



**DCU Institute of Education
School of Inclusive and Special Education
Assistant Professor in Inclusive and Special Education
(2 Posts: 3-Year Fixed Term 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 140 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 Inclusive and Special Education

The School of Inclusive and Special Education is one of six schools within DCU Institute of Education. It is the first such school in an Irish university. It has a critical mass of expertise in areas of inclusive education and special education and is committed to supporting the rights of all children and young people to an appropriate education and to learning for all. It has a strong research focus with staff and students creating a vibrant community of inquiry.

The School provides a full range of continuing professional development programmes for teachers working in inclusive and special education roles, including a Graduate Diploma in Inclusive Education, Learning Support and Special Education, Masters in Special Educational Needs, Masters in Specific Learning Disabilities (Dyslexia), Graduate Certificate and Master of Education in the Education of Pupils on the Autism Spectrum and an online Certificate/Diploma in Special and Inclusive Education. It also contributes to the College's initial teacher education programmes and taught doctorate.

Assistant Professor in Inclusive and Special Education

The School of Inclusive and Special Education is seeking to recruit two Assistant Professors to work collaboratively with members of the School. The persons appointed will contribute as appropriate to the above programmes, and to the ambitious research programme of the School and Faculty. They will engage in practicum school visits and write evaluative reports to support teachers' planning and practice. They will make a substantial contribution to the design, development, and management of future programmes and other developments in the field of inclusive and special education. Continuing the School's historic engagement in the development of policy in Ireland in the area of special and inclusive education, the appointees will be expected to participate in research and policy networks and engage with key system stakeholders.

In addition, the persons appointed to these positions will be expected to contribute to the teaching of other areas of Education (as requested by the Head of School) in addition to the specialist areas, and to contribute to the wider work of the DCU Institute of Education.

Applications are welcome from teachers with a background and post graduate qualification in inclusive and special education, from professionals in cognate areas, and from researchers with experience in initial and post-graduate teacher education. The candidates will have strong interpersonal and collaborative skills, excellent administrative and organisation skills. The positions are subject to the candidates being Garda Vetted.

Previous experience of in-career development work with teachers of students with special educational needs would be an advantage. The successful candidates will be committed to high-quality research, and publication in leading, international peer-reviewed journals and with high-quality book publishers. They will contribute to the scholarship and intellectual life of the University by conducting research which will enhance its reputation as a research-led teaching institution and which will make a significant contribution to the development of the DCU Institute of Education's research agenda.

Informal Enquiries to joe.travers@dcu.ie

Further information:

More information about the DCU Institute of Education can be found at http://www.dcu.ie/institute_of_education/index.shtml.

Salary Scales

Assistant Professor (Lecturer below bar): €39,123 - €53,784*

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

** 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: 09th 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: # 1159

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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