



Candidate Information

Position:	Research Assistant
School/Department:	School of Arts, English and Languages
Reference:	22/110411
Closing Date:	Monday 5 December 2022
Salary:	£29,619 per annum.
Anticipated Interview Date:	Wednesday 11 January 2023
Duration:	Fixed term for 12 months

JOB PURPOSE:

Funded by the NI Department for Communities, the post holder will assist with, and contribute to, research on the Northern Ireland Place-Name Project (NIPNP). The project is concerned with the origins and meanings of local place-names, the majority of which originated in the Irish language.

MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Assist with research, under the mentorship of Professor Míchéal Ó Mainnín, for the Northern Ireland Place-Name Project (NIPNP).
2. Contribute to the preparation and proofing of both qualitative and quantitative data for publication online under the supervision of the project mentor.
3. Write up findings of own work and contribute to publications as part of the project team.
4. Read academic papers and textbooks, as necessary, to become familiar with core elements of the discipline.
5. Carry out routine administrative duties as required, e.g. preparing documentation for research team meetings.
6. Carry out any other duties designated by the mentor which fall within the general ambit of the post.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. A first-class honours degree in Irish language and literature.
2. Demonstrable understanding of the operational requirements for a successful research project.
3. Experience with information technology.
4. Experience of writing up research findings in academic format.
5. Fluency in Irish commensurate with age and stage.
6. Excellent communication skills (oral, written, presentation).
7. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
8. Ability to assess and organise resources.
9. Ability to work on own initiative and as part of a team.
10. Ability to plan and organise workload to meet standards and deadlines.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. A postgraduate qualification in Irish.
2. Experience of collaborative research and effective working in a team.
3. Experience with database management.