



**Dublin City University
DCU Institute of Education
School of Human Development
Assistant Professor in Religious Education
(Fixed Term Contract of 3 Years)**

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 Human Development

The School of Human Development is one of the six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is made up of a dynamic and unique group of scholars, researchers and teachers working together in collaboration and whose academic interests span teacher education, the humanities, the social sciences, and the broad field of Human Development including religious education.

Assistant Professor in Religious Education (Primary)

The School of Human Development is seeking to recruit a Lecturer to work collaboratively as a member of the Team for Catholic Religious Education. The candidate should have a strong background in Catholic Primary Religious Education in Ireland and preferably teaching experience at primary level.

Applicants for the post must hold a post-graduate qualification in Religious Education, preferably at Doctoral level. Experience in teacher education is highly desirable. Experience of working in and developing resources for a range of teaching environments – including online and blended – would be considered advantageous.

Teaching

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute significantly to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of existing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in teacher education. The position involves teaching both large and small groups including the assessment and marking associated with that activity, across a wide range of modules. S/he will make a substantial contribution to the design, development, and management of future programmes and other developments in the field of Religious Education and with a particular focus on Catholic Religious Education. As part of the Religious Education Team, the person will also work closely with colleagues in the School of Human Development teaching across a variety of modules in religious, spiritual, theological and ethical education.

The person appointed to this position will 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. The person will also be invited to contribute to the Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education, working with the Centre's Director and Team in the development of Catholic education across the spectrum. This will involve working collaboratively with students and stakeholders from within the Catholic educational community and with those of other traditions and beliefs.

Research

The successful candidate will be committed to high-quality research and publication in the field of religious education. S/he will be invited to contribute to the scholarship and profile of the Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education, in order to enhance the Centre's commitment to support the Catholic Education tradition.

Wider Role/Engagement

The candidate will undertake administrative functions related to the activities of the School of Human Development. These activities defined by the Head of School may include participating in School meetings, engaging in meetings related to programmes, representing the School in marketing and recruitment of students, developing relationships with stakeholders, participating in open days, organisation of conferences and seminars etc.

Informal Enquiries to: Maeve.obrien@dcu.ie

Further information:

More information about the DCU Institute of Education can be found at http://www.dcu.ie/institute_of_education/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"

Closing date: 17th May 2019

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 #BC0911 Assistant Professor in Religious 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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