Dublin City University
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music
Lecturer in Islamic and Jewish Studies
Fixed Term Contract of up to 3 Years

Introduction

Dublin City University (www.dcu.ie) is a research-intensive, globally-engaged, dynamic institution that is distinguished by both the quality and impact of its graduates and its focus on the translation of knowledge into societal and economic benefit. DCU prepares its students well for success in life, and in the workplace, by providing a high-quality, rounded education appropriate to the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. As Ireland's University of Enterprise, it is characterised by a focus on innovation and entrepreneurship and a track-record of effective engagement with the enterprise sector, including commercial, social and cultural enterprises. Excellence in its education and research activities has led to its consistent position in the rankings of the world’s top young universities. DCU has been placed in the top 50 international universities under 50 years old in the recent QS ‘Top 50 Under 50’ rankings.

DCU Incorporation Programme

Dublin City University is growing and 2016 will see a significant transformation for the University. The DCU Incorporation Programme is the planned coming together of St. Patrick’s College, Drumcondra, Mater Dei Institute of Education and Church of Ireland College of Education with Dublin City University – the New DCU. It will bring together all the Humanities and Social Science disciplines at DCU, St Patrick’s College and Mater Dei Institute in an enlarged Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. In planning the development of this new Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, areas of work will include academic programmes, research, teaching and learning as well as faculty academic and administrative structures.

The School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music

The School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music in Dublin City University is a dynamic and interdisciplinary School located in the enhanced Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. The academic study of religion in DCU is pursued through the complementary disciplines of Theology and Religious Studies, offering students an understanding of the historical and contemporary significance of religious faith and religious traditions. We are seeking to appoint a Lecturer in Islamic and Jewish Studies from 1 September 2016.

The School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music teaches Theology, Philosophy, and Music on a variety of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. Staff supervise PhD students in Ethics, Music, Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Theology. The successful candidate will be expected to play a role in the development and delivery of the School’s taught programmes in Theology and Religious Studies and in the identification and delivery of new programmes in their specialist area(s). The School offers excellent opportunities for candidates to teach within their own area(s) of research specialisation and to supervise PhD candidates. The School is committed to high quality research and supports its staff in such work.
Skills and Experience

Applicants for the post must hold an honours degree, should be qualified to a post-graduate level, and have completed a doctoral qualification in Islamic or Jewish Studies. S/he must have three years relevant experience, and have the capacity to teach Arabic and Biblical Hebrew. Competency in Rabbinic and Mediaeval Hebrew is desirable. Applications are welcome from those who can engage, in both teaching and research, with the study of religion and the nature of religious diversity and interreligious engagement. The successful candidate will have an excellent research and publications record. Teaching experience is required. This post will contribute to the BA Joint Honours programme, Teacher Education programme, Theology and Lifelong Education programme, along with postgraduate programmes. The successful candidate should be capable of working in a team context and of providing leadership in developing the teaching, research, and engagement agenda for Theology and Religious Studies within the School.

Duties and Responsibilities:

The duties and responsibilities of the position include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Undergraduate and postgraduate teaching in Theology and Religious Studies, including introductory and advanced modules on Judaism, Islam, Abrahamic Faiths, and Interreligious Dialogue.
- Teaching of Classical Arabic and Classical Hebrew.
- Contribute to the future development of taught postgraduate programmes in biblical studies and sacred texts.
- Supervision of postgraduate research, both MPhil and PhD level, in Islamic Studies, Jewish Studies, Religious Studies, Languages of Sacred Texts, and Interreligious Dialogue.
- Pursue an active research agenda with ongoing research publications in leading international academic journals and with high profile book publishers, both individually and, where appropriate, in collaboration with colleagues in DCU and elsewhere.
- Actively promote Theology and Religious studies in the University and the public domain, as well as helping to plan and organise conferences, lectures, and other events.
- Contribute to the School’s Centre for Interreligious Dialogue (CIRD) or the Institute of Ethics.
- Participate actively in School activities and contribute to the development of the School’s profile in teaching and research.
- Undertake administrative duties related to the position.

Informal Enquiries to:

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Further information:

More information on the School, including specific areas of research expertise and details of taught programmes, may be found at: http://dcu.ie/theology_philosophy_music/index.shtml

Salary Scales:

Lecturer above bar: €50,159 - €76,891*
Lecturer below bar: €37,352 - €51,724*

* 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: 14th June 2016

Application Procedure:

Application forms are available from the DCU Current Vacancies (Open Competitions) website at http://www.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 # 332 Lecturer in Islamic and Jewish Studies.

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, Ireland

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