



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

Research Centre	Brexit Institute Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence REBUILD
Post title	Postdoctoral Researcher in European Law & Politics
Level on Framework	Level 1
Post duration	30 months

Dublin City University

Dublin City University (DCU) is a young, ambitious and vibrant university, with a mission ‘to transform lives and societies through education, research, innovation and engagement’. Known as Ireland’s ‘University of Enterprise’, DCU is a values-based institution, committed to the delivery of impact for the public good. DCU was named Sunday Times Irish University of the Year 2021.

DCU is based on three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra region of north Dublin. More than 18,000 students are enrolled across five faculties – Science and Health, DCU Business School, Computing and Engineering, Humanities and Social Sciences and DCU Institute of Education.

DCU is committed to excellence across all its activities. This is demonstrated by its world-class research initiatives, its cutting-edge approach to teaching and learning, its focus on delivering a transformative student experience, and its positive social and economic impact. The university continues to develop innovative programmes in collaboration with industry, such as the DCU Futures suite of degrees, which are designed to equip graduates with the skills and knowledge required in a rapidly evolving economy.

DCU’s pursuit of excellence has led to its current ranking among the top 2% of universities globally. It is also one of the world’s Top Young Universities (QS Top 100 Under 50, Times Higher Top 150 Under 100). In the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings 2021, DCU ranked 23rd in the world for its approach to widening participation in higher education and its ongoing commitment to eradicating poverty, while it ranks 38th globally for its work in reducing inequality and 89th globally for gender equality.

The university is ranked 23rd in the world and first in Ireland for its graduate employment rate, according to the 2020 QS Graduate Employability Rankings. Over the past decade, DCU has been the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer, as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

Brexit Institute

The Brexit Institute (<http://dcubrexitinstitute.eu/>) is a research and policy centre established at DCU in summer 2017. The Brexit Institute is Europe's first and Ireland's only centre specifically created to analyse the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union and the future of Europe beyond it, and is designed to operate as a hub and magnet to explore the implications that Brexit has on governments, business and society at large. The Institute is led by Prof. Federico Fabbrini and has a team of full-time international researchers and affiliates staff from across the University working on Brexit-related issues. The Brexit Institute organizes academic events and policy workshops, produces scientific publication and policy contributions, and engages broadly with public and private bodies on a topic of great societal relevance. The Brexit Institute also runs a number of international projects, including the Jean Monnet Network BRIDGE (2019-2022) and the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence REBUILD (2022-2025), both funded under the Erasmus+ programme of the EU. In particular, the REBUILD project, which is the first Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence hosted by DCU, focuses on the European economic recovery after the Covid-19 pandemic, and is designed to be a hub for research, policy, teaching and engagement on this cutting-edge topic.

Background & Role

The DCU Brexit Institute intends to appoint a full-time Postdoctoral Researcher with expertise in the field of EU law and politics, to work inter alia in the framework of the REBUILD project.

It is envisaged that this appointment will commence in September 2022. The contract will be for a fixed-term period corresponding to the duration of the REBUILD project. The selected candidate will work under the leadership and direction of Federico Fabbrini (Full Professor of European Law, Director of the Brexit Institute and PI of the REBUILD project) and contribute to the development of the DCU Brexit Institute and its activities. As part of this role the researcher will be required to participate in the DCU Research Career Framework. This framework is designed to provide significant professional development opportunities to Researchers and offer the best opportunities in terms of a wider career path.

Duties and Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the position include, but are not restricted to, the following:

- Undertaking academic research in the area of EU law and politics, including Brexit, the post-pandemic EU economic recovery and the future of Europe;
- Delivering scientific publications in this field, including blogs, working papers, events' reports and journal articles, and policy briefs, on a regular basis;
- Contribute to teaching at University level, including by taking up responsibility for the full delivery of specific modules in the field of EU institutions and the law and politics of Brexit, including the marking of exams and the corresponding administrative obligations, for a maximum of two modules per academic year;
- Contribute to the research programme of the REBUILD project, in particular by aiding in the scientific organization of the project's conferences, fostering the interchange between the main research streams of the project, drafting reports, recording podcasts, and promoting the dissemination of the research outcomes to the broader public.
- Contribute to the development of the REBUILD project Massive Open Online Course (MOOC);
- Contribute to the organization of academic and policy seminars and workshops;
- Contribute to fund-raising, including applying for externally funded grants;
- Participate in the production of project related deliverables on time and in full;
- Develop or contribute to research proposals in line with research programme in collaboration with the Principal Investigator;
- Lead and collaborate in the production of dissemination material and results of the research (i.e. high quality scientific publications, reports) in which he/she is engaged with the support of and under the supervision of the Principal Investigator;
- Carry out administrative work associated with the programme as necessary.

Minimum Criteria

Applicants should have a PhD in a law or political science, proven experience of post-doctoral research in international academic and policy centres, and a track-record of successful applications for national or EU funding. The successful individual should be capable of working in a team and contributing to developing the research and policy agenda of the Brexit Institute.

Individuals with international publications, and experience in the management of EU-funded research projects are particularly encouraged to apply.

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 post holder will be required to undertake the following essential compliance training: Orientation, Health & Safety and Data Protection (GDPR). Other training may need to be undertaken when required.

Salary Scale: Post-Doctoral researcher IUA scale – point 1 €39,523 per annum

Closing date: Wednesday, 27th April 2022

Expected starting date: 1st September 2022

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

Prof. Federico Fabbrini, Director of Brexit Institute - federico.fabbrini@dcu.ie

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

Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line: Job Ref - #RF1657 Post-Doc Researcher at Brexit Institute

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