

Job Description

Comp ID:	038147
Job Title:	Assistant Professor in Health Policy and Public Health
School/Department:	Discipline of Public Health and Primary Care, School of Medicine
Job Category and Level:	Academic; Assistant Professor

The Purpose of the Role

This is a Five-Year Fixed Term, Tenure Track, full-time post as Assistant Professor in Health Policy and Public Health. The successful applicant will contribute to research, undergraduate and postgraduate teaching in the Discipline of Public Health and Primary Care (PHPC). They will be the Course Director of the MSc in Health Policy and Management; an interdisciplinary postgraduate one-year (full time) and two year (part-time) taught programme housed within the Centre for Health Policy and Management (CHPM). The post holder will guide the development and growth of the MSc in Health Policy and Management in partnership with other taught programmes in the Discipline including new material on public health, health systems and policy in Year 1 of the School of Medicine curriculum. The successful candidate will be an excellent academic from any field of health policy, public health, health economics, health management or related social science discipline. They will have a strong record in post-graduate teaching, including postgraduate supervision and a good track record in research, including high quality publications. They will also have experience of translating high quality research into policy at the national level. Further they will have a proven ability for effective and strategic leadership in the Centre, Discipline and School.

Context

The Trinity Centre for Health Policy and Management is an interdisciplinary centre, located in the Discipline of Public Health and Primary Care in the School of Medicine. The Centre has an active research and teaching portfolio, with a strong track record of impacting on health systems and policy decisions for the public good. This is an important and strategic role as research and teaching are core to the work of the Centre, teaching the next generation of health system and policy managers and leaders, including the development of high-quality PhD applicants.

The Centre for Health Policy and Management seeks to appoint an Assistant Professor in Health Policy and Public Health. The successful candidate will contribute to research, postgraduate and undergraduate teaching in the Discipline of Public Health and Primary Care, lead the MSc in Health Policy and Management, develop spin-off courses at post-graduate level and other courses accessible to health professionals e.g. CPD and micro credentials and have an active research portfolio.

Main Responsibilities

Teaching

- Delivery of high-class teaching at both undergraduate (leading the health systems and policy teaching in the new Year 1 module 'Society, Systems and People' and supporting health policy and public health teaching and assessment in the Year 4 PHPC module) and postgraduate levels and a commitment to the development of new modes of teaching in Health Policy, Public Health and Population Health in the Centre, Discipline, School, and College
- Provide academic leadership as Director of the MSc Health Policy and Management and expand the MSc in Health Policy and Management to a minimum of 20 students annually
- Coordinate and collaborate with learning and engagement activities for students at the Centre for Health Policy and Management, primarily for the MSc in Health Policy and Management but also for other post-graduate offerings including the SPHeRE PhD programme, CPD, micro-credentials and other course offerings.

Research

- Contribute to the overall research profile of the Trinity Centre for Health Policy and Management, the Discipline of Public Health and Primary Care and the School of Medicine
- Maintain a track-record of publications and funded research (winning grants; leading and collaborating on research projects) in line with the Assistant Professor grade
- Develop and sustain intersectoral and international research collaborations that align with the strategic objectives of the Centre for Health Policy and Management and the Discipline of Public Health and Primary Care
- Mentor junior researchers and/or doctoral supervision
- Support postgraduate students to link with potential dissertation supervisors and collaborating partners across the Discipline and School.

Standard Duties

- Contribute towards the future development of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes
- Contribute to published research with outputs in journals of high standing

- Contribute towards the advancement of Health Policy and Public Health research within the Centre, Discipline, School, and College
- Undertake appropriate administrative and leadership roles in CHPM, the Discipline, School and University.

Person Requirements

The role-holder will require the following knowledge, skills and attributes for successful performance in the role.

Qualifications

- Excellent academic record and PhD (or equivalent) in Health Policy and Public Health or a related discipline
- Academic publications in peer reviewed international journals
- Experience of leading Health Policy and Public Health research and attracting national, European, and/or international funding.

Knowledge & Experience

The successful candidate will be expected to clearly demonstrate the following:

Teaching

- Experience in teaching at undergraduate and/or postgraduate level using traditional, e-learning and/or asynchronous approaches
- Experience in assessment design and delivery
- Experience in curriculum development, student recruitment, and course management
- Experiencing supervising students at postgraduate level
- Experience or knowledge of working in the Irish health system;
- Ability and willingness to teach outside of immediate area of specialisation.

Research & Scholarship

- An established record of conducting excellent research in health systems, policy and management and population health
- A record of funded research and evidence of a research plan building to a trajectory of research excellence and success

• Track record in winning research grants and carrying out health systems and policy research.

Administration, Contribution to University and Engagement with Discipline & Society

- Organisational skills necessary for the performance of teaching, research, and administration requirements of the role of Assistant Professor and Course Director
- Ability to lead both the academic and administrative aspects of the MSc Health Policy and Management, with a focus on developing and maintaining a high-quality programme with international recognition
- Ability to undertake administrative responsibilities as required by the Centre, Discipline, School and University
- Participation in Centre, Discipline, School staff and student meetings and events
- Ability to represent the School and University on appropriate national and international advisory boards and professional bodies.

Skills

- Planning and organisational skills, particularly coordinating postgraduate teaching programmes
- Well-developed written and verbal communication skills and interpersonal skills
- Team working skills as well as ability to work autonomously.

Personal attributes

- Career driven, enthusiastic and motivated
- Collaborative and collegial worker, committed to strong coordination across multiple postgraduate programmes
- Commitment to own professional development.

Application Information

In order to assist the selection process, candidates should submit the following:

- Cover letter (1x A4 page)
- Full curriculum vitae including a list of publications and the names and contact details of 3 referees (e-mail addresses if possible)
- Teaching statement (summarising teaching experience and approach 2 pages maximum)
- Research plan (summarising areas of research interest 2 pages maximum)

Further Information

Informal enquiries about this post should be made to Dr Sara Burke: burkes17@tcd.ie