Caitriona Brennan

Faculty Manager - Faculty of Science and Health

Since taking on the role of Faculty Manager at the Faculty of Science and Health five years ago, Caitriona Brennan is a driver of change within the university. Drawing on her 10 years in Higher Education at the University of Toronto, Brennan’s international experience is one that adds a global vision and competence with expertise in the areas of strategic planning and equality.

Audrey Bryan

Associate Professor – School of Human Development

Audrey Bryan is an Associate Professor of Sociology in the School of Human Development. She holds a PhD in Comparative-International Education and Sociology from Columbia University, New York, a Masters in Applied Social Research from TCD and a BA in (Hons) Psychology from UCD. Having worked both nationally and internationally for over two decades in the university sector – in both administrative and academic capacities – Audrey has a deep understanding of what it takes to make universities and their communities thrive. Audrey has held numerous leadership roles and has served on numerous faculty and university level committees at DCU including the DCU Research Ethics Committee (since 2016), the Faculty Research Committee (2016-2021) and, prior to incorporation, the St. Patrick’s College Teaching and Learning Committee and College Research Committee.

With research interests and expertise spanning the fields of social and ecological justice, Audrey will work tirelessly to advance the university’s Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and Sustainability agendas. As the DCU lead on the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning funded Disciplines Inquiring into Societal Challenges (DISCS) project, she has been heavily involved in developing policy and strategic guidance for the Higher Education sector in relation to social justice. If elected to the Governing Authority, Audrey will use her knowledge and skills to advance the strategic development of DCU, particularly as it relates to attracting and supporting a diverse and international staff and student body, and advancing knowledge that addresses the world’s most pressing problems.

Karen Buckley

Assistant Professor - School of Inclusive and Special Education at the Institute of Education at DCU

As a qualified post-primary teacher and experienced teacher educator, Karen has enjoyed working across a range of educational settings in second level, further education and higher education. With particular research interest in inclusive pedagogy, Karen is an advocate for inclusive practice to improve and optimise teaching, learning and assessment in higher education.
Yvonne Daly

Professor – School of Law & Government

Professor Yvonne Daly has lectured Criminal law and the Law of Evidence at DCU since joining the university in 2006. Her research is focused on effective criminal defence, and she has a specific interest in police powers and suspect rights in the investigative stage of the criminal process. She has published widely on these issues, been the Irish PI on related EU-funded projects, and developed and delivered training for criminal defence solicitors on the basis of her research. She has also published academic articles and an edited collection on legal education. In 2021 she was awarded a "Teaching Hero" award from the National Forum for Teaching & Learning, in conjunction with the USI.

Yvonne has wide-ranging university administration experience, having been a programme chair, subject leader for law, research convenor, marketing officer, and having sat on the University's Appeal Board. She would be delighted with the opportunity to represent colleagues on Governing Authority.

Aisling De Paor

Associate Professor – School of Law & Government

Dr Aisling de Paor joined DCU in 2014, and lectures ‘Moot Court’, ‘Genetics Law and Society’ and ‘Medical Law and Bioethics.’ She has significant administrative experience; she leads experiential learning, external relations and engagement activities at the School of Law & Government. She has also sat on the University Appeals Board and is the new Programme Chair for the BCL degree. She is a qualified Solicitor with strong links to industry and various professional bodies, particularly in the legal profession. Aisling established DCU’s first Law INTRA programme, which led to the introduction of further placement programmes across the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Linked to this, she has established connections with various national and multinational employers, as well as public bodies and NGOs and has secured funding and sponsorship for DCU.

Aisling is student focused and enthusiastic about higher education. She has led various clinical legal education activities, and integrated a range of practical skills that support students in making the transition from university to professional life. In 2021 she received a ‘Teaching Hero’ Award from the National Forum of Teaching and Learning (and USI). She has been nominated for the President’s Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2017, 2018 and 2021, and won this Award in 2018. Aisling works on developing alumni engagement at DCU. In 2017 she established the Graduate Law Mentorship Programme & Network (with colleagues in the DCU Alumni Office and Careers Service). The initiative provides a graduate network of support for hundreds of DCU graduates, particularly benefitting those from under-represented backgrounds and first-generation university attenders.

