

New PhD Opportunity

Communication disabilities and conversational success: Relevance-based pragmatic universals to support interaction (Arabic study arm)

Supervisor: Dr Caroline Jagoe

Applicants are sought for a fully-funded four-year PhD Project addressing exploring how, why and for whom communication partner strategies work in terms of pragmatic processing. This cross-language study will include data in both Arabic and English and be conducted in Lebanon and Ireland.

The award covers tuition fees and an annual stipend of €18,500.

Requirements

Applicants <u>must</u> fulfil the following criteria to be eligible for consideration:

- 1. Qualified speech and language therapist
- 2. Fluent in Lebanese Arabic
- 3. Willing and able to be located in Beirut for approximately 2 years of data collection, with the remaining time in Dublin.

The following are desirable:

- 1. A Master's degree in speech & language therapy or related field (with professional qualification as a speech & language therapist)
- 2. An interest in pragmatics, with some knowledge of pragmatic theory
- 3. Experience in recruiting research participants and conducting data collection

Application Process

The deadline for the initial step in the application process is 5pm on Monday **22nd August 2022**. Late applications will not be accepted. Informal enquiries should be made to Caroline Jagoe (<u>cjagoe@tcd.ie</u>). Applications should be emailed to Caroline Jagoe (<u>cjagoe@tcd.ie</u>) and should include:

- 1. A curriculum vitae (including the names of **<u>two</u>** referees).
- 2. A cover letter (**maximum** 1000 words) outlining the applicant's suitability for the PhD position.

The successful applicant will subsequently apply to register as a PhD student through the Trinity College Dublin central portal, but must meet all requirements for registration in order to be eligible for this funding award. Postgraduate admission requirements are available here:

https://www.tcd.ie/study/apply/admission-requirements/postgraduate/

The successful applicant will be required to provide evidence of English language competence following the award offer and before registering.