

## Job Description

<b>Job Title:</b>	<b>Technician – Health and Sport Sciences</b>	<b>Vacancy ID:</b>	<b>039907</b>
<b>Department:</b>	<b>Health and Sport Sciences</b>	<b>Primary Campus:</b>	<b>Carlow</b>
<b>Reporting to:</b>	<b>Head of Department of Health and Sport Sciences</b>	<b>Contract Duration:</b>	<b>1 year</b>
<b>Commencement Date:</b>	<b>Immediate</b>	<b>Contract Type:</b>	<b>Specified Purpose</b>

<b>Salary:</b>	Technician salary scale: €39,303 - €55,433 <i>(based on rates effective 01/02/2026)</i>
<b>Hours of Work:</b>	To be on duty for not less than 36.5 hours per week. Hours of work may be allocated between the hours of 8.00am and 10.00pm. Monday to Friday inclusive. No member of the staff will be required to work on more than one night per week as part of the 36.5-hour week. Staff who agree to work additional nights or at weekends (subject to the provisions of the Working-time Act) will be paid overtime at the rate approved from time to time.
<b>Annual Leave:</b>	24 days annual leave. Annual Leave will be in accordance with arrangements authorised by the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science from time to time.

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*A standby panel may be formed from which vacancies for this role may be filled.*

<b>Information about Department/Function</b>
<p>The Department of Health and Sport Sciences is a vibrant and energetic department within the Faculty of Health Science. The Department offers programmes in the areas of Health Science, Sport Science, Sports Rehabilitation, and Strength and Conditioning. With excellent laboratory facilities and strong links with industry and the community our students develop the skills, knowledge and experience to meet the demands of their future roles. All of our programmes offer work placement opportunities, both internationally and at home, so that students can develop their skills and gain valuable experience in the real world.</p> <p>In the Department of Health and Sport Sciences we are working on exciting research across a variety of areas. The pillars of Men's Health, Performance Science and Rehabilitation Science form our healthCORE, with a focus on health, performance enhancement and injury prevention and treatment.</p>
<b>Overview of Role &amp; Context</b>
<p>The Technician – Health and Sport Sciences is responsible for the preparation, calibration, use and maintenance of equipment for the delivery of undergraduate programmes in the areas of Sport and Exercise Science, Strength and Conditioning and Sport Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy, and also support of research in our HealthCORE research group.</p>

The Technician has responsibility for all equipment associated with Athletic Therapy including laser, ultrasound, interferential, shockwave, plinths, and rehabilitation equipment.

Support of metabolic systems, isokinetic dynamometry, force plates (integrated and portable), EMG, electronic timing systems, motion analysis, Optojump, accelerometry, clinical chemistry systems, osmometry, and ergometers including high speed and non-motorised treadmills, cycle and rowing ergometers is also part of this position.

The Technician also plays a key role in laboratory management, procurement and health and safety. The job requires an energetic, enthusiastic person with excellent communication skills as well as a broad-based knowledge of sport and exercise sciences, strength and conditioning and sport rehabilitation.

### **Key Responsibilities / Duties:**

The Technician will responsible for:

- Supporting practical laboratory classes for academic programmes in Sport and Exercise Science, Strength and Conditioning and Sport Rehabilitation.
- Organising, preparing and setting up for practical classes, demonstrations, assessments, practical examinations, project and research work in laboratory and other areas.
- Installing and testing of software, making software available to appropriate users, ensuring anti-virus software is installed and kept up to date
- Ensuring that laboratories, materials and equipment are kept clean, tidy and in good order
- Assisting in programme quality assurance and development
- Organising, assisting and advising staff and students doing project work and project reports at certificate, diploma, degree and postgraduate level
- Carrying out and assisting with research
- Assisting and advising lecturers and students on the safe operation and use of equipment and materials in laboratories and research areas.
- Organising, preparing and setting up equipment and materials for practical examinations
- Writing and updating technical instruction manuals for staff and students
- Carrying out safety audits in all areas of operation in cooperation with other grades of staff
- Monitoring, testing and recording of condition of safety equipment, class materials to comply with Health and Safety Regulations and other Regulations specific to work area.
- Arranging for safe disposal of used materials eg biological, chemical and materials containing toxic, hazardous and volatile materials
- Repairing maintaining, securing and storing of laboratory equipment
- Securing and storing of consumable materials
- Stock control of equipment and consumable materials
- Assisting in consulting with suppliers of equipment and consumable materials and assist in obtaining technical specifications, quotations and ordering new equipment and consumable materials.
- Taking delivery of new equipment and consumable materials and commissioning of new equipment
- Periodic assistance with major system and infrastructural projects within the department.
- Ensuring all work is undertaken in compliance with internal policies and procedures
- Assisting in agreeing and monitoring service level agreements
- Participate in ongoing training and professional development
- Undertake such other appropriate duties as may be assigned from time to time by the institute authorities.

Person Specifications		
Attributes	Essential	Desirable
<b>Academic Qualifications</b>	A relevant Ordinary (Level 7) Degree or equivalent professional qualification.	A relevant Honours (Level 8) Degree or higher.
<b>Experience</b>	A minimum of 1 year's relevant postgraduate work experience.	Postgraduate experience in a similar role in the higher education sector.  A minimum of 3 years' relevant postgraduate work experience.
<b>Specific Knowledge &amp; Skills</b>	Strong level of technical aptitude and problem-solving skills with specific emphasis on attention to detail.  Excellent interpersonal, communication and organisational skills and the ability to multi-task.	
<b>I.T. Skills</b>		Competence in the effective use of Microsoft Office applications (including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook) for administrative, reporting, and communication purposes.
<b>Specific Personal Qualities</b>	Self-motivated with an aptitude for creative problem solving, along with the flexibility to adapt to new tools and techniques.  Ability to be able to work individually and as part of a team.  A strong commitment to on-going personal and professional development.	
<b>Other</b>	This vacancy has a contract duration of less than two years. Under Irish employment permit regulations, positions of this duration do not qualify for a <a href="#">Critical Skills Employment Permit</a> . Applicants are required to hold a valid permission to work in Ireland. It is important to note that this vacancy cannot support a Critical Skills Permit application, if such a permit is required by an applicant.	

## Application Process

Applications must be made through the online recruitment system on SETU's Vacancies page on the website.

Applications will not be accepted by email, any other third-party website or in any other format.

Please log onto [SETU Recruitment](#) for further details and to apply for this position.

At a minimum candidates must demonstrate in their application that they possess all of the essential elements applicable in the person specification. Candidates will initially be shortlisted based on the essential specifications and may be further shortlisted according to the desirable specifications. The University will then decide to interview only those applicants who appear from the information available, to be the most suitable, in terms of experience, qualifications and other requirements of the post.

Candidates should keep a **copy** of the Job Description for their file as this will be needed for review should their application progress.

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