DCU Institute of Education
School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education
Assistant Professor in Teagasc na Gaeilge
(Permanent)

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 140 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. As one of the world’s leading young Universities, DCU has established its fifth and newest faculty out of a conviction that studies and research in education and the preparation and support of teachers are central to the transformation of lives and communities.

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.

The School of Language Literacy and Early Childhood Education

The School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education is one of six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The school contributes to a wide range of education related degrees and courses at undergraduate and post-graduate levels. It brings together a large dynamic faculty with a significant range of expertise in relation to theory, practice, research and policy in the fields of language (Irish & English), literacy and early childhood education. Staff are committed to ongoing scholarship and inquiry in reciprocal partnership with early childhood education and care settings, schools, colleagues across the institute and other stakeholders in the education system.

Assistant Professor in Teagasc na Gaeilge

The School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education is seeking to recruit an Assistant Professor to work collaboratively as a member of the Teagasc na Gaeilge team. The successful candidate will have a strong background in language learning, curriculum and pedagogy in relation to Teagasc na Gaeilge, and a minimum of three years’ relevant experience at primary/post-primary level. Applicants for the post must hold a post-graduate qualification in
Education in areas related to Teagasc na Gaeilge, preferably at doctoral level and have excellent Irish language skills. Experience in teacher education is highly desirable. The candidate will have strong interpersonal and collaborative skills, excellent administrative and organisation skills and demonstrate capacity to integrate ICT into the teaching of Teagasc na Gaeilge. The position is subject to the candidate being Garda Vetted.

Teaching
The candidate will be required to contribute significantly to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, including the Bachelor of Education (Primary), the Professional Masters in Education (Primary), and the Bachelor of Education in Gaeilge and, French, German or Spanish for post-primary education. This teaching will include module design and delivery and school placement including its attendant duties of supporting and evaluating students on school visits and writing reports. S/he will make a substantial contribution to the design, development, and management of future programmes and other developments in the field of Teagasc na Gaeilge. As part of the Teagasc na Gaeilge team, the person will also work closely with colleagues in the School and Faculty to promote the integration of Irish across programmes. In addition, the candidate is expected to supervise undergraduate and postgraduate theses, visit students on Gaeltacht placements, 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 Teagasc na Gaeilge on an individual and a collaborative basis. 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 in the general field of teacher education and to contribute to, develop and support research initiatives with the School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education; in SEALBHÚ: DCU Research Centre for the Learning and Teaching of Irish; and the wider faculty. They will contribute to the scholarship and intellectual life of the University, contributing to the development of the DCU Institute of Education’s research agenda.

Engagement
The successful candidate will undertake administrative functions related to the activities of the School of Language, Literacy and Early Childhood Education. These activities defined by the Head of School may include participating in school and university meetings, engaging in meetings related to programmes, representing the School in marketing and recruitment of students. The appointee will be expected to be active in organisation of seminars and conferences and in developing relationships with stakeholders across the University and in the education sector more generally.

Informal Enquiries to eithne.kennedy@dcu.ie

Further information:

Salary Scales
Assistant Professor (Lecturer Above Bar): *€52,188 - €83,039 per annum
Assistant Professor (Lecturer Below Bar): *€39,123 - €53,784 per annum

* Appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience, and will be made on the appropriate point of the Assistant Professor/Lecturer Above Bar or Lecturer Below Bar salary scale in line with current Government pay policy
**Closing date:** 11th January 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 in your application and email subject line: Job Ref 1087 Assistant Professor in Teagasc na Gaeilge*

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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