Aisling’s research interests lie in the fields of genetics law and policy, medical law and disability law, and she has published widely in these areas. Through her research collaborations she has developed strong
international links with various universities across Europe, the USA and Canada. She sits on the Ethics Advisory Board for a multidisciplinary EU funded project (on advancing personalised medicine) and is an honorary fellow of the Burton Blatt Institute, Syracuse University, New York.

Aisling is passionate about the mission and values of DCU. She brings a strong focus on student, alumni and industry/community engagement and would be proud to represent colleagues on Governing Authority.

**Justin Doyle**

**Deputy Director - ISS**

Justin Doyle is the Deputy Director of Information Systems Services (ISS). He has worked in a variety of technical and managerial roles with ISS since joining the University in 1999. He has served on numerous working groups and committees over the years, collaborating with academic and professional colleagues, to serve the wider DCU community and advance strategic initiatives. He has also represented DCU on many working groups across the education sector, always promoting the DCU brand and bringing learnings back to the DCU community.

Justin has been part of many significant change initiatives across the organisation. He was in a managerial role in ISS as the organisation navigated the very complex Incorporation process over a number of years. He has played a key role in how ISS responded to the Covid emergency, including leading the initiative to deliver an online examinations platform. In his current role, he is responsible for cybersecurity, which has become a collaborative organisational effort to protect DCU.

Justin is passionate about contributing to the continuing progress and success of DCU.

Justin obtained a degree in Psychology at University College Dublin (BA, 1993), a degree in Computer Applications at DCU (BSc, 2002) and an Executive Masters of Business Administration also at DCU (MBA, 2014).

**Nicholas Dunne**

**Full Professor - School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering**

Nicholas has 21 years of university experience at Dublin City University (2000-2003 & 2016-present) and Queen’s University Belfast (2003-2015), where he has demonstrated substantial academic leadership and operational skills for driving agendas relating to education, research and impact of major strategic and operational importance at School, Faculty and University levels via effective communication and engagement with academic and business stakeholders, as well as national/international research funding agencies.

Nicholas is the Founding and Executive Director of Biodesign Europe, which is a joint appointment between the Faculty of Engineering and Computing and Faculty of Science and Health (DCU) and the
Biodesign Institute at Arizona State University. This senior scientific leadership role is focused on implementing a collaborative research programme that exploits the synergies between DCU and ASU research teams in the strategic focus areas of Healthcare Technology, Sustainable Manufacturing, Biotechnology, Bioanalytical Systems and Sustainability for Health. Since his appointment in 2020, Nicholas has led a Biodesign Europe faculty of 80 Principal Investigators that is currently delivering a world-class university research programme via the generation of €18.7M research income and through strategic collaboration with +20 universities and +10 industry partners.

Additionally, Nicholas is the current Director of DCU’s Medical Engineering Research Centre (Jan 2016) and was the Director of QUB’s Polymer Processing Research Centre (2012-2015). Within these roles, he has led and directed innovative education, research and industry initiatives through the generation of significant funding (~€30M); ensuring the respective School/Faculty contributes to the University’s strategic long-term vision for international-leading research excellence.

At University and Faculty level - Nicholas has been a strong advocate and contributor to the planning and delivery of DCU’s and QUB’s respective strategic visions. Specific examples at DCU include: (1) University Academic Promotion (2019-present), (2) University Strategic Working Group for Transparency and Empowerment (2017), (3) Academic Council (2016-2019), (4) University Quality Promotion Committee (2016-2019), (5) Faculty Management Committee (2017-2019), (6) Faculty Research Committee (2016-present); at QUB include (1) University Strategic Research Planning (2013-2015), (2) University Research Committee (2013-2015); (3) University Postgraduate Advisory Board (2012-2015); (4) University Research Ethics (2012-2015), (5) University Academic Offences (2012-2015).

