



## **UCC Futures**

## FOOD, MICROBIOME AND HEALTH

## **ACADEMIC POSTS**

University College Cork (UCC) is a research intensive, student-centric and future-focused university. It is home to the highest number of the top 1% of the world's most influential researchers among any Irish university and is a national leader in research income generation. UCC is also recognised nationally and internationally as a leading green university. In line with its research vision, UCC Futures is an ambitious new programme of research prioritisation, coupled with an innovative academic recruitment strategy, spanning 10 strategically important indicative areas encompassing the Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, STEM, Health, Business and Law: www.ucc.ie/en/ futures/. Our ambitious new programme is creating an interdisciplinary environment of research and innovation excellence that inspires, engages and enables our researchers to deliver holistic, translatable, solutions to emerging societal needs and global grand challenges.

We are now moving to recruit the next phase of UCC Futures. Building on our long-standing reputation for research excellence across food, food business, medicine and microbiome science, UCC Futures - Food Microbiome & Health will create a research environment that is able to respond with agility to established and emerging global challenges. Working with worldleading academics and research institutions such as APC Microbiome Ireland, Tyndall National Institute and the Environmental Research Institute, and continuing our deep partnerships with Teagasc, the Health Service Executive and regional food and pharmaceutical industries. UCC Futures - Food, Microbiome and Health is uniquely placed to apply genuine inter- and transdisciplinary thinking to the complexity of global food, nutrition and health challenges.

From primary production, food processing, supply chain, consumption, nutrition and health through to consumer behaviour, marketing and food integrity, the complexity of global food systems challenges requires experts from multiple disciplines and sectors to collaborate in new and reimagined ways. The development of just and equitable solutions to these challenges, in alignment with global and institutional sustainability goals and economic growth, requires researchers of excellence who mine the very frontiers of curiosity and inquiry at the intersection of disciplines. UCC Futures - Food Microbiome & Health is a once in a generation opportunity to generate an ecosystem that will maximise the potential of our academic expertise and provide tangible, impactful, solutions in response to one of the most important global challenges of our time.

Applications are currently sought for 14 academic positions in the area of Food, Microbiome and Health. The appointment of researchers of excellence, from

Lecturer to Professor, will connect disciplines and research strengths across the University, mapping to existing research strengths within the College of Science, Engineering & Food Science, the College of Business and Law and the College of Medicine & Health. Applications are particularly welcome from those with a disruptive and transformative research focus in one or more of the following positions (www.ucc.ie/en/futures/):

- Professor (Scale 2) in Human Nutrition and Dietetics
- Professor / Consultant in Oral Medicine
- Senior Lecturer in Innovative Food Formulation
- Senior Lecturer in Nutrition and Metabolism
- Senior Lecturer in Sports and Exercise Medicine (0.5 FTE)
- Senior Lecturer in Sustainable Dairy Processing
- Senior Lecturer in Virology and Immunology
- Lecturer in Food Waste
- Lecturer in Global Nutrition
- **Lecturer in Nutritional Dairy Ingredients**
- Senior Lecturer in Microbiome Science
- Lecturer in Microbiome and Health (x 2; in any one of these indicative fields)
  - Mucosal immunology
  - Neuroinflammation
  - Biostatistics and AI model development
  - Cancer and the microbiome
  - Environmental microbiomes
- Chair / Professor in Medical Microbiology Opening soon.

Applicants are expected to have a record of leadership and academic potential, with a portfolio of significant research accomplishments, collaborative engagements, and tangible translation to substantive impact. The successful applicant will be expected to contribute to teaching at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. The successful applicant will be supported in embedding and enhancing their research activities, with a particular focus on the acquisition of funding through the European Research Council programme.

For an information package including full details of the posts, selection criteria and application process see https://ore.ucc.ie/. The University, at its discretion, may undertake to make an additional appointment(s) from this competition following the conclusion of the process.

University College Cork is committed to being a fully inclusive global university which actively recruits, supports and retains colleagues from all sectors of society.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) are core values under our UCC 2022 Strategic Plan. UCC holds a Bronze Athena SWAN award in recognition of our commitment to advancing equality in higher education. We value diversity as well as celebrate, support and thrive on the contributions of all our employees and the communities they represent. We are proud to be an equal opportunities employer and encourage applications from everybody, regardless of age, caregiving status, disability, ethnicity, gender and/or gender identity or expression status, nationality, marital status/civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion/creed, and/or sexual orientation. We are committed to supporting all staff through flexible working schemes, family-friendly policies, training and development, and staff networks. We value the enrichment that comes from a diverse community and seek to promote equality, prevent discrimination and protect the human rights of each individual in line with equality legislation. We encourage applicants to consult our Dignity and Respect Policy and learn more about our EDI related initiatives.

Applications must be submitted online via the University College Cork vacancy portal (<a href="https://ore.ucc.ie/">https://ore.ucc.ie/</a>). Queries relating to the online application process should be referred to <a href="mailto:uccfuturesrecruitment@ucc.ie">uccfuturesrecruitment@ucc.ie</a>, quoting the job-title.

Candidates should apply, in confidence, **before 12 noon** (Irish Local Time) on Thursday, 16th February 2023.

No late applications will be accepted.

University College Cork is an equal opportunities employer. We encourage you to reach out to us directly should you require assistance or reasonable accommodation during the recruitment process.

Please note that an appointment to posts advertised will be dependent on University approval, together with the terms of the employment control framework for the higher education sector.

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