Dublin City University
DCU Institute of Education
School of Human Development
Assistant Professor in Child/Adolescent Learning and Development, Wellbeing and Social, Personal and Health Education
Three Year Contract

Introduction

The DCU Institute of Education is the newest faculty of Dublin City University. It is based in a €70 million purpose built facility on the DCU St Patrick’s Campus in Drumcondra in Dublin. Established in 2016 as Ireland’s first University faculty of Education, it has a staff of more than 130 full-time academics and a student body in excess of 4,000.

The Institute brings together students of education across all sectors from early childhood, to primary and post-primary and further and higher education. As well as providing a range of undergraduate programmes in education, the Institute offers a rich menu of taught and research-based post-graduate programmes, at doctoral, masters, diploma and certificate levels.

As a centre of expertise and excellence in teacher education and education more generally, the Institute hosts a range of research centres in key areas of priority and has an ambitious and growing programme of research. With internationally-recognised experts in education policy, inclusive and special education, curriculum and pedagogy, assessment, literacy, evaluation and teacher education, the Institute provides a dynamic learning and working environment. Staff can expect to encounter opportunities for multi-disciplinary work, not just in the Institute, but across the University. As one of the world’s leading young Universities, DCU has established its fifth and newest faculty out of a conviction that studies and research in education and the preparation and support of teachers are central to the transformation of lives and communities.

Committed to academic excellence and innovation, the DCU Institute of Education is confident its students and staff, and its graduates can flourish and lead in the challenging and complex contexts of 21st century education.

School of Human Development

The School of Human Development is one of the six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is made up of a dynamic and unique group of scholars, researchers and teachers working together in collaboration and whose academic interests span teacher education, the humanities, the social sciences, and the broad field of Human Development including social, personal and health education.

Assistant Professor in Child and Adolescent learning and development, Wellbeing, and Social Personal and Health Education

The School of Human Development is seeking to recruit an Assistant Professor in child and adolescent learning and development, and wellbeing, with a focus on SPHE across the continuum of education for a three-year period initially. The School supports a range of initial
and graduate teacher education programmes and has a strong track record of influential research in student wellbeing and in the development of social, personal and health education in Ireland. Further undergraduate and post graduate programmes are in the planning stage, and all will include a strong emphasis on learner wellbeing. With a growing number of masters and doctoral research students, the School is looking to further develop its recognised expertise in the field.

Applicants for the position must hold a doctorate in Psychology/Sociology/Education. Experience in initial teacher education, and particular strengths in quantitative research methods are also highly desirable.

The candidate will have strong interpersonal and collaborative skills, excellent administrative and organisation skills and demonstrate capacity for research in the field of child and adolescent learning and development and SPHE. The position is subject to the candidate being Garda Vetted.

The post will have a range of responsibilities including but not limited to the following:

**Teaching**

The candidate will be required to contribute to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of existing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, including the Bachelor of Education and Professional Masters in Education. This teaching will include module design and delivery and school placement including its attendant duties of supporting and evaluating students on school visits and writing reports. In addition the candidate is expected to supervise undergraduate and postgraduate theses, contribute to tutorials and to the wider teaching of the Institute as required by the Head of School.

**Research**

The successful candidate will be committed to high-quality research and have a solid track record of publication in the field of child/adolescent learning and development, SPHE/Wellbeing on an individual and a collaborative basis and/or associated topics of relevance to initial teacher education. The DCU Institute of Education is a centre of excellence in educational research and as such the candidate will be expected to be research-active in their field and to contribute to, develop and support research initiatives with the School of Human Development and the wider faculty. The successful candidate will contribute to the scholarship and intellectual life of the University, contributing to the development of the DCU Institute of Education’s research agenda.

**Engagement**

The candidate will undertake administrative functions related to the activities of the School of Human Development. These activities defined by the Head of School may include participating in School meetings, engaging in meetings related to programmes, representing the School in marketing and recruitment of students, developing relationships with stakeholders, participating in open days, organisation of conferences and seminars etc.

**Informal Enquiries** Maeve O’Brien, maeve.obrien@dcu.ie

**Further information:**


**Salary Scales**

**Assistant Professor** (Lecturer above bar): €52,188 - €83,039*

**Assistant Professor** (Lecturer below bar): €39,123 - €53,784*
Appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience, and will be made on the appropriate point of the Lecturer Above Bar or Lecturer Below Bar salary scale in line with current Government pay policy.

Closing date: 04th March 2019

Application Procedure:

Application forms are available from the DCU Current Vacancies (Open Competitions) website at http://www4.dcu.ie/hr/vacancies/current.shtml and also from the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 (0)1 700 5149; Fax: +353 (0)1 700 5500
Email: hr.applications@dcu.ie

*Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line: Job Ref: #1150*

Applications should be submitted by e-mail to hr.applications@dcu.ie or by Fax: +353 (0)1 700 5500 or by post to the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9.

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