

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity
Doherty Department
Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry & Health Sciences

Academic Specialist (Tuberculosis)

POSITION NO	0051251
CLASSIFICATION	Level B
SALARY	\$105,232 - \$124,958 p.a. (pro rata for part-time)
SUPERANNUATION	Employer contribution of 9.5%
WORKING HOURS	Part-time (0.4 FTE)
BASIS OF EMPLOYMENT	Fixed term contract available for 12 months
OTHER BENEFITS	https://about.unimelb.edu.au/careers/staff-benefits
HOW TO APPLY	Online applications are preferred. Go to http://about.unimelb.edu.au/careers , select the relevant option ('Current Opportunities' or 'Jobs available to current staff'), then find
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Position Summary

The Academic Specialist (Tuberculosis) will enhance the research capacity and impact of the Victorian Tuberculosis Program (VTP) at the Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity (Doherty Institute). This will include initiating and participating in collaborative clinical and public health research and supporting translation of best available evidence into policy and practice.

The Academic Specialist (Tuberculosis) will also contribute to the academic development of the VTP through participation in wider unit activities, including preparation of educational materials, research supervision of staff and students, and contribution to reports and grant applications.

We foster a values-based culture of innovation and creativity to enhance the research performance of the University and to achieve excellence in teaching and research outcomes.

We invest in developing the careers and wellbeing of our students and staff and expect all our leaders to live our values of:

- Collaboration and teamwork
- Compassion
- Respect
- Integrity
- Accountability

1. Key Responsibilities

1.1 RESEARCH AND RESEARCH TRAINING

- Develop and initiate clinical and public health research activities relevant to tuberculosis
- Facilitate VTP participation in collaborative research activities, nationally and internationally
- Supervision of junior research staff and RHD students
- Contribution to reports and grant applications related to research.

1.2 TEACHING AND LEARNING

- Contribute to teaching, training, scientific mentoring and supervision of students and new laboratory staff as required
- Prepare and update VTP policies and guidelines to align with best practice and emerging evidence

1.3 SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

- Attend and actively participate in departmental seminars, meetings and/or committees
- Effective demonstration and promotion of University values including diversity and inclusion and high standards of ethics and integrity
- Undertake other duties as requested by Supervisor
- Effective training of research support staff where required
- Participation in relevant community and professional activities within the Doherty Department, Doherty Institute or externally

- Effective demonstration and promotion of University values including diversity and inclusion and high standards of ethics and integrity
- Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) and Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) responsibilities as outlined in section 4.

1.4 OTHER JOB RELATED INFORMATION

This position requires the incumbent to hold a current and valid Working with Children Check.

2. Selection Criteria

2.1 ESSENTIAL

- A PhD in a medical, public health, or relevant alternative discipline
- Experience in clinical trial design and conduct
- Experience in development and implementation of policy and procedure documents
- Demonstrated ability to carry out independent qualitative and empirical research
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, demonstrated by presentation of research results at conferences, internal forums and through manuscript submissions
- Excellent communication, organisation and presentation skills
- Demonstrated ability to work with limited supervision in a self-directed manner and as a member of a research team, and to interact in a courteous and effective manner with academic, administrative and support staff
- Strong evidence of emerging academic standing through research contributions, and possessing the ability and desire to build an academic career trajectory as demonstrated by prior awards, scholarships and/or involvement in research activities.

2.2 DESIRABLE

- Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians or Royal Australasian College of Public Health.
- Project management skills, including the demonstrated ability to drive collaborative work forward and to ensure that work is completed within requirements and achieves strategic objectives.

3. Equal Opportunity, Diversity and Inclusion

The University is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to providing a workplace free from all forms of unlawful discrimination, harassment, bullying, vilification and victimisation. The University makes decisions on employment, promotion and reward on the basis of merit.

The University is committed to all aspects of equal opportunity, diversity and inclusion in the workplace and to providing all staff, students, contractors, honorary appointees, volunteers and visitors with a safe, respectful and rewarding environment free from all forms of unlawful discrimination, harassment, vilification and victimisation. This

commitment is set out in the University's People Strategy 2015-2020 and policies that address diversity and inclusion, equal employment opportunity, discrimination, sexual harassment, bullying and appropriate workplace behaviour. All staff are required to comply with all University policies.

