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Research Centre	ADAPT Centre
Post Title	Postdoctoral Researcher Language Technology
Level on Framework	Level 1.
Post Duration	Fixed-Term Contract up to 11 Months

Overview

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.

As part of this role the researcher will be required to participate in the DCU Research Career Framework. This framework is designed to provide significant professional development opportunities to Researchers and offer the best opportunities in terms of a wider career path. The role may include teaching duties to assist with module delivery.

Background

The ADAPT Centre, a world-leading SFI Centre, is Ireland's global centre of excellence for digital content technology funded through Science Foundation Ireland's Centres programme. ADAPT combines the expertise of over 300 researchers across eight Higher Education Institutes (Trinity College Dublin, Dublin City University, University College Dublin, Technological University Dublin, Munster Technological University, Athlone Institute of Technology, Maynooth University, and National University of Ireland, Galway) with that of its industry partners to produce ground-breaking digital content innovations.

The ADAPT Centre executive function is co-hosted between Trinity College Dublin and Dublin City University. ADAPT brings together more than 300 researchers who collectively have won more than €100m in funding and have a strong track record of transferring world-leading research and innovations to more than 140 companies. ADAPT partners are successfully advancing the frontiers of Artificial Intelligence (AI), content analysis, machine translation, personalisation, e-learning and education, media technologies, virtual and augmented reality, and spoken interaction, as well as driving global standards in content technologies.

ADAPT's Irish Language Technology team wishes to recruit a Postdoctoral Researcher on a fixed term contract to work on the MeetingMinder project, the focus of which is to produce a prototype software framework to generate reports automatically from virtual and physical meetings. In this context, the Postdoctoral Researcher will work with the development team to meet the project objectives and working with the industry partner to implement the MVP and trials, along with conducting background research and preparing reviews of the current relevant literature, state-of-the-art services, tools and technologies.

Role Profile
The successful candidate will work within a group of Academics and Researchers comprising the Meeting Minder team based in the ADAPT Centre in the School of Computing at DCU.

Duties and Responsibilities

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

Qualifications and Experience

Minimum criteria
The successful candidate will have a Primary PhD in personal data analytics / lifelogging.

In addition to the above it is desirable that the candidate possess a subset of the following skills.

- The ability to communicate effectively, with proficiency in both written and oral English.

- Experience with data analysis and data management
- Experience of working in the industry in a full-time role
- Experience of front-end development
- Experience of developing novel personal data analytics techniques and evaluating the effectiveness of same.

Mandatory Training
The post holder will be required to undertake the following mandatory compliance training: Orientation, Health and Safety and Intellectual Property and Data Protection training. Other training may need to be undertaken when required.

Candidates will be assessed on the following competencies:

Discipline knowledge and Research skills – Demonstrates knowledge of a research discipline and the ability to conduct a specific programme of research within that discipline.

Understanding the Research Environment – Demonstrates an awareness of the research environment (for example funding bodies) and the ability to contribute to grant applications.

Communicating Research – Demonstrates the ability to convey their research with their peers and the wider research community (for example presenting at conferences and publishing research in relevant journals) and the potential to teach and tutor students.

Managing & Leadership skills - Demonstrates the potential to manage a research project including the supervision of undergraduate students.

Salary Scale: Post-Doctoral Researcher IUA Scale* €38,632 – €50,029 per annum.
Appointments will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and will be made on the appropriate point of the salary scales, in line with current Government pay policy.

Closing Date: Friday 23rd of July 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
http://www.dcu.ie/vacancies/current.shtml

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:
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environment are available in the DCU Policy Starter Packs*