



Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position

**Assistant Professor in Athletic Therapy and Training
School of Health & Human Performance
Faculty of Science and Health
Fixed Term Contract up to 3 Years**

Dublin City University

Dublin City University www.dcu.ie 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 and Transformation', it is committed to the development of talent, and the discovery and translation of knowledge that advances society and the economy. DCU is the Sunday Times Irish University of the Year 2021.

The University is based on three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra region of north Dublin. It currently has more than 18,000 students 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 creating a transformative student experience, and its positive social and economic impact. This exceptional commitment on the part of its staff and students has led to DCU's ranking among the top 2% of universities globally. It also consistently features in the world's Top 100 Young Universities (currently in QS Top 70 Under 50, Times Higher Top 150 Under 100).

DCU is placed 84th in the world, in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings – measuring higher education institutions' contributions towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Over the past decade, DCU has also been the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer, as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

School of Health and Human Performance

A dynamic and rapidly growing School within the Faculty of Science and Health, the School of Health and Human Performance at DCU is developing an international reputation in health, sport and exercise science and physical education. As such, the School of Health and Human Performance is committed to researching, understanding and disseminating knowledge about exercise and physical activity across the continuum from health to elite sport performance, and to the area of musculoskeletal medicine. The mission of the School is to foster optimum wellness in all phases of the human life cycle through the provision of academic programmes, research and the translation of research into public health or high performance strategies with practical implementation. It aims to achieve this through:

- Pioneering undergraduate and graduate level academic programmes;
- Undertaking research that transcends traditional boundaries leading to enhancement of health, physical performance and quality of life of the citizens of Ireland and beyond;

- Developing a wide range of community-based sport, health-related and injury research programmes;
- Building on our national reputation for excellence for sports performance, preventive medicine, health and physical literacy, and healthy aging across the life course.

The School has already received significant support from the University through the appointment of a range of key academic and support staff and the development of extensive facilities for exercise and sport. As a member of this school you will become part of this multi-disciplinary team. Faculty and postgraduate research students in the School of Health and Human Performance investigate a wide range of topics concerning human movement and education, athletic performance, musculoskeletal medicine and health promotion. The School has a thriving research environment and the candidate must have the ability and desire to achieve excellence in their chosen area.

The School runs the following programmes:

1. BSc in Sports Science and Health www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/sport-science-and-health
2. BSc in Athletic Therapy and Training www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/athletic-therapy-and-training
3. BSc in Physical Education with Biology www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/physical-education-biology
4. BSc in Physical Education with Mathematics www.dcu.ie/courses/undergraduate/shhp/physical-education-mathematics
5. Professional Doctorate in Elite Performance (Sport) <https://www.dcu.ie/courses/postgraduate/school-health-and-human-performance/professional-doctorate-elite-performance>

The School attracts high calibre students who are offered undergraduate teaching, research opportunities and practical placements in industry, in education or in clinical settings according to programme. At the heart of development plans for the University, the School is in unique position for significant growth with the establishment and development of a new dedicated Health and Human Performance facility planned on campus at DCU.

Role Profile

Reporting to the Head of School, the appointee will be expected to contribute to development, design, delivery and management of courses at undergraduate and postgraduate level within the School. The successful post-holder would specialise in the delivery of applied Athletic Therapy and Training content, specifically in the areas of clinical assessment skill, clinical reasoning, and applied injury prevention/rehabilitation. The Candidate will also be required to pursue his/her research interests in an area of relevance to the School and contribute to the research output of the School by scholarly publications and conference presentations, as well as undergraduate and postgraduate student research supervision. The post-holder will be expected to undertake administrative functions relating to the activities of the School of Health and Human Performance.

Duties and Responsibilities

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

Qualifications and Experience

- Applicants must hold a BSc or MSc in Athletic Therapy and Training or a related area.
- Applicants must hold an PhD in an area related to Athletic Therapy and Training, or be on track towards completion of a PhD.
- Must be a Certified Athletic Therapist and member of ARTI.
- Broad experience of working with elite athletes as and Athletic Therapist.
- Broad expertise in Athletic Therapy/musculoskeletal medicine, with demonstrable ability to deliver progressive modules/courses in clinical reasoning, but to also extend across the related disciplines of physical education and sports science and health.
- Specialism in the theory and application of clinical education and applied rehabilitation/prevention, specifically as it applies to athletic therapy.
- To have a detailed understanding of Athletic Therapy, and demonstrate the ability to promote this profession and the area of study at DCU nationally and internationally.
- Experience of delivery of modules in musculoskeletal clinical education and clinical reasoning at third level, which encompasses a variety of methods of delivery and assessment of learning outcomes.
- Experience of coordinating and developing clinical placements in terms of organisation, administration and evaluation.

Mandatory 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 Professor (below bar): *€39,123 - €53,784

Assistant Professor (above bar): *€52,188 - €83,039

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

Closing date: Wednesday, 31st of March 2021

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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/vacancies-current-vacancies-external-applicants> (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 #BC1404 Assistant Professor in Athletic Therapy and Training**

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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](#)