

**Title:** Librarian/School Administrator  
**Reporting to:** School Director

**General conditions attaching to the Post:**

**Background**

The Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies (DIAS) is an independent statutory research body established in 1940. Through its three constituent Schools, it pursues fundamental research in celtic studies, theoretical physics and cosmic physics. DIAS is funded by and reports directly to the Department of Education & Skills.

**Library**

The library in the School of Theoretical Physics is a specialist research library. It houses one of the best collections of material in theoretical physics in Ireland comprising books and periodicals. The library is open to all staff members of the Institute and to the School's research associates. The library is also a member of ALCID which means that the Library's collections can also be accessed by all full-time academics, academic related staff and registered students reading for higher degrees in each of the participating libraries. Numerous other visiting academics from abroad come to the School and use the resources of the Library.

The collection includes books on the history of mathematics, pure and applied mathematics, theoretical and mathematical physics as well as donated collections such as the De Valera library of scientific books. The library also has subscriptions, with electronic access in some cases, to a specialist collection of mathematics and physics journals.

**Status of Appointment**

The appointment will be on a full-time, pensionable basis. The person appointed will be required to serve a probationary period of one year and if his/her service is satisfactory his/her appointment will be confirmed by Council at the end of the probationary period. If it becomes clear that the person is unsuitable for permanent appointment owing to his/her failure to satisfy Council as regards attendance, conduct or general efficiency, his/her appointment may be terminated.

**Location of Post**

The post is based at 10 Burlington Road but the person may be required to serve at any of DIAS' other premises.

**Salary**

The salary scale attaching to the post is €31,887, €33,501, €35,080, €37,224, €39,405, €41,233, €43,058, €44,896, €46,707, €48,597, €50,492 For persons entering the Public Sector for the first time, the starting pay will be at the first point of the scale.

**Hours of Work**

The person will be required to work 37 hours net per week, Monday to Friday.

### **Annual Leave**

The annual leave allowance for the post is 23 working days, rising to 24 after 5 years service and to 25 after 10 years service. This is exclusive of bank and public holidays but inclusive of Christmas closure days. Leave is granted in accordance with the Organisation and Working time Act 1997. The statutory leave allowance (20 days) must be taken in the leave year in which it accrues or within six months of the start of the next leave year.

### **Sick Leave**

Subject to the terms of the sick leave scheme, (Public Service Management Sick Leave Regulations, SI 124 of 2014 and relevant Circulars issued by the Department of Public Expenditure & Reform), the maximum *uncertified* sick leave allowance of full time staff is seven days in a rolling period of twenty-four months. Certified sick leave entitlements are as follows.

- (i) *Ordinary Sick Pay*: A maximum of 92 days (includes weekends etc.) on full pay in a one year period, followed by a maximum of 91 days (includes weekends etc.) on half pay, subject to a maximum of 183 days (includes weekends etc.) in a rolling 4 year period.
- (ii) *Critical Illness Sick Pay*: Access to a maximum of 183 days (includes weekends etc.) on full pay, followed by a maximum of 182 days (includes weekends etc.) on half pay, subject to a maximum of 365 days (includes weekends etc.) in a rolling four year period.
- (iii) *Temporary Rehabilitation Pay*: Following periods of sick leave there will be a provision for Temporary Rehabilitation Pay for individuals who need a longer period of time to address their health needs.

### **Pension**

Pension terms and retirement age conditions will depend on the status of the successful appointee. In general:

(a) An individual who has no prior pensionable Public Service history in the 26 weeks prior to appointment will be a member of the Single Public Service Pension Scheme (Public Service Pensions (Single Scheme and Other Provisions) Act 2012). Under this scheme, the present retirement age is set at 66 years but this will rise in step with statutory changes in the State Pension Contributory (SPC) age to 67 years in 2021 and 68 years in 2028. Retirement is compulsory upon reaching 70 years of age.

(b) An individual who was a member of a “pre-existing public service pension scheme” as construed by the Public Service Pensions (Single Scheme and Other Provisions) Act 2012 and who does not qualify for membership of the Single Scheme will have appropriate pension terms under the DIAS Staff Superannuation Scheme (details available from the Registrar’s Office). The retirement age conditions will depend on whether the individual is a 2004 new entrant or non-new entrant for the purposes of the Public Service Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2004. In the case of an individual who is deemed to be a 2004 new entrant, there is currently no specified retirement age. The minimum age at which pension is payable is 65. In the case of an individual who is deemed to be a non-new entrant, retirement is compulsory on reaching 65 years of age. The minimum age at which pension is payable is 60.

The minimum service to achieve pensionability is two years. Deductions in accordance with the scheme rules will be made from the commencement date.

At the time of being offered an appointment, DIAS will, in the light of the appointee’s previous Public Service (and/or other) employment history, determine the appropriate pension terms and conditions to

apply for the duration of the appointment. Appointees will be required to disclose their full public service history. Details of the appropriate superannuation provisions will be provided upon determination of appointee's status.

It should be noted there is a 40-year limit on total service that can be counted towards pension where a person has been a member of more than one existing public service pension scheme will. This 40-year limit, which is provided for in the Public Service Pensions (Single Scheme and other Provisions) Act 2012 came into effect on 28 July 2012. This may have implications for any appointee who has acquired pension rights in a previous public service employment.

### **Medical Examination**

Appointment will be subject to the candidate undergoing a satisfactory medical examination.