



School of Health and Human Performance

PhD teaching studentship

Applications are invited for the position of PhD researcher in the Biomechanics, Musculoskeletal and Athletic Therapy research Cluster in Health (Bio-MATCH) at Dublin City University.

Biomechanics, Musculoskeletal and Athletic Therapy research Cluster in Health

There are numerous health related benefits to regular participation in physical and sporting activities. However, there is also an inherent risk of sustaining injuries which can be expensive in terms of medical costs, time lost from work or study and the long term health of the athlete, particularly in community based sports. Therefore, the reduction of risk of injury is a priority in sports medicine. Research based in Bio-MATCH has focussed on the collection of epidemiological data, the opinions of members of the sporting community to injury and injury risk reduction methods, and the development and effect of interventions aimed at reducing the risk of injury.

Graduates with a minimum of a 2.1 degree in Athletic Therapy and Training, an interest in pursuing research in the areas of study outlined above, and an interest in contributing to the teaching of elements of the undergraduate Athletic Therapy and Training degree programmes at DCU, are invited to develop a one-page research proposal entitled “The development of injury prevention programmes in University Gaelic Games using an evidence based approach”, and submit to the address given below.

School/Research Group:	School of Health and Human Performance – Biomechanics, Musculoskeletal and Athletic Therapy research Cluster in Health
Qualification	Ph.D
Bursary	Full fees will be paid for four years. A minimum stipend of €12,000 per annum for four years
Contract Type	Full-time
Duties	Contribution to the delivery of teaching (lectures, practicals, tutorials and/or placement supervision) of the BSc in Athletic Therapy and Training of up to 6 hours per week over the course of their PhD studies.
Closing Date	2 nd of August 2019
Interview date:	13-16 th of August, 2019
Start Date:	2 nd September 2019

Candidate specification

Mandatory

- Honours degree with minimum upper second class honour in Athletic Therapy and Training or a cognate area.
- Experience working with sports teams.
- Be a Certified Athletic Therapist and member of Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland or the National Athletic Trainers Association or Canadian Athletic Therapists Association.
- Have professional indemnity insurance.
- Have excellent IT, analytical, presentational and report writing skills.
- Be motivated and able to work independently as well as part of a team.

Desirable

- Experience collecting baseline athlete screening data.
- Experience working with Gaelic Games teams.
- Experience in analysing data.

Interested applicants should submit a Curriculum Vitae with cover letter and the one-page research proposal to siobhan.oconnor@dcu.ie by the 2nd of August.

Applicants currently awaiting final year results of an undergraduate degree programme and certification examination results must indicate when they would have access to these final results.

Informal enquires to either:

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Dr. Siobhán O'Connor - email: siobhan.oconnor@dcu.ie

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