At School level – Nicholas has led and directed operational change across different facets of the School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering (DCU) and the School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering (QUB) core business, e.g. education, research, recruitment and resource management. Specific examples at DCU include (1) Deputy Head of School -Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering (2017-2020) and (2) School Research Convener (2016-present); at QUB (1) School Research Director (2012-2015) where Nicholas was responsible for delivering the School’s research excellence as defined by the University’s strategic plan (2012-2016), which involved having a principal role in the recruitment, mentorship and direct line management of ~30 academic staff members, (2) Advisor of Studies (2010-2013) for over 600 BEng and MEng undergraduate students enrolled on the Mechanical Engineering Degree Programme, (3) Co-Chair of Athena Swan successive bids that secured bronze and silver awards at School-level.

Nicholas is recognised as a global leader in research and education for the development of drug-biomaterial combinations for musculoskeletal repair/regeneration, wound-healing and cancer regimens. Since 2000, Nicholas has successfully supervised/mentored to completion 35 PhD/24 MSc students. Currently, he is supervising 17 PhD students. He has also managed/mentored 14 postdoctoral research fellows and is currently managing 4 PD research fellows. All qualified postgraduate and postdoctoral researchers have secured full-time employment in biomaterials/biomedical engineering-based industries or forged an independent academic research career. Further details of Nicholas research profile can be found at https://www.dcu.ie/medeng/people/nicholas-dunne.
Nicholas strongly believes that he has the necessary key skills, experience and broad perspective to be a collegiate and effective voice on the DCU Executive to ensure our university continues to drive change and excellence across its strategic areas of education, research, impact and public engagement at both national and international levels and discharges its responsibilities concerning transparency and accountability to all its serves.

Samantha Fahy
Sustainability Unit – Office of the Chief Operations Officer

In 2012, I took up the post of DCU Sustainability Manager following 20 years as a Research Centre Manager in Science and Engineering. Working with internal and external stakeholders I focus on delivering a holistic cross institutional and sectoral sustainability solutions, along with developing and implementing policy change to embed sustainability. I have led DCU in a series of initiatives including the establishment of the DCU Sustainability Council and the development of a Climate Action Plan for DCU delivering novel and innovative initiatives to help us reach our science-based targets. Specific initiatives on plastics include in 2018, working with students and management at DCU we introduced the first Irish University Plastic Free Initiative and in 2021, under the SFI Future Innovator Prize: Plastics Challenge and together with a research team in DCU as the Societal Impact Champion, we are working together on the Grain4Lab project to develop an innovative solution to reduce the reliance on single-use plastics in science laboratories worldwide.

These interventions have gained DCU a top twenty position in the International UI Green Metrics rankings for the last four years running and have also successfully gained and retained DCU’s Green Campus Status under the An Taisce / International Foundation for Environmental Education programme for all DCU academic campuses.

I am the current chair of the Irish Universities Associations (IUA) Sustainability Working Group working with all other Irish universities to deliver collaborative sustainable solutions (including EPA funded Sustainable Living Lab Campus Project). I also participate in the following groups/panels: European Commission Expert Group on Greening the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action (MSCA), DCU rep on the European Consortium of Innovative Universities Sustainability Sub Committee (2012-2018), Green Broadcaster Advisory Group with RTÉ, American Chamber of Commerce Sustainability Taskforce, SEAI Public Sector Labs Working Group.

