Background
St Patrick’s College, Drumcondra (SPD), Mater Dei Institute of Education (MDI), Church of Ireland College of Education (CICE) and Dublin City University (DCU) are actively engaged in a formal process which will lead to the incorporation of SPD, MDI and CICE inside DCU and the creation of a single university entity. This process, the DCU Incorporation Programme will give rise to 2 major developments:

1. The DCU Institute of Education (the first Faculty of Education in an Irish university), and
2. An expanded and significantly enhanced Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

The DCU Incorporation Programme will be completed in September 2016, when staff and students of SPD, MDI and CICE will become part of DCU.

Introduction
From September 2016, academic staff from DCU’s School of Education Studies, the Education Department at SPD, Mater Dei Institute and Church of Ireland College of Education, form the DCU Institute of Education, Ireland’s largest centre of expertise in education, offering degrees that prepare teachers and educators for every level of education from early childhood through primary, secondary and onto further and higher education.

The DCU Institute of Education will be based in a €70million state of the art, purpose built facility on DCU St Patrick’s Campus from September 2016, where students will engage with educators who are leaders in their field in an interactive and dynamic environment.

The School of Policy and Practice is one of six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is currently seeking a Director of School Placement for the Bachelor of Religious Education / English / History / Music.

Teaching Programme
The DCU Institute of Education offers degrees that prepare teachers and educators for every level of education from early childhood through primary and secondary and onto further and higher education.
In addition to the core areas of Initial Teacher Education, programmes are offered in post compulsory education and training at undergraduate, post-graduate and Doctoral levels. There is also a commitment to providing ongoing continuous professional development for individuals working across the education continuum.

Students of the DCU Institute of Education have the opportunity to work closely with internationally recognized experts in teaching and learning in an innovative environment, equipped for 21st century learning.

Lecturer in Education (Director of School Placement) – Main Duties
The School of Policy and Practice is seeking to recruit a Director of School Placement and lecturer in Education.

The responsibilities attached to this position are outlined below. The person appointed to this position will also 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 successful candidate will be expected to contribute significantly to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of School Placement and existing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.

S/he will play a leading role in the design, development, and management of School Placement and micro-teaching. As part of the role, the person will initiate and maintain partnerships with schools and relevant stakeholders and recruit and provide on-going training for school placement tutors and micro-teaching tutors. The person will have responsibility for the delivery of lectures and workshops related to School Placement and the writing/editing of School Placement Handbooks.

The person will also work closely with colleagues across Schools and Faculties to promote the integration of School Placement in the BRelEd/E/H/M programme. The successful candidate will support and evaluate students on school visits, write reports, and attend relevant meetings.

Person Specification
The School requires a candidate who has a strong background in post-primary education and a minimum of five-years relevant experience.

Applicants for the post must hold a post-graduate qualification in Education preferably at Doctoral level. Experience in teacher education, school placement, school placement supervision, micro-teaching, delivery of continuing professional development, research in the field of teacher education and of working in education management, is desirable. The role requires strong IT skills. In addition, the capacity to supervise student teachers in one of the following subjects is advantageous: Religious Education, English, History or Music.
The successful candidate will be committed to high-quality research, and publication in leading, international peer-reviewed journals and with high-quality book publishers. They will contribute to the scholarship and intellectual life of the University by conducting research which will enhance its reputation as a research-led teaching institution and which will make a significant contribution to the development of the DCU Institute of Education’s research agenda.

Informal Enquiries to: pj.sexton@dcu.ie

Further information:

Salary Scales:
Lecturer Above Bar: *€50,159 - €76,891 per annum
Lecturer Below Bar: *€37,352 - €51,724 per annum

*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: 30 September 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

Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line: Job Ref: #341A Lecturer in Education – Director of School Placement

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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