

Candidate Information

Position: Research Fellow - Ballynahatty Project
School/Department: Culture and Society
Reference: 22/109542
Closing Date: Monday 7 February 2022
Salary: £34,304 per annum
Anticipated Interview Date: Wednesday 16 February 2022
Duration: Available until 31/08/2022

JOB PURPOSE:

To be a lead member of the research project/team assisting in the planning and delivery of research publication of the Ballynahatty archaeological Project, combining writing and editorial duties with the preparation of the site archive.

MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Undertake secondary research activities relating to the excavated materials, archive and reports of the fieldwork to enable final synthesis, writing, editing and preparation of text and figures, in consultation with the excavator (Hartwell) and the project manager (Malone).
2. To complete any relevant and agreed additional studies, experiments, critical evaluation and interpretation, computer-based data analysis and evaluation and library research in consultation with the excavator and project manager.
3. Write up results of own work and contribute to the production of the research report and its publications and proposals for future research.
4. Carry out routine administrative duties as requested, e.g. arranging research group meetings, maintaining research group minutes reports and outreach.
5. Read academic papers, journals and textbooks to keep abreast of developments.
6. Carry out any other duties designated by a project manager and which fall within the general ambit of the post.

Planning and Organising:

1. Plan own day-to-day activity within the framework of the agreed research programme.
2. Contribute to the planning of the research project, reports and publications within the period of the project.

Resource Management Responsibilities:

1. Ensure research resources are used in an effective and efficient manner.
2. Provide guidance as required to support staff and any students who may be assisting with research.

Internal and External Relationships:

1. Liaise with research colleagues and support staff on routine matters.
2. Make internal and external contacts to develop knowledge and understanding and form relationships for future collaboration.
3. Attend and contribute to relevant meetings.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Normally have or be about to obtain a relevant PhD.
2. At least 3 years relevant research experience to include:
 - Proven Post-Doctoral research in prehistory.
 - Research publication experience in the editing and production of research monographs .
3. Demonstrable practical experience of applying specialist skills and techniques required for the role.
4. Sufficient breadth or depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques to work within own area.

5. Proven record of team-working in research post-excavation and publication.
6. Experience in administration of research projects and reporting processes.
7. Demonstrable ability to contribute to method improvement where required, including application of digital approaches to archives, GIS, and preparation of illustrative materials.
8. Excellent written English and proven editorial skills.
9. Demonstrable ability to interact with research colleagues and support staff.
10. Proven ability to analyse and communicate effectively.
11. Proven ability to complete projects in a timely and efficient manner.
12. Excellent interpersonal skills.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. A PhD in European Prehistory.
2. Knowledge of recent research of Neolithic Ireland.
3. Publications in journals and monographs as assistant author or editor.
4. Post graduate research experience with post-excavation research.
5. Experience of working with post-excavation teams in the production of publications and archives.
6. Experience in editing academic writing, catalogues and illustration.
7. Previous experience working with research groups within a time-limited programme.