I believe that we must continue to work to ensure that we understand the impact of our actions, locally and internationally, now and intergenerational and I feel that I can bring to our senior management groups knowledge and experience to help DCU become a more sustainable university.
Colum Foley

Assistant Professor – DCU Business School

Colum Foley has recently completed an EdD degree through the Institute of Education at DCU. His research was in the area of policy in online learning. He holds a Master’s degree in Management of Operations from DCU, and a Bachelor of Commerce Degree from UCC. He has been lecturing on the Masters Programmes at Open Education in DCU since 2003, taking on the role of Programme Chair/Director for the Post Graduate Programmes in 2013, until last year, when he moved to DCU Business School. Colum worked in industry for over 25 years holding a variety of training and operations management roles. He has worked with City and Guilds, the Communications and Management Institute, The Institute of Purchasing and Materials Management, Tallaght Institute of Technology, Eason, and EM News among others. He was until recently co-ordinator of DCU Connected University of Sanctuary Scholarships. He has been a member of various DCU Committees including the TEU Advisory Board, and the DCU Appeals Committee. He is a former Chair of Dunshaughlin Youths Soccer club, and a member of DCU Campus Choir.

Claire Gubbins

Professor – DCU Business School

Claire is a Professor of Organisational Behaviour & HRM at DCU Business School.

She was previously a Fulbright scholar at Carnegie Mellon University, Director of DCU’s Executive MBA Programme and Associate Editor for Human Resource Development Quarterly (an SSCI listed journal).


Awards for her work include: a Fulbright Award, a Career Enhancement Award, US Academy of Human Resource Development (AHRD) finalist award for her dissertation; BEST paper runner-up for the Alan Moon Memorial prize at the International Conference on HRD Research & Practice; and Best paper in track at the Irish Academy of Management.

She received the DCU Presidents award for Excellence in Teaching (Assessment & feedback) in 2013 and was a nominee in 2011/2012/2015. In 2018 she was nominated by MBA programme participants in the Team Category for her role as MBA Director. She was short-listed for the DCU Presidents award for Engagement in 2021.
She is on the Council of the Irish Institute of Training and Development (IITD) and the Irish Academy of Management (IAM). She is an invited Fellow of the Centre for Evidence Based Management. She is on the editorial board for the Journal of European Industrial Training.

Previously, Claire was a Fulbright Scholar at Carnegie Mellon University USA, a Senior Research Fellow on the Irish Centre for Manufacturing Research (ICMR) project on Tacit Knowledge Management, Learning and Systems, a Senior Research Fellow at the Enterprise Research Centre with the University of Limerick working in collaboration with Trinity College Dublin on the ICMR project on Training and Training Information Support. She was a Lecturer in Management and HRM at University College Cork and a Lecturer of HRM and Organisational Behaviour with the Kemmy Business School at the University of Limerick. She was awarded her Ph.D. from the University of Limerick; her research was at the interface of organisational behaviour and human resource development and focused on the influence of social networks on career, professional development and work outcomes. She is a former Government of Ireland Scholar, awarded the Government of Ireland Research Scholarship (IRCHSS) and the University of Limerick Registrars scholarship to conduct her PhD.

She is an experienced Speaker to a range of industries in such areas as knowledge management through people and organisational systems, leadership assessment and development centres, learning and development programme design. She was a facilitator on the Enterprise Ireland Management4Growth programme for SME’s at DCU and on the INVEST NI Leadership Development programme for SME’s.

Her research interests are in the area of informal learning, knowledge sharing, tacit knowledge, social networks, social networks and trust, evidence based decision making, learning and development, learning and development in new world of work (remote, online, working from home), social networks and relationships in new world of work (remote, online, working from home).

Gerard McEvoy

Head of Estates

Having worked in the Higher Education sector for 22 years I have delivered many programmes of change and innovation and participated on a wide range of internal and external groups and committees, including representing DCU at the Irish Universities Association (IUA), whilst continuously promoting an environment of inclusivity and equality.

Since joining DCU in 2007 I have focused on the ongoing development of the University physical infrastructure to ensure the DCU campus environment, buildings and facilities meets the evolving needs of students and staff, across all campuses, and supports the University in all its activities.

Working closely with local Schools, Faculties and Professional Units over many years I have gained a detailed understanding of the challenges shared across the University leading to effective and collaborative implementation of solutions on an ongoing basis.
With a strong ethos for continuous improvement and focus on the delivery of strategic initiatives to support University goals, I am also an advocate for the implementation of processes for accountability and transparency in decision making which I believe are core components of successful governance.

