



## PhD Scholarship Opportunity

DCU National Centre for Family Business  
DCU Business School

### Background

Dublin City University ([www.dcu.ie](http://www.dcu.ie)) is a research intensive, globally engaged, dynamic institution which has developed its own research specialists, established internationally recognized centres of excellence that have substantive collaborative links with leading universities and industrial partners. DCU is distinguished both by the quality and impact of its graduates and by its focus on the translation of knowledge into societal and economic benefit. Through its mission to transform lives and societies through education, research and innovation DCU acts as an agent of social, cultural and economic progress. DCU is Ireland's fastest growing university and now hosts more than 17,000 students across its three academic campuses: DCU Glasnevin Campus, DCU St Patrick's Campus and DCU All Hallows campus.

An innovative and dynamic Business School, DCU Business School (DCU BS) offers an extensive range of research and taught programmes at undergraduate, postgraduate, executive and doctoral levels. DCU Business School is recognised nationally and internationally for the outstanding quality of its business education programs.

Our teaching, learning and research activities are strongly influenced by the core guiding principles of relevance and excellence.

DCU Business School is Ireland's most ambitious business school, part of Ireland's 'University of Enterprise', Dublin City University. Through teaching, research and engagement with industry DCU Business School proactively contributes to the development of individuals, industry and society at home and abroad. The DCU Business School is an AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) and AMBA (The Association of MBAs) accredited school.

**The National Centre for Family Business** at DCU is a leading international family business research centre. By translating world-class research into best practice insights, we empower family firms to embrace contemporary challenges and achieve continuity across generations. Family businesses represent 64 percent of all businesses in Ireland and contribute significantly to GDP. These firms currently face significant challenges due to recent economic shocks, including Brexit and Covid-19. Now more than ever family businesses need to drastically rethink their business model to ensure long-term survival for future generations.

As part of our growth strategy **The National Centre for Family Business** are hiring PhD scholars to join our research team. The PhD researcher will engage in a research project to better understand family firm dynamics and their longevity across generations. We offer a stimulating learning and research environment, and a structured PhD programme. Successful candidates will conduct research projects under faculty supervision and gain access to world-leading scholars who are engaged with the NCFB.

Applications are sought from exceptional graduates from Ireland and overseas. Applicants should have an outstanding academic record at undergraduate and postgraduate level in any discipline and a research interest in one of the following subject areas:

- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Strategy and Growth
- Organisational Behaviour
- Sustainability

To discover more about this PhD Scholarship Opportunity and the submission process please email Dr Eric Clinton ([eric.clinton@dcu.ie](mailto:eric.clinton@dcu.ie)). The closing date for submission is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022.