The University values diversity because we recognise that the differences in our people's age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, nationality, sexual orientation, physical ability and background bring richness to our work environment. Consequently, the People Strategy sets out the strategic aim to drive diversity and inclusion across the University to create an environment where the compounding benefits of a diverse workforce are recognised as vital in our continuous deserve to service for excellence and reach the targets of Growing Esteem.

4. Occupational Health and Safety (OHS)

All staff are required to take reasonable care for their own health and safety and that of other personnel who may be affected by their conduct.

OHS responsibilities applicable to positions are published at:

http://safety.unimelb.edu.au/topics/responsibilities/

These include general staff responsibilities and those additional responsibilities that apply for Managers and Supervisors and other Personnel.

5. Other Information

5.1 THE PETER DOHERTY INSTITUTE FOR INFECTION AND IMMUNITY

www.doherty.edu.au

The Doherty Institute is a world-class institute combining research, teaching, public health and reference laboratory services, diagnostic services and clinical care into infectious diseases and immunity. It was officially opened in September 2014 and is a joint venture between the University of Melbourne and Melbourne Health. The Doherty Institute has a major focus on diseases that pose serious public and global health threats such as influenza, tuberculosis, HIV, viral hepatitis, Ebola and drug resistant bacteria. The Doherty's activities are multi-disciplinary and cross-sectoral, placing great emphasis on translational research and improving clinical outcomes. Teams of scientists, clinicians and epidemiologists collaborate on a wide spectrum of activities - from basic immunology and discovery research, to the development of new vaccines and new preventative and treatment methods, to surveillance and investigation of disease outbreaks.

5.2 FACULTY OF MEDICINE, DENTISTRY AND HEALTH SCIENCES

www.mdhs.unimelb.edu.au

The Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry & Health Sciences has an enviable research record and is the University of Melbourne's largest faculty in terms of management of financial resources, employment of academic and professional staff, teaching of undergraduate and postgraduate (including research higher degree) students and the conduct of basic

and applied research. The Faculty's annual revenue is \$628m with approximately 55% of this income related to research activities.

The Faculty has a student teaching load in excess of 8,500 equivalent full-time students including more than 1,300 research higher degree students. The Faculty has approximately 2,195 staff comprising 642 professional staff and 1,553 research and teaching staff.

The Faculty has appointed Australia's first Associate Dean (Indigenous Development) to lead the development and implementation of the Faculty's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), which will be aligned with the broader University – wide plan. To enable the Faculty to improve its Indigenous expertise knowledge base, the Faculty's RAP will address Indigenous employment, Indigenous student recruitment and retention, Indigenous cultural recognition and building partnerships with the Indigenous community as key areas of development.

5.3 THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

Established in 1853, the University of Melbourne is a leading international university with a tradition of excellence in teaching and research. The main campus in Parkville is recognised as the hub of Australia's premier knowledge precinct comprising eight hospitals, many leading research institutes and a wide-range of knowledge-based industries. With outstanding performance in international rankings, the University is at the forefront of higher education in the Asia-Pacific region and the world.

The University employs people of outstanding calibre and offers a unique environment where staff are valued and rewarded.

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5.4 ADVANCING MELBOURNE

The University's strategic direction is grounded in its purpose. While its expression may change, our purpose is enduring: to benefit society through the transformative impact of education and research. Together, the vision and purpose inform the focus and scale of our aspirations for the coming decade.

Advancing Melbourne reflects the University's commitment to its people, its place, and its partners. Our aspiration for 2030 is to be known as a world-leading and globally connected Australian university, with our students at the heart of everything we do.

- We will offer students a distinctive and outstanding education and experience, preparing them for success as leaders, change agents and global citizens.
- We will be recognised locally and globally for our leadership on matters of national and global importance, through outstanding research and scholarship and a commitment to collaboration.
- We will be empowered by our sense of place and connections with communities. We will take opportunities to advance both the University and the City of Melbourne in close collaboration and synergy.
- We will deliver this through building a brilliant, diverse and vibrant University community, with strong connections to those we serve.

The means for achieving these goals include the development of the University of Melbourne's academic and professional staff and the capabilities needed to support a

modern, world-class university. Those means require a commitment to ongoing financial sustainability and an ambitious infrastructure program which will reshape the campus and our contribution to the communities we engage with. This strategy, and the priorities proposed, is centred around five intersecting themes; place, community, education, discovery and global.

5.5 GOVERNANCE

The Vice Chancellor is the Chief Executive Officer of the University and responsible to Council for the good management of the University.

Comprehensive information about the University of Melbourne and its governance structure is available at www.unimelb.edu.au.