

Call for TU Dublin Access and Outreach STEM Tutors/Senior Demonstrators 2024/2025

TU Dublin [Access & Outreach] is recruiting a panel of **STEM Tutors/Senior Demonstrators** who may be called upon during the 2024/2025 academic year.

The role of the **STEM Tutor/Senior Demonstrator** is focused on supporting the delivery of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and non-STEM activities in Primary and Secondary Schools. Working alongside staff in Access and Outreach and classroom teachers, tutors/senior demonstrators will assist in the development and delivery of educational workshops aimed at engaging primary and secondary school students and enhancing their learning experiences.

This is a varied role that requires experience in education and/or in public engagement activities, and an understanding of how diverse socio-economic backgrounds and experiences can impact student learning. Applicants will need to demonstrate strong skills in science communication, teamwork, relationship development and organisational skills.

Principal Accountabilities

- 1. Support and assist Access & Outreach staff in the delivery of STEM workshops, tutorials and outreach activities both on-site (TU Dublin Campus) and off-site in Primary and Secondary Schools.
- 2. Contribute to the planning and development of instructional materials and activities that meet the needs of students and teachers, in line with curriculum guidelines (e.g., the Irish Primary School Curriculum).
- 3. Support and assist students during STEM-related activities, ensuring they understand the scientific principles behind their work and stay engaged throughout the process.
- 4. Motivate students and encourage active participation in the activities.
- 5. Support efforts to broaden the participation of students from diverse cultures, languages, and socio-economic backgrounds in STEM learning.
- 6. Contribute to creating an inclusive learning environment that promotes equity in science education.
- 7. Assist with project communications and digital outreach, including via blogs, social media, and other channels as needed.
- 8. Support research activities such as facilitating data collection for project-related tasks.

- 9. Maintain accurate records as required by TU Dublin policies and procedures and ensure completion of relevant documentation on time (e.g., attendance, payment schedules, etc.).
- 10. Participate in team meetings and contribute to project-related discussions.
- 11. Complete mandatory training and participate in ongoing professional development.

Person Specification:

The ideal candidate will:

- Hold or be in the process of obtaining a third-level qualification (STEM disciplines preferred) (essential)
- Have a strong interest in STEM and STEM communication (essential)
- Be able to work as part of a team (essential)
- Enjoy working with younger students (essential)
- Experience working with younger students or carrying out outreach activities with a younger audience (essential)
- Have flexibility and be available throughout the academic year, including the summer months (essential)
- Understand the challenges faced by students from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds or with disabilities (**desirable**)
- Be committed to promoting equity in education and supporting students from diverse socioeconomic backgrounds (desirable)
- Possess strong organizational, time management, and communication skills (desirable)
- Be able to build effective working relationships with teachers and students (desirable)

Salary:

The appointee will be required to submit a part-time claim form by the designated closing date in respect of hours worked.

Payment will be monthly, and appointees will be paid at the tutor/senior demonstrator rate.

Terms & Conditions of Employment:

- Allocation hours will be dependent on workshop's/no. of students requiring support.
- The appointment of tutors/senior demonstrators is reviewed annually by the TU Dublin Access & Outreach staff and offers are made on an annual basis by the relevant Manager.
- A full statement of terms and conditions of employment will be given to the successful applicant in accordance with The Terms of Employment (Information) Acts 1994 and 2001.

Contact Details:

- If you are interested in applying, please forward a CV with cover letter including your course and year of study to <u>ana.canizares@tudublin.ie</u> by **5pm Monday December 16th** with the title "<u>TU Dublin STEM Tutor Application</u>" in the subject line.
- CVs should outline relevant experience and list the contact details of your referee/s. Documents should be scanned together as one single attachment.
- Successful Candidates will be notified in early January 2025 to advise them of the date of their interview.

In addition:

Successful candidates must:

- Be available to attend a tutor induction session at the start of the role.
- Be open to continuous professional development and willing to upskill where necessary.
- Undergo Garda Vetting as part of the selection process.

For queries please contact:

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