Looking forward, there are many challenges and opportunities ahead in the context of an ever-changing University landscape and Higher Education sector as well as the impacts of Covid-19 on our campus environment. I would be delighted to contribute to the valuable work of the University Executive in continuing to navigate these challenges, through commitment, hard work and experience, while continuing to explore opportunities to improve the campus experience for all staff and students.

Peter McGorman

Director of Information Systems Services

Peter has been working in DCU for over 30 years and has had a variety of roles in the School of Electronic Engineering, the School of Computing, the Faculty of Engineering and Computing and Information Systems Services. His broad experience working with Schools, Faculties, and Professional units has given him a very good understanding of the many issues and challenges that we all face. Peter has worked successfully with technical, academic and professional colleagues and has contributed to many DCU committees and working groups.

Peter is an advocate for the development of the University's digital vision, for strong governance and for clarity around decision making and direction. He believes in the interoperability and integration of digital systems and services, to enhance operational efficiency, leading to a better staff and student experience. Peter believes that the cybersecurity threat and the digital agenda will be better served by having an IT professional on the University Executive.

Eilish McLaughlin

Associate Professor – School of Physical Sciences

Eilish McLoughlin is an Associate Professor and Deputy Head of the School of Physical Sciences. She is a Fellow of the Institute of Physics and a Chartered Physicist. She is a founding member of the Research Centre for the Advancement of STEM Teaching and Learning (CASTeL) and has served as Centre Director since 2008. She is a member of the Faculty Management Board and Faculty Research Committee in the Faculty of Science and Health. She also serves as a member of the national advisory boards of CTYI, STEAM in Youth Work, Gender Balance in STEM and as co-chair of the Institute of Physics in Ireland Education group. She is a current member of several international boards, including GiREP International Research Group on Physics Teaching, IUPAP International Commission for Physics Education and Science on Stage Europe. She obtained her PhD in Experimental Physics (Surface Science) and since starting her academic career in DCU in 2000 her research interests have evolved to focus on Physics Education, including the development of curriculum, instruction and assessment models in STEM education and promotion of

Eilish is actively involved in teaching undergraduate and postgraduate physics modules for both students and STEM teachers. She has served on the management committee of the BSc Science Education since 2000 and received funding from the HEA in 2020 to coordinate a new national upskilling programme for physics teachers. She believes passionately that science is for everybody and has led several large-scale national initiatives to widen participation, including, Physics Busking, Science on Stage, Improving Gender Balance, STEAM in Youthreach and the STEM Teacher Internship programme. She has received recognition for her leadership in STEM education and engagement across formal and informal contexts: including the Science Foundation Ireland Communicator of the Year (2019), Institute of Physics Lise Meitner Medal (2018), Dublin City University’s President Award for Engagement (2017), NAIRTL National Award for Teaching Excellence (2010), Institute of Physics Young Professional Physicist of the Year (2006) and Dublin City University’s President Award for Teaching and Learning (2005).

Martin Molony

Lecturer - School of Communications

Martin is a teaching and learning specialist who is ideally equipped from his experience of twenty-five years as a university lecturer to reflect that perspective into the guidance and decision making of the Senior Executive.

He has a deep and varied experience of academic management in the School of Communications. He has served as Programme Chair of undergraduate degrees in Communication Studies, Journalism and Multimedia. More recently he formulated, and is now Chair of, the successful MSc in Public Relations & Strategic Communications and he has served as a member of faculty Teaching & Learning and Marketing committees.

Martin has a strong track record of collaboration and worked with and supported teaching across the university, developing and delivering modules in the DCUBS, the School of Computing and in the School of Nursing.

