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.

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

The School of Policy and Practice is one of six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is currently seeking a Lecturer in Education (School Placement) for the Bachelor of Education (Primary) and the Professional Master of Education (Primary).

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 teachers and 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 (School Placement-Primary)**

The School of Policy and Practice is seeking to recruit a Lecturer in Education (School Placement-Primary) who will work with the Director of School Placement (Primary BEd and PME) as part of a team.

The responsibilities attached to this position are outlined below. The person appointed to this position will also 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. S/he will be involved in supporting students prior to, during and following school placement periods. S/he will be expected to contribute to tutorials and supervision of research projects on the BEd and PME and to participate in all other shared areas of the programmes.

**The Successful Candidate**

The School requires a candidate who has a strong background in primary education and a minimum of five-years relevant experience.

The person appointed to this position will have a post-graduate qualification in education. A qualification at doctoral level is desirable. The appointee will have a background in primary education and experience as a classroom teacher. S/he will have strong communication and interpersonal skills and good administrative and organisational skills. The appointee will be competent in the use of ICT.

Ba chóir go mbeadh cumas maith sa Ghaeilge labhartha agus scríofa ag an duine a cheapfar don phost seo. Beidh an Ghaeilge in úsáid mar mheán cumarsáide go rialta le mic léinn, le léachtóirí agus le teagascóirí agus le linn na hoibre i ngaelscoileanna agus i scoileanna sa ghaidhlig. The successful candidate will have a high level of competence in oral and written Irish. Irish is used as a medium of communication regularly with students, lecturers, school placement tutors and in Irish-medium schools and Gaeltacht schools. In addition, the successful candidate will support student teachers teaching in a range of settings including immersion contexts.

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute significantly to the review and development, teaching, assessment and administration of School Placement and to existing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. A strong commitment to collaborations with primary schools will be required.

S/he will contribute to the design, development, and management of School Placement and associated modules. As part of the role, the person will foster and promote partnerships with schools and relevant stakeholders and be involved in the design and delivery of professional development for school placement tutors.
The person will have shared responsibility for the delivery of lectures and workshops related to School Placement and the writing/editing of School Placement Handbooks and online materials for students, staff and schools. The successful candidate will support student teachers and evaluate the work of student teachers on school placement, provide feedback (verbal and written), and attend meetings. Supporting schools in structured partnerships will be an integral element of the role.

The successful candidate will work closely with colleagues across Schools in the Institute and with external school placement tutors to organise and ensure high quality supervision and mentoring of student teachers on School Placement. S/he will assist with the organisation of, and participate in the arrangements for, special/extra tuition/School Placement for students requiring additional support in relation to preparation and planning for teaching and in pedagogical skills.

The successful candidate 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.

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Further information:

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: Friday 5th August 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:
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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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