



DCU Institute of Education
School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education
Lecturer in Education - Early Childhood Education (Primary)
(3-Year Fixed Term Contract)

Background

St Patrick's College, Drumcondra (SPD), Mater Dei Institute of Education (MDI), Church of Ireland College of Education (CICE) and Dublin City University (DCU) are actively engaged in a formal process which will lead to the incorporation of SPD, MDI and CICE inside DCU and the creation of a single university entity. This process, the DCU Incorporation Programme will give rise to 2 major developments:

1. The DCU Institute of Education (the first Faculty of Education in an Irish University), and
2. An expanded and significantly enhanced Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

The DCU Incorporation Programme will be completed in September 2016, when staff and students of SPD, MDI and CICE will become part of DCU.

Introduction

From September 2016, academic staff from DCU's School of Education Studies, the Education Department at SPD, Mater Dei Institute and Church of Ireland College of Education, form the DCU Institute of Education, Ireland's largest centre of expertise in education, offering degrees that prepare teachers and educators for every level of education from early childhood through primary, secondary and onto further and higher education.

The DCU Institute of Education will be based in a €70million state of the art, purpose built facility on DCU St Patrick's Campus from September 2016, where students will engage with educators who are leaders in their field in an interactive and dynamic environment.

The School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education is one of six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is currently seeking a Lecturer to join their Early childhood Education team.

Teaching Programme

The DCU Institute of Education offers degrees that prepare teachers and educators for every level of education from early childhood through primary and secondary and onto further and higher education.

In addition to the core areas of Initial Teacher Education, programmes are offered in post compulsory education and training at undergraduate, post-graduate and Doctoral levels. There is also a commitment to providing ongoing continuous professional development for individuals working across the education continuum.

Students of the DCU Institute of Education have the opportunity to work closely with internationally recognized experts in teaching and learning in an innovative environment, equipped for 21st century learning.

Lecturer in Education (Early Childhood Education) - Primary

The School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education is seeking to recruit a Lecturer to work collaboratively as a member of the Early Childhood Education (ECE) team.

The responsibilities attached to this position are primarily focused on the teaching of ECE within the BEd (Primary) programme, but may also encompass teaching on the Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (BECE). In addition, the person appointed to this position will be expected to contribute to the teaching of other areas of Education (as requested by the Head of School) and to contribute to the wider work of the DCU Institute of Education.

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute significantly to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of existing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, including the BEd (Primary), BECE and PME (Primary).. S/he will make a substantial contribution to the design, development, and management of future programmes and other developments in the area of Early Childhood Education.

School Placement supervision with its attendant duties of supporting and evaluating students on school visits, writing reports, and attending relevant meetings is an integral part of the position. In addition the successful candidate is expected to contribute to tutorials and to the wider teaching of the Institute as required by the Head of School or Institute of Education management.

Person Specification

The successful candidate will have a minimum of three years relevant experience in Early Childhood Education in primary schools and will have a deep knowledge of learning, curriculum and pedagogy as they pertain to children in the early years of primary education. Experience in early childhood education in other educational contexts will be an advantage Knowledge/experience of the relevant National Frameworks pertaining to early childhood education is essential.

Applicants for the post must hold a post-graduate qualification in Early Childhood Education, preferably at Doctoral level. Experience in teacher education is highly desirable. Experience in providing Continued Professional Development (CPD) to teachers is desirable, as is fluency in the Irish language.

The successful candidate will be committed to conducting good research in early childhood education, and to the publication of that research in leading, international peer-reviewed journals and with high-quality book publishers. The successful candidate will contribute to the scholarship and intellectual life of the University by conducting research which will enhance the University's 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.

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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:

Lecturer Above Bar: *€50,159 - €76,891 per annum

Lecturer Below Bar: *€37,352 - €51,724 per annum

**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: 24 June 2016

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: #345 Lecturer in Education – Early Childhood Education (Primary)

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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