



## Good Start Ambassador 2019/2020

### Part-time work opportunity

Reporting to the Head of AnSEO – The Student Engagement Office, the appointed Good Start Ambassadors will actively support, promote and develop student engagement activities at CIT through the Good Start programme.

#### Good Start Ambassador Role:

Do you love CIT? Do you know the ins-and-outs of your campus? Do you want to share your learnings and experiences to positively impact new students? If so, consider applying for a job as a Good Start Ambassador.

A Good Start Ambassador will help support new students to have a positive and welcoming first year experience and will provide valuable student perspective on life in CIT. If you are successful in becoming a Good Start Ambassador you will help new students settle in and feel like they belong here in CIT by running icebreakers, responding to student enquiries at the Just Ask! desk, supporting new students in exploring the opportunities available, contributing to organising events, developing and running competitions and delivering key messages in presentations to class groups. Good Start Ambassadors work alongside the staff in AnSEO – The Student Engagement Office. Training is provided for the role.

Although it's a position that requires lots of energy it can be exciting and fun to engage with new students and to show them 'the ropes' in CIT. If you are outgoing and like to interact with people this is the role for you!

#### AnSEO – The Student Engagement Office:

CIT is committed to developing and implementing actions to improve and enhance the student experience and so established AnSEO – The Student Engagement Office which is attached to the Office of the Registrar and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

**One of the key actions of AnSEO - The Student Engagement Office is the development and delivery of Good Start - CIT's first year induction programme which is planned during June and August and rolled-out throughout the first four weeks of Semester 1. Good Start also has a welcome back campaign at the beginning of Semester 2. Good Start is a national model of best practice and is important in helping new students feel welcome and part of the CIT community.**

#### Who Can Apply?

**We are looking to recruit a small team to assist in the running and event-management of Good Start 2019 and other AnSEO activities across all CIT campuses.**

The Good Start Ambassador team will be made up of students from throughout CIT and so the team will have a mix of the following skills: **Creativity, Leadership Skills, Event Management Skills, Writing Skills, Problem-solving Skills, Presentation and Public Speaking Skills, Innovation Skills, Social Media Skills, Interpersonal and Communication Skills and many more.** Having some of the skills listed is desirable however involvement in the Good Start programme will also give the successful candidate the opportunity to improve these skills. What's most important is that you are hardworking, enthusiastic and want to help new students get off to a Good Start... after all a Good Start is half the work.

To apply you must be a fully registered student in the academic year 2019/20. Students from all departments are encouraged to apply.

### Key Duties

The successful candidate will be expected to:

- Promote AnSEO programmes to students and staff through a number of events and activities
- Assist in the planning, promotion, roll out and clean-up of Good Start events and activities
- Create and maintain an upbeat communications campaign, including an extensive social media campaign, to reach target audiences in the run up to and during Good Start
- Welcome, interact and support incoming students in a positive and respectful manner at all Good Start events and activities
- Be innovative and creative in the development of competitions for Good Start 2018
- Carry out other duties as requested by AnSEO - The Student Engagement Office throughout Semester 1 and Semester 2

### WIIFM (What's in it for me?)

There are lots of reasons to get involved with life at CIT. Here are some of the reasons why you should apply for this role...

**Stand out from the crowd!** Becoming a Good Start Ambassador will make you recognisable to staff and students as a positive role model and as someone who wants to be engaged in campus life.

**Boost your CV and Upskill!** Develop the skills and competencies that employers are looking for and learn how to tell your Good Start Ambassador story through development workshops run by staff in AnSEO –The Student Engagement Office.

**Be creative and have fun while making a difference!** We encourage new ideas, creativity, making new friends and enjoyment while in the role. Your role and impact through Good Start and other AnSEO – The Student Engagement Office activities will make a positive difference in new student's experiences in CIT.

### Terms and Conditions

The successful candidate will be contracted part time from mid-May 2019 to mid-May 2020 for up to 12 hours a week, except outside of term where a student can work up to 37 hours per week. This limit is so that you can achieve the right balance between your studies, other commitments and the need to earn money to support yourself.

**NB: Once the Good Start programme of activities is completed in week 4, Good Start Ambassadors will join the wider cohort of Student Leaders and will be eligible to sign up for work available to Student Leaders in CIT.**

Payment will be at an hourly rate of €11.53 and will be paid on the basis of completed timesheets. Applicants are invited from both under graduate and post graduate level, however applicants must be registered as full-time CIT students during the academic year 2019/20. Good Start will work to fit around your timetabled classes and schedule. Please note you will be paid a week in arrears.