



Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position:

**Post-Doctoral Researcher (Level 1)**  
**Institute of Future Media, Democracy and Society (FuJo)**  
**21 months Fixed Term Contract**

**Dublin City University**

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**Background & Role**

The DCU Institute of Future Media, Democracy and Society (FuJo) is a multidisciplinary research centre focused on the digital transformation of media, democracy, and society. FuJo investigates how to counter digital threats; enhance public participation through democratic innovations; and secure the sustainability of high-quality journalism and media.

FuJo is seeking a postdoctoral researcher to work on an EU-funded project connected to the European Digital Media Observatory (EDMO). The researcher will undertake research on media/information literacy needs in relation to disinformation and develop media/information literacy resources in collaboration with project partners and stakeholders. The researcher will also liaise with European partners within EDMO to share insights and resources on media/information literacy

### **Principal Duties and Responsibilities**

Please refer to the job description for a list of duties and responsibilities associated with this role.

### **Minimum Criteria**

Applicants must have a PhD in communications or a related field. In addition, it is desirable that the candidate has:

- research experience in media/information literacy;
- knowledge of the media/information literacy environment in Ireland and the EU;
- experience of collaborating with multidisciplinary and non-academic stakeholders in European projects;
- excellent communication and organisational skills; and
- experience of grant writing.

### **Candidates will be assessed on the following competencies:**

**Discipline knowledge and Research skills** – Demonstrates knowledge of a research discipline and the ability to conduct a specific programme of research within that discipline

**Understanding the Research Environment** – Demonstrates an awareness of the research environment (for example funding bodies) and the ability to contribute to grant applications

**Communicating Research** – Demonstrates the ability to communicate their research with their peers and the wider research community (for example presenting at conferences and publishing research in relevant journals) and the potential to teach and tutor students

**Managing & Leadership skills** - Demonstrates the potential to manage a research project including the supervision of undergraduate students

### **Essential Training**

The potholder will be required to undertake the following essential compliance training: Orientation, Health & Safety and Data Protection (GDPR), Equality and diversity, and Intellectual Property. Other training may need to be undertaken when required.

### **Salary Scale:**

IUA Postdoctoral Researcher Salary Scale Postdoc level 1- €39,132 - €43,910

Appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and in line with current Government pay policy

**Closing date:** 4th March 2022

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**Informal Enquiries in relation to this role should be directed to:**

Dr Eileen Culloty, Assistant Professor, DCU School of Communications, Dublin City University.

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Please do not send applications to this email address, instead apply as described below.

**Application Procedure:**

Application forms are available from the DCU Current Vacancies website at

<https://www.dcu.ie/hr/vacancies-current-vacancies-external-applicants> (external applicants)

Applications should be submitted by e-mail with your completed application form to

[hr.applications@dcu.ie](mailto:hr.applications@dcu.ie)

**Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line:**

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