

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position

Assistant Professor in History School of History and Geography Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Permanent position

Overview

Dublin City University (<u>www.DCU.ie</u>) 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 and Transformation', it is committed to the development of talent, and the discovery and translation of knowledge that advances society and the economy. DCU is the Sunday Times Irish University of the Year 2021.

The University is based on three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra region of north Dublin. It currently has more than 18,000 students 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 creating a transformative student experience, and its positive social and economic impact. This exceptional commitment on the part of its staff and students has led to DCU's ranking among the top 2% of universities globally. It also consistently features in the world's Top 100 Young Universities (currently in QS Top 70 Under 50, Times Higher Top 150 Under 100).

DCU is placed 84th in the world, in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings – measuring higher education institutions' contributions towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Over the past decade, DCU has also been the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer, as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

The School of History and Geography:

The School of History and Geography is an ambitious, research-focussed school in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. While maintaining and promoting an international perspective, the School has a particular focus on Ireland – its geography, history and landscape. The combining of History and Geography has created a School that is unique in Ireland in its interdisciplinary range and research potential, and that is well positioned to play a leading role, nationally and internationally, in the disciplines of History, Geography and Irish Studies. Both History and Geography are offered on the Bachelor of Arts: Joint Honours programme, where they are consistently among the most popular subjects. The School teaches History on the Bachelor of Religious Education and History, and

contributes to the Bachelor of Education (primary). At postgraduate level both subjects offer a PhD programme; the School delivers an MA in History and contributes to the MSc in Climate Change: Policy, Media and Society. The School has a growing and dynamic postgraduate community.

Role Profile

The School of History and Geography anticipates appointing an Assistant Professor in History, with a primary expertise in late medieval/early modern Ireland commencing on 1 September 2021. The successful candidate will be expected to play an active part in the delivery of the School's taught programmes at undergraduate and postgraduate level, and to contribute to the identification, development and delivery of new modules and programmes. The School offers excellent opportunities for candidates to teach within their own area of research specialisation and to supervise PhD candidates. The School is committed to high quality research: it expects its staff to maintain an active research profile, to publish regularly in leading journals and it supports its staff in such work.

Duties and Responsibilities:

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

Teaching and Learning

The successful candidate will contribute to the development, teaching, assessment and administration of modules in the undergraduate and postgraduate programmes delivered in the School by

- Engaging in module design and delivery, including specialist and survey modules
- Contributing to the design, development, and management of existing and future programmes
- Supervising undergraduate research projects and postgraduate theses, and
- Contributing to the wider teaching of the School, as required by the Head.

Research and Scholarship

The successful candidate will be committed to high-quality research and publication on an individual and a collaborative basis. The successful candidate will be expected to:

- Publish articles in leading peer-review journals and/or books with high-profile publishers;
- Develop and support research initiatives within the School of History and Geography and the wider university;
- Apply for grants consistent with the School and Faculty's research agenda; and
- Attract and supervise high-calibre PhD students.

Service and Contribution to University and Society

Activities taken on the successful candidate's own initiative, or allocated by the Head of School, may include:

- Engaging with policy-makers and the media;
- Participating in School and University meetings;
- Representing the School in marketing activity and the recruitment of students;

• Developing relationships with stakeholders within and outside the University.

Qualifications and Experience

Applicants for the position must hold an honours degree and have completed a Doctoral qualification in History, or cognate discipline. The successful individual should also have a minimum of three year's relevant postdoctoral experience, with a record of high quality university level teaching.

The ideal candidate will also possess a subset of the following:

- A primary expertise in the history of late medieval and/or early modern Ireland (pre-1690).
- An excellent research and publication record.
- Capable of working in a team and contributing to developing the teaching and research agenda of the School, as well as supporting the School's activities through grant applications.

The postholder will contribute to the school's undergraduate History programme, through the development and delivery of both survey and special subject modules in medieval and early modern History, and by developing new offerings. There is a requirement to teach undergraduate modules in an area or areas (including European and global history) different to the postholder's research specialism.

Mandatory training:

The postholder will be required to undertake the following mandatory compliance training: Orientation, Health & Safety, and Data Protection (GDPR). Other training may need to be undertaken when appropriate.