

JOB DESCRIPTION

Associate Professor in Mental Health Nursing School of Nursing, Psychotherapy & Community Health 3-Year Fixed Term Contract

Dublin City University

Dublin City University (<u>www.dcu.ie</u>) 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 Nursing, Psychotherapy & Community Health

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. 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 Programme in Children's Nursing
- M.Sc. in Advanced Nursing Practice
- M.Sc. in Psychotherapy
- Doctorate in Psychotherapy
- Professional Diploma in Clinical Supervision, Psychotherapy
- Graduate Certificate in Dermatology
- B.Sc. in Health and Society
- 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 an Associate Professor in Mental Health Nursing. The post holder is expected to lead initiatives across teaching, research, administration and community engagement in alignment with the School's Strategic plan. This will involve educational input into existing programmes as well as scoping and developing new programmes in the areas related to nursing. They will be involved in developing and delivering the School's recently revised post-graduate framework. The appointee will also be expected to have an established portfolio in research, and demonstrate the ability to attract research funding and lead research projects. The post is based on the Glasnevin Campus and the candidate will report to the Head of School.

Duties and Responsibilities

Duties and responsibilities attaching to this post include, but are not limited to:

Teaching and Learning

To contribute to the teaching and learning activity of the Nursing Health Academic Group by:

- Developing and steering teaching and learning initiatives in the discipline and wider School
- Delivering modules in a manner consistent with the highest academic standards
- Using a wide range of teaching and assessment methodologies which foster a deep approach to learning and which will equip students with the skills and attributes needed to be lifelong learners
- Working proactively to enhance and enrich existing modules and programmes-Contributing to the design and development of new modules and programmes
- Supporting new lecturers
- Providing research supervision and support for taught postgraduate students

Research and Scholarship

To contribute to the research activity of the Nursing Academic Group by:

- Developing and leading research initiatives in areas related to nursing and across the wider School strategic areas
- Publishing new ideas and findings in high impact international journals
- Achieving measurable impact via citations
- Applying for national and international grants to contribute to the School's research agenda · Contributing to research activities such as conferences, seminars etc.
- Attracting and supervising high-calibre postgraduate research students
- Mentoring new researchers
- Contributing to the research culture and environment in the School and, where appropriate, working collaboratively on research initiatives

Service and Contribution to University and Society

To contribute to the leadership, management and administration of the Nursing Academic Group, the School and University by:

- Engagement in accreditation-related activities
- Contributing proactively to relevant School and University committees, working groups and meetings
- Mentoring and supporting new academic colleagues
- Contributing to the running of SNPCH activities through participation in, for example, promotional events and student recruitment
- Enhancing the reputation and impact of SNPCH through engagement in external academic entrepreneurial, professional, public sector and community activities
- Developing collaborations and partnerships with relevant national and international community agencies and networks to support and advance community health practice development and research engagement

Appointees 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.

Candidate Requirements

Essential:

- A BSc/Advanced degree in mental health nursing and be registered/eligible to register with the NMBI as an RPN.
- A doctoral qualification in a field that is relevant to Mental Health Nursing
- A minimum of three years' relevant teaching and learning experience at University level. Evidence of development of curricula and resources in a relevant area
- A minimum of three years' relevant research experience with evidence of:

 A track record of competitively won national/international funding as Principal Investigator
 A track record of leading research teams
- Lead authorship of original research publications in peer reviewed top quartile international journals or equivalent
- Supervision of doctoral students to completion
- Evidence of knowledge exchange and research impact into societal benefit e.g. informing policy/practice developments

Desirable:

• Have well established national and international networks in nursing/healthcare

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.