

The **Fionn Cycle Folklore Project** at Harvard University announces a vacancy for a

Research Associate

(full-time limited term position for a postdoctoral applicant)

or

Research Assistant

(part-time limited term position for a graduate student / applicant without a PhD)

The Fionn Cycle Folklore Project is constructing a trilingual (Gaeilge / Gàidhlig / English) online database of folklore about Fionn and the Fianna collected in Ireland, Scotland, the Isle of Man, Canada, and the United States.

Term: 2020–21 academic year. The start date and length of the appointment are flexible. Appointments usually last between four and eight months and may be renewable up to twelve months, depending on project need and subject to a performance review.

Location: Remote/work from home. Local residency is not required.

Duties: *Duties will include some or all of the following:*

Verifying data converted by web developers for presentation on the website (e.g. personal names, places)
Creating editorial content for the website (e.g. tale descriptions)
Translating labels and editorial content
Biographical research to enhance records of people in the database
Project publicity

Requirements: Strong proficiency in Modern Irish and/or Scottish Gaelic
Close attention to detail and above-average computer/digital literacy
Strong written and verbal communication skills
Ability to work independently
Authorization to work in the United States (e.g. US Citizen; Green Card holder; existing work visa holder). A new work visa will not be issued for this position.

Assets: *The following are not required, but please mention if applicable.*

Previous experience working with database records, whether as an academic researcher or a content creator
Previous experience working with folklore, Irish/Scottish Gaelic place names, or genealogy (e.g. Irish census data)
Previous study of Fionn Cycle narrative
Translation experience

Questions? Contact Dr. Natasha Sumner (Project Director) at nsumner@fas.harvard.edu.

Please apply at your earliest convenience at <https://academicpositions.harvard.edu/postings/9765>.

The posting will remain open until filled.