Dublin City University  
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences  
School of Law and Government  
Assistant Professor in Environmental Policy and Politics  
Fixed term contract five 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 and Transformation, DCU 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 DCU’s consistent position in the rankings of the world’s top young universities. DCU has a strong track record in attracting both Irish and European Union funding under FP7, Horizon 2020, Marie Curie Actions and Erasmus. We offer a dynamic and internationally focused environment in which to advance your academic career.

The School of Law and Government:

The School of Law and Government is an ambitious, research-intensive school, consistently ranked in the global top 200 for politics by QS. It has a range of programmes at BA, MA, and PhD level. The School teaches a BA in International Relations, an interdisciplinary degree in ‘Economics, Politics and Law’, and offers Politics on the university’s Bachelor of Arts (Joint Honours) programme. It offers eight taught postgraduate programmes, including the MSc in Climate Change: Policy, Media, and Society. The School has over forty research students and offers a structured PhD in Politics and International Relations.

As part of its dedication to sustainable development, the School of Law and Government intends to appoint a new Assistant Professor in Environmental Policy and Politics, to begin on 1 September 2020. The successful candidate will be expected to play a role in the development and delivery of the School's taught programmes and in the identification and delivery of new programmes in their specialist area. The School offers excellent opportunities for candidates to teach within their own area of research specialisation and to supervise PhD candidates. The School is dedicated to high quality research, expects its staff to publish regularly in leading journals and supports its staff in such work. We have led research
programmes supported by the Irish Research Council, the EU and other national and international funders.

Skills and Experience

Applicants for the position must have completed a PhD in social science with a relevant focus for this role. The successful candidate will have experience of university teaching at lecturer/assistant professor level on a full-time basis and should be able to contribute to the MSc in Climate Change: Policy, Media, and Society, as well as other programmes. The successful candidate will be able to convincingly demonstrate a strong dedication to academic research and will have a track-record of international peer-reviewed publications. They should be capable of working in a team and contributing to developing the teaching and research agenda within the School, as well as supporting the School’s fund-raising activities through grant applications.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Teaching and Learning

The successful candidate will be required to contribute to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of our modules across a range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes:

- To include module design and delivery,
- Supporting and evaluating students on placements visits and writing reports,
- Contributing to the design, development, and management of future programmes and other developments in the field of environmental policy and politics,
- Supervising undergraduate and postgraduate theses, and
- Contributing to the wider teaching of the School, as required by the Head.

Research and Scholarship

The successful candidate will be dedicated to high-quality research and publication in the field of environmental policy and politics on an individual and a collaborative basis. The successful candidate will be expected to:

- Publish articles in leading peer-review journals and/or books with high-profile publishers;
- Develop and support research initiatives with the School Law and Government and the wider university;
- Apply for grants to contribute to the School’s research agenda; and
- Attract and supervise high-calibre PhD students.

Service and Contribution to University and Society

Activities taken on the successful candidate’s own initiative, or allocated by the Head of School, may include:

- Engaging with policy-makers and the media,
- Participating in school and university meetings,
- Representing the School in marketing and the recruitment of students,
- Developing relationships with stakeholders within and outside the University.
**Mandatory training:**

The postholder will be required to undertake the following mandatory compliance training: Orientation, Health & Safety, and Data Protection (GDPR). Other training may need to be undertaken when appropriate.