



Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position

**Teaching Assistant  
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences  
11 Months Fixed-Term Contract (Full-Time)**

**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.

**The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**

The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences is home to seven schools including the School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies; the School of Communications; the School of English; Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge; the School of Law and Government; the School of History and Geography; the School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music and a number of research centres and institutes. This faculty is DCU's largest faculty, offering long-established subjects such as English Literature, Applied Languages, Geography, History, Irish, Law, Music, Politics, Theology and Religious Studies, and Philosophy and

newer disciplines such as Media Studies, Journalism, Social Entrepreneurship, Translation Studies and International Relations. The faculty also deliver online distance learning programmes to an Honours degree level in the humanities subject areas.

### **Role Profile**

Teaching Assistants are essential members of the University's academic community. The faculty is now seeking to recruit a Teaching Assistant who will be assigned to the distance learning BA programmes in the faculty. The Teaching Assistant will work under the direction of the faculty members who have overall responsibility for the programmes. The purpose of the role is to provide assistance in the preparation, assessment and delivery of teaching within the programme. This post offers an attractive opportunity for personal development while working within an innovative and supportive environment.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

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

### **Qualifications and Experience**

- The successful individual will hold a primary degree (Level 8) or equivalent in a relevant discipline and ideally be educated to postgraduate level in related area.
- The successful individual will have previous experience and sufficient knowledge of at least one of the following disciplines - English, Philosophy and History to contribute to the delivery of the faculty's undergraduate programme.
- Good communication, organisational and interpersonal skills
- Be capable of demonstrating an interest in student learning and motivation to contribute to the successful running of the programmes.
- The successful individual must have strong IT skills in order to aid online learning.

### **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:** Teaching assistant salary scale: €30,306 - €33,545

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

**Closing date:** Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August 2022

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

Dr. Leeann Lane, Programme Chair, BA in Humanities, BA in English & History and BA Single Module,  
DCU E-mail: [leeann.lane@dcu.ie](mailto:leeann.lane@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>

Please submit the application form, CV and cover letter by email to [martha.carson@dcu.ie](mailto:martha.carson@dcu.ie)

**Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line:  
Job Ref #ST1713 Teaching Assistant FHSS**

*Dublin City University is an equal opportunities employer.*

*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](#)*