



**CFB**  
Centre for  
Family Business

**Qualification:** PhD  
**Inviting:** Irish Students, EU Students, International Students  
**Funding amount:** Self-funded  
**Duration:** 4 years

The *Centre for Family Business* ([www.dcu.ie/centreforfamilybusiness](http://www.dcu.ie/centreforfamilybusiness)) at Dublin City University Business School invites outstanding graduates (who have or are about to complete a Masters Programme) to apply for the full-time PhD Program starting September 2016.

DCU is a young, dynamic and ambitious university with a distinctive mission to transform lives and societies through education, research and innovation. DCU's excellence is recognised internationally with the University being ranked highly among leading global institutions.

The DCU Business School is Ireland's most ambitious business school, part of Ireland's 'University of Enterprise', Dublin City University. Through teaching, research and engagement with industry DCU Business School proactively contributes to the development of individuals, industry and society at home and abroad. The DCU Business School is an AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) and AMBA (The Association of MBAs) accredited school.

DCU Business School research students are an internationally diverse group of high academic achievers. They are a central part of our vibrant research community. Our students have a record of achieving high level publications both during and post their PhD studies and on graduating those seeking academic appointments get work national and international universities.

The Centre for Family Business (CFB) is a recognized research centre within DCU Business School and supports Family Businesses by producing high quality academic research and by providing professional development opportunities for multi-generational family businesses. Recognised nationally as the leading Centre for Family Business, CFB is developing an international reputation as a centre of research expertise on family business.

As part of our growth strategy we have hired world-class faculty members. We offer a stimulating learning and research environment, and a structured PhD programme. The programme offers advanced courses in research methods, and for those interested in a career in academia, training in teaching. Successful candidates will conduct research projects under faculty supervision and get access to world-leading scholars who are engaged with the Centre for Family Business.

Applications are sought from exceptional graduates (from Ireland and overseas). Applicants should have an outstanding academic record (at undergraduate and postgraduate (masters) level) and a research interest and potential in one of the following subject areas:

- Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Family Firms
- Strategy and Growth in Family Firms
- Accounting Practices in Family Firms
- Financing of SMEs and Family Businesses
- Human Resources Management Practices in Family Firms.

This position is self-funded (fees are €4,900 per annum for EU students and €10,000 for non EU students for the full time programme). The Centre for Family Business will support the candidate(s) in seeking funding, where appropriate, from the Irish Research Council (IRC) ([www.research.ie/funding-opportunities](http://www.research.ie/funding-opportunities)) and other PhD scholarship programmes. In addition the Centre for Family Business supports PhD candidate's attendance at conferences and professional development events.

To apply send your CV, cover letter, a research proposal (please see guidelines [www.dcu.ie/dcubs/research\\_proposal\\_guidelines.pdf](http://www.dcu.ie/dcubs/research_proposal_guidelines.pdf)), and a sample of academic writing to Dr Eric Clinton, Centre Director, at [familybusiness@dcu.ie](mailto:familybusiness@dcu.ie) by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016.