



**Dublin City University**  
**Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**  
**School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies**  
**Lecturer in Japanese**  
**Fixed Term Contract of up to 5 Years**

**Introduction**

Dublin City University ([www.dcu.ie](http://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. Excellence in its education and research activities has led to its consistent position in the rankings of the world's top young universities (e.g. QS top 50 Under 50).

The School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS), within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, at Dublin City University is a world leader in translation studies and a national pioneer in applied linguistics and Asian studies. We are seeking to consolidate and expand our provision in Japanese Studies by recruiting a Lecturer (above bar) in Japanese from 1 September 2016. Expertise in applied linguistics, digital media or translation studies will be a factor in short-listing and final selection.

**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.

Following incorporation the vision for the New DCU includes a new Institution of Education and an enhanced Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences that will benefit from the combined strengths of the four institutions.

In planning the development of this enriched Faculty, areas of work will include academic programmes, research, teaching and learning as well as faculty academic and administrative structures.

**The School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS)**

SALIS is a multilingual and multicultural School. We currently offer French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) as full subjects on a number of undergraduate and postgraduate taught programmes.

We have a long-running PhD programme, and staff research specialisms in applied linguistics, translation studies, literary studies, citizenship education and intercultural studies.

The School offers excellent opportunities for research-led teaching, and for colleagues to supervise doctoral research. We particularly value interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary scholarship, and are committed to supporting colleagues in the conduct of high quality research. We have hosted research projects funded by external bodies such as the Irish Research Council, Science Foundation Ireland, and the European Commission.

### **Japanese in SALIS**

DCU was the first Irish University to integrate Japanese into its curricula, and SALIS has offered full undergraduate programmes in Japanese since 1987, with a growing number of students every year majoring in Japanese on the BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies and the Bachelor of Business Studies International (in conjunction with DCU Business School). Undergraduate students taking Japanese spend their third year at one of our partner Universities in Japan.

Japanese translation is also offered at taught postgraduate level, as an option on both the MA in Translation Studies and the MSc in Translation Technology, and Japanese and Digital Asian Studies have featured prominently in doctoral research in SALIS in recent years.

### **Skills and Experience**

Applicants for this post must have native or near-native proficiency in Japanese and English. Applicants for the post must hold an honours degree, should be qualified to a post-graduate level and have completed a Doctoral qualification in a relevant area. The successful candidate will have an excellent research and publications record. They must have three years relevant experience, appropriate teaching experience and a proven ability to interact with academic and non-academic stakeholders in Japanese studies. The successful candidate should be capable of working in a team and of providing leadership in developing the teaching and research agenda for Japanese studies within the School. They should also have experience of doctoral supervision.

The successful candidate will be expected to make an important contribution to the research and teaching profile of the School, as well as to undertake administrative responsibilities. In accordance with the multilingual nature of the School and its interdisciplinary ethos, the successful candidate will also be expected to collaborate with colleagues in other languages/areas on projects of mutual interest.

### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

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

- Teach Japanese language at undergraduate level
- Ensure that Japanese teaching methodology is informed by new developments in teaching foreign languages, especially the use of new technologies and blended learning approaches
- Pursue an active research and publication agenda, individually and, where appropriate, in collaboration with colleagues
- Supervise postgraduate research students at Master's and doctoral level, in areas such as second language acquisition, translation studies and Japanese studies
- Coordinate and mentor lecturers and interns in Japanese studies within the School
- Coordinate and supervise Year 3 Study Abroad in Japan – mentor students, coordinate with Japanese universities, administer scholarships
- Develop research collaboration and exchange links with Japanese Universities
- Develop strong links with appropriate professional organisations, the Japan Foundation and other stakeholders in Japanese studies within Ireland and internationally
- Participate actively in all SALIS activities and contribute to the development of the School's profile in teaching and research in Japanese / Digital Asian studies.
- Undertake administrative duties related to the position

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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: [www.dcu.ie/salis](http://www.dcu.ie/salis)

**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: 29<sup>th</sup> January 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](mailto:hr.applications@dcu.ie)

**Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line: Job Ref 241 Lecturer in Japanese.**

Applications should be submitted by e-mail to [hr.applications@dcu.ie](mailto: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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