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 130 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.

School of Policy and Practice

The School of Policy and Practice is one of the six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School represents a unique and innovative departure within the Irish educational landscape. Bringing together academics whose expertise range through primary, secondary and further education and training, the School’s range of experience and engagement spans all levels of educational provision creating an innovative and research-driven community.

Assistant Professor in Education

The School of Policy and Practice is seeking to recruit an Assistant Professor in Education for a four year fixed term contract. The successful candidate will have particular expertise in leading change in junior cycle curriculum and assessment, new pedagogies in post-primary education and emerging trends in senior cycle education.

Applicants for the post should be qualified to post-graduate level, preferably at Doctoral level.
As the person appointed will be contributing to a range of post-primary programmes including the BEd in Gaeilge with French/Spanish/German experience of teaching these subjects, or of research in language education would be particularly welcome. The successful candidate will have a minimum of three years relevant experience, and have a record of working with students in a higher education environment. The position is subject to the candidate being Garda Vetted.

The post will have a range of responsibilities including but not limited to the following:

Teaching

The candidate will be required to contribute significantly to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of existing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, particularly to the BEd Gaeilge with French/Spanish/German. This teaching will include module design and delivery and placement practice including its attendant duties of supporting and evaluating students on placement visits and writing reports. In addition, the candidate is expected to supervise undergraduate and postgraduate theses, contribute to tutorials and to the wider teaching of the Institute as required by the Head of School.

Research

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 to contribute to, develop and support research initiatives with the School of Policy and Practice 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 research agenda.

Engagement

The candidate will undertake administrative functions related to the activities of the School of Policy and Practice as required. These activities defined by the Head of School will include participating in School and programme meetings, representing the School in marketing and recruitment of students, developing relationships with stakeholders, participating in open days, organisation of conferences and seminars.

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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
Further information about the School of Policy and Practice can be found at https://www.dcu.ie/policy_and_practice/index.shtml

Salary Scales

Assistant Professor (Lecturer above bar): €52,188 - €83,039*
Assistant Professor (Lecturer below bar): €39,123 - €53,784*

* 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"
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 #BC0207 Assistant Professor in Education

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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