DCU Institute of Education
School of Human Development
Assistant Professor Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work with Post Primary Religious 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.

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 religious education.

Assistant Professor in Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work with Post Primary Religious Education
The School of Human Development is seeking to recruit an Assistant Professor in Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work with a capacity to teach into the Bachelor of Religious Education. The person appointed to this position will be expected to teach on the Masters in Chaplaincy programme and supervise/mentor on Chaplaincy placement across the variety of Chaplaincy and pastoral care contexts such as school, university, prison, hospital and parish. The candidate must have experience/a qualification in the area of clinical/pastoral supervision. Experience in nurturing ethos, identity, spirituality and faith development as well as practical engagement with prayer, liturgy, community building and mission is highly desirable. With a
growing number of postgraduate students, the School is looking to further develop its recognised expertise in the field.

In addition to these specialist areas the person will contribute to the wider work of the DCU IoE. The person may also be invited to contribute to the Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education (established within the DCU IoE) working with the Centre’s Director and team in the development of Catholic Education across the spectrum. This will involve working collaboratively with students and stakeholders from within the Catholic educational community, and with those of other traditions and beliefs.

Applicants for the position must hold a postgraduate qualification in Chaplaincy Studies/Pastoral Work/Religious Education, preferably at doctoral level. Applicants should have practical experience in Chaplaincy/Pastoral Work and have experience in mentoring students through Chaplaincy/Pastoral Work/Religious Education placements. Experience in chairing academic programmes would be an advantage.

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 the existing postgraduate Chaplaincy programmes (fulltime and part-time), and to the Bachelor of Religious Education programme. This teaching will include module design and delivery, placement and pastoral supervision. Attendant duties include supporting and evaluating students on chaplaincy/pastoral placement 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 publication in the field of Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work. 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 research agenda. She/he may be invited to contribute to the scholarship and research profile for the Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education, in order to enhance the Centre’s commitment to support research in Catholic Education, and to other Centres.

**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.

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**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: 15th 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](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

Job ref #1171 Assistant Professor Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work

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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