



Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position  
**Assistant Professor in Social, Personal, Health Education (SPHE)**  
**School of Human Development**  
**The Institute of Education**  
**3 year Fixed Term Contract**

### **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.

### **Overview of the department**

The School of Human Development is one of the six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is made up of a dynamic and unique group of scholars, researchers and teachers working in partnership, and whose academic interests span teacher education, the humanities, the social sciences, and the broad field of Human Development including SPHE. The School’s SPHE lecturers play leading roles in the development of national policy in SPHE and RSE in both primary and post-

primary education, are active members of international networks, and constitute a cluster of expertise and scholarship in a field of increasing public interest.

### **Role Profile**

We are now seeking to recruit an Assistant Professor with expertise in the field of SPHE. The successful individual will join an established team supporting initial and continuing teacher education, professional learning and research in the fields of SPHE and RSE, and teacher education more broadly. The successful individual will be based on the St. Patrick's campus and report to the Head of School of Human Development.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

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

### **Qualifications and Experience**

- A postgraduate qualification, preferably at doctoral level, in SPHE or closely related fields
- Experience of working in and with primary schools, and of initial teacher education for the primary sector is highly desirable.
- An emerging research/publication profile in SPHE or closely related fields
- Familiarity with the Irish education system and current developments in primary education and in teacher education policy will be particularly important
- Familiarity with developments in SPHE in Ireland will be expected
- Experience in teacher education is highly desirable
- Familiarity with online course delivery systems is highly desirable
- The successful individual should be capable of working in a team and contributing to developing the teaching and research agenda within the School

### **Essential Training**

The postholder 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:**

Assistant Professor (Lecturer Above Bar) €55,252.00 - €88,547.00

Assistant Professor (Lecturer Below Bar) €41,515.00 - €56,942.00

\*\*Please note the Assistant Professor (Lecturer Above Bar) salary scale applies to those with a PhD only.

Appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and will be made on the appropriate point of the salary scale in line with current Government pay policy.

**Closing date: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

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

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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>

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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*In line with the Employment Equality Acts 1998 – 2015, the University is committed to equality of treatment for all those who engage with its recruitment, selection and appointment processes.*

*The University's Athena SWAN Bronze Award signifies the University's commitment to promoting gender equality and addressing any gender pay gaps. Information on a range of university policies aimed at creating a supportive and flexible work environment are available in the [DCU Policy Starter Packs](#)*