



Job advertisement- UCD Part-time Research Assistant JTRG: Just Transition Research Group

Position summary

UCD Earth Institute in cooperation with the UCD Energy Institute's NexSys project are creating a Just Transition Research Group. The project aims to create a knowledge platform around the topic of "just transition to a low carbon future". Broadly, the project will explore how a just transition can be achieved in different sectors like energy, transport, agriculture, fashion, infrastructure among others. The project will stimulate dialogue, create a database of just transition-related materials, and disseminate knowledge. The knowledge gained will be a valuable basis for further research in just transition.

We seek a part-time Research Assistant for six months, who will work with us on building this platform for two days a week starting in December 2022- June 2023. The ideal candidate will be interested in conducting documentary research, establishing relationships with between different stakeholders (academic, industry, policymakers), organise workshops and attend dissemination activities on the topic. The successful candidate will work under the supervision of Dr. Aparajita Banerjee and Dr. Geertje Schuitema and will be a part of a larger interdisciplinary team of Business, Engineering, Architecture and Social Sciences faculty members.

Salary:

Research Assistant scale €27,380-€31,049 pro rata / €14-16 per hour, depending on experience.

Detailed Job Description

The successful candidate will take on the role of:

- Carry out web-based and document research on the existing literature on just transition, create databases to manage and share this information
- Identify potential members of the platform in Ireland and worldwide
- Assist in creating and maintaining a website on just transition
- Assist in organising workshops and a conference
- Liaise with other research groups in UCD on cross-cutting themes
- Project administration & other relevant tasks

Requirements

Candidates are required to have a master's degree in a relevant discipline (including but not limited to sociology, public policy, human geography, anthropology, psychology) with previous experience in desk-top research and project administration. Candidates with a research-based master's degree are highly encouraged to apply.

Other requirements include

- academic-level English writing skills (verbal and written)
- good organizational and time management skills
- the ability to work collaboratively with a team of interdisciplinary researchers
- Experience in website design and maintenance

How to apply:

Please send a PDF of your i) 1-page cover letter (outlining why you think you are suitable for the role), ii) CV iii) contact information of one academic referee, and iv) a 3-5 page writing sample (manuscript-in-progress/ dissertation chapter, first author publication or term paper) to aparajita.banerjee@ucd.ie by Tuesday, November 15th 2022, 5 pm, Irish Standard Time.