



HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

**Research Assistant - Economic history  
Duanaire  
Whitaker Institute  
Ref. no. NUIG 024-15**

Duanaire at NUI Galway invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for a full-time fixed-term (12 months) position as a Research Assistant to begin in April 2015. Duanaire aims to open up a wealth of Irish economic history data, and in particular, Irish historical fiscal and trade data, by making accessible online a range of datasets in flexible forms for diverse audiences. Duanaire is led by Dr Aidan Kane (Economics at NUI Galway) and partners with the Whitaker Institute, the Moore Institute, and the James Hardiman Library at NUI Galway.

**Job description**

This is an opportunity for growth for an early stage researcher who wishes to participate as a member of a research team capturing and analysing data on Ireland's 18<sup>th</sup> century international trade from digitised manuscript records. Details of the project are at [www.duanaire.ie/trade](http://www.duanaire.ie/trade)

The role will involve processing digital images, preparation of templates, cleaning data, data entry, conducting secondary literature reviews, the analysis of research results, and contributing to the dissemination of results through the preparation of working papers and representing the project at relevant conferences. The research assistant will work under the supervision of Dr Aidan Kane, as principal investigator, and will receive mentoring and training as well as the opportunity to contribute to academic publications arising from the project.

**Qualifications**

Candidates should have completed a postgraduate degree, ideally in economics, history, economic/history, or related disciplines, preferably with quantitative components. Candidates should have a strong academic record, and good IT skills. Programming, and experience with database and web technologies, would be distinct advantages. Candidates should demonstrate a capacity for careful work and attention to detail.

**Salary:** €21,850 per annum (public sector pay rules pertaining to new entrants apply). Employment permit restrictions apply to this category of post.

**Start date:** the position is available from April 2015.

Further information on research and working at NUI Galway is available on [Research at NUI Galway](http://Research at NUI Galway)

For information on moving to Ireland please see [www.euraxess.ie](http://www.euraxess.ie)

Informal enquiries about this post may be made to: Dr Aidan Kane [aidan.kane@nuigalway.ie](mailto:aidan.kane@nuigalway.ie)

**To apply:** email a cover letter and a CV, (to include the contact details of two referees) as pdf files only to: Gwen Ryan [gwen.ryan@nuigalway.ie](mailto:gwen.ryan@nuigalway.ie)

Please put reference number **NUIG-024-15** in the subject line of your email.

**Closing date for receipt of applications is 5.00pm Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015**  
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