Martin’s supplements his extensive academic teaching and leadership experience with a considerable track record in the business, professional and voluntary sectors. This has helped him work successfully in a range of cross university roles or structures including two terms on the university’s Education Committee and multiple terms on Academic Council. He has also been a member of several university-wide working groups, including those on CAO, online learning, postgraduate admissions, student fees, and was Chair of the university’s Disability Admissions Committee.
A strong communicator and a good listener who is not afraid to challenge or ask the question, if elected Martin will bring a keen sense of the need to maintain standards in teaching and a fairness to all to his work as a member of the University Executive.

Colleen Murrell
Professor - School of Communications

I joined the staff at Dublin City University in January 2020, after 20 years in Australia. I am a member of the Institute for Future Media and Democracy (FuJo) and the lead researcher for the Reuters Digital News Report (Ireland) 2021-3. Previously I worked as an academic in Journalism and Communications at Deakin University (2003-16), Monash University (2016-18) and Swinburne University of Technology (2018-20), where I remain an adjunct fellow. I was awarded my PhD from the University of Melbourne and my Master’s in International Journalism from City, University of London. I have been head of journalism and broadcasting and have sat on many university committees including those related to research, ethics and curriculum enhancement. At DCU I am head of broadcasting (radio and television), and research global media newsgathering, transnational broadcasting, public service media, news agencies, terrorism coverage, the safety of journalists and philanthropic funding. I publish regularly in international journals, and am currently writing a book on BBC newsgathering. I also hold a post as an external programme examiner at Queen’s University Belfast. I care deeply about the financing of public interest journalism and have given testimony to Senate inquiries in Australia. In 2021 I gave an invited presentation to the Future of Media Commission in Ireland on future funding of journalism. I had two Irish parents and grew up in London and Brussels, pursuing a first career as a journalist for organisations including the BBC, ITN, Associated Press Television, French Television (TF1), CBC-Radio Canada and ABC Australia.

I can bring to this committee a fresh, international perspective. Having worked for several universities I have experienced structural and regulatory changes and am committed to keeping the focus on what benefits students and staff so that they and the university can flourish. I work hard, think creatively and have an eye for detail. As a trained journalist, I am prepared to ask difficult questions in pursuit of transparency of information. I believe that good governance depends on a diverse community so that Dublin City University continues to grow in academic prestige both within Ireland and in the international sphere. She/her.
Orla Nic Aodha

**Associate Director - Library**

Orla Nic Aodha works in the library in DCU. She has over 20 years experience working in University libraries. She is a member of the senior management team and was appointed Associate Director of Public Services and Outreach in October 2016. Prior to that Orla was the Head Librarian in St. Patrick’s College. Orla has an MA in Irish, a diploma in Employee Relations and Human Resource Management and qualified as an Executive Coach in 2019 from the Coach Institute of Ireland. Orla completed the European Consortium of Innovative Universities (ECIU) Leadership Development Programme in 2016. Orla is an Associate of the Library Association of Ireland and a member of IFUT (The Irish Federation of University Teachers).

Neil O’Boyle

**Associate Professor – School of Communications**

Dr. Neil O’Boyle is an Associate Professor in the School of Communications. He teaches across a range of subjects, including communication theory, advertising, sport, and psychology, and has been a nominee for the President’s Excellence in Teaching Award five times. His research examines the interrelationships between media, popular culture, and collective identities and has been published in a wide variety of international journals, including Television and New Media, Sport and Society, Cultural Sociology, the European Journal of Communication, and Communication Education. Neil was a primary investigator on both an Irish Research Council and European-funded research project, and he is a former editor for Cogent Social Sciences. His most recent book is Sport, the Media, and Ireland (2020).

Neil has held a number of leadership positions at DCU. He was Chair of both the BA in Communication Studies and MA in International Communication Studies programmes, a member of the University’s Quality Promotion Committee, and Rapporteur for the external review of the Office of External Affairs in 2018. He is currently the Media Studies subject representative on the BA Joint Honours programme.

Pádraig Ó Duibhir

**Deputy Dean of the institute of Education**

Pádraig Ó Duibhir has been Deputy Dean of the Dublin City University (DCU) Institute of Education since 2016. Prior to that he was Registrar of St Patