JOB DESCRIPTION

Lecturer/Assistant Professor
Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
Full time permanent

Dublin City University

Dublin City University (DCU) is a leading innovative European University. It is proud to be one of the world’s leading Young Universities and is among the world’s top 2% globally. DCU is known as Ireland’s University of Impact, with a mission to ‘transform lives and societies’ and focuses on addressing global challenges in collaboration with key national and international partners and stakeholders.

DCU has over 20,000 students in five faculties spread across three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra area of North Dublin. Thanks to its innovative approach to teaching and learning, the University offers a ‘transformative student experience’ that helps to develop highly sought-after graduates. DCU is currently No. 1 in Ireland for Graduate Employment Rate, and for graduate income (CSO).

DCU is a research-intensive University and is home to a number of SFI-funded Research Centres. The University participates in a range of European and international research partnerships. DCU is also the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

As a ‘People First’ institution, DCU is committed to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion - a University that helps staff and students to thrive. The University is a leader in terms of its work to increase access to education and is placed in the world’s Top 10 for reducing inequalities in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings.

Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge

Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge is an interdisciplinary School which is recognised internationally for the quality of the academic programmes it delivers through the medium of Irish, and for the innovative nature of the teaching, research and work of the academic staff and researchers on our digital projects. Staff in the School deliver modules on programmes within the Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences (BA Joint Honours) and in the DCU Institute of Education (BEd [Primary], BEd in Irish and French/German/Spanish [Postprimary], Professional Master’s in Education [Primary]). The School also delivers the following undergraduate programme: BA Business & Irish; and the taught postgraduate programmes, MSc in Business and Digital Management, and MA in the Scholarship of Irish.
Role Profile
The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching a range of modules through the medium of Irish on the School's programmes: BA Business & Irish, the MSc in Business and Digital Management, and the MA in Irish Scholarship. They will be expected to work closely with other academics and industry partners in designing initiatives to develop students’ transversal skills. They will also contribute to the administrative and service activities of the School, Faculty, and University, and will report to the Head of Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge.

Duties & Responsibilities
The duties and responsibilities of the position include but are not limited to the following:

Teaching and learning
- Coordinate and deliver, to the highest standard, the modules assigned to them by the Head of School, either in person or online, as required.
- Work proactively to enhance and enrich existing modules.
- Facilitate effective student learning in an Irish-language setting.

Research and scholarship
- Contribute to the research culture and environment in the School and, where appropriate, work collaboratively on research initiatives.
- Contribute to research activities such as communicating research at School research seminars as well as participating in conferences, seminars, and academic events elsewhere.
- Publish research in appropriate and relevant national and international academic journals.

Service and contribution to the University and society
- Partner with other academics and industry partners to design and implement initiatives that develop students’ transversal skills across programmes.
- Contribute proactively to relevant committees, working groups and meetings within the School and Faculty.
- Engage with relevant student recruitment activities relating to the School’s programmes.
- Enhance the reputation and impact of the School through engagement in external academic and societal activities.
- Engage with relevant Continuous Professional Development on an ongoing basis.

Skills, Experience and Qualifications
Applicants for the post must hold an honours degree and postgraduate qualification (preferably at doctoral level) in Irish Linguistics or a related field. Candidates without a doctoral qualification will be appointed at below bar level. They must have proficiency in the Irish language to teach a range of modules at undergraduate and taught postgraduate level, and to discharge the various associated administrative duties, as well as contribute to the School’s research agenda. They will be expected to interact with students and staff in the School through the medium of Irish. Prior teaching experience at university level will be an advantage, as will experience of teaching in a hybrid/blended learning environment. The capacity to teach modules in the areas of technology and the Irish corpus will also be considered desirable.