assessments, horizon scanning, community resilience, and emergency management education. The research team will focus on evidence-based research designed to make communities inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

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The role will involve the following:

- Undertaking literature searches
- Presenting data outputs in an agreed format – Tables, Charts etc.
- Assisting with survey design & distribution
- Coordinating Focus groups
- Assisting with focus group discussions
- Transcribing focus group discussions
- Coding & analysing data
- Preparing research reports
- Other duties as agreed with the Project Team

Qualifications & Experience:

Essential:

- A qualification in a relevant business, emergency management, computing, environmental science, or communication discipline
- Evidence of strong research skills

- A high level of interpersonal and communication skills
- Report writing skills
- Time management skills, ability to work on own initiative, and capacity to work to deadlines

Desirable:

- Qualitative data analysis skills
- Quantitative data analysis skills
- Experience in completing literature reviews
- Presentation skills
- Experience in delivering material/training to groups
- Academic report/paper writing skills

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.