



## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

**Research Assistant**  
**Gaois, Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge**  
**Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**  
**Fixed-Term Contract up to 18 months**

### **Dublin City University**

Dublin City University ([www.DCU.ie](http://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.

### **Overview of Gaois, Fiontar & Scoil na Gaeilge**

Gaois is a research group in Fiontar & Scoil na Gaeilge comprising lecturers, researchers and postgraduate students. Our aim is to sustain and transform Irish language and culture through the development of innovative and trusted resources. Information about the various projects for which we are responsible may be found at [www.gaois.ie](http://www.gaois.ie).

### **Role Profile**

The Research Assistant will work on a project in the areas of language technology and folklore and will be a member of an interdisciplinary team working in areas of research such as terminology, corpus linguistics, place-names, biographical studies and folklore.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Perform a range of editorial tasks on the project under the guidance of the Postdoctoral Researcher
- Report regularly on progress to the Postdoctoral Researcher or the Principal Investigator

- Discuss any problems with the work assigned or any change required for the business objectives with the Postdoctoral Researcher or the Principal Investigator
- Maintain productivity levels and work objectives through regular contact with the Postdoctoral Researcher or the Principal Investigator
- Inform the Principal Investigator of any other challenges or make suggestions for potential improvement
- Where relevant, introduce new staff to current operations systems
- Perform other duties, as appropriate, following consultation with the Postdoctoral Researcher or the Principal Investigator

#### **Qualifications and Experience**

- Honours undergraduate degree in Modern Irish or in a related relevant subject
- Fluent spoken Irish and a high standard of written Irish
- Have basic computer skills
- Have experience of working as part of a team
- Be well-organised and capable of demonstrating initiative and meeting targets
- Strong Interpersonal skills.

#### **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.