



PhD Scholarship Opportunity

Centre for Assessment Research, Policy and Practice in Education

Dublin City University (www.dcu.ie) is a research-intensive, globally-engaged, dynamic institution that is distinguished by both the quality and impact of its graduates and its focus on the translation of knowledge into societal and economic benefit. As a core element of DCU's Institute of Education, a Centre for Assessment Research, Policy and Practice in Education (CARPE) has been established. In partnership with Prometric (a leading, worldwide provider of technology-enabled testing and assessment services with a significant operations base in Ireland), DCU appointed a Chair in Assessment to provide academic and research leadership in the area of educational assessment.

With the support of Prometric, we now have an opportunity for a **three year fully-funded PhD Scholarship** in the area of assessment. Under the supervision of the Prometric Chair, the successful candidate will develop a research project in consultation with Prometric that will be of interest to the educational community more broadly. In addition, the successful candidate will be expected to engage in professional development courses as required by DCU Doctoral Regulations and contribute to CARPE research through the writing of research reports/academic papers and presentations at conferences in Ireland and abroad.

Criteria

Applicants should have:

1. a Master's degree in education, psychology or related field;
2. a good understanding of current issues in educational assessment;
3. the ability to conceptualise and undertake research projects pertinent to educational assessment;
4. high level competence in written and oral communication in English;
5. the interpersonal skills necessary for productive collaborations;
6. the ability to take initiative and to work independently in meeting demanding research goals.

It should be noted that the award is contingent on the applicant meeting all the requirements for admission to doctoral studies at DCU (<https://www.dcu.ie/instituteofeducation/phdmasters-research-application>) and, following the initial selection process, a detailed research proposal being developed in consultation with Prometric and approved by DCU's Graduate Studies Research Board.

The successful candidate will be engaged full-time in their research and will be based St Patrick's Campus, DCU. The scholarship will cover DCU's PhD fees for three years as well as a tax-exempt stipend of €16,500 per annum for three years.

Closing Date: Thursday, April 21st, 2022

Prepare a statement indicating how you meet each of the criteria 2-6 above (write about 250 words in respect of each) and submit electronically with a pdf version of your CV (include the names of two referees) to michael.oleary@dcu.ie. You may also post your application to:

Prof. Michael O'Leary

Prometric Chair in Assessment/Director of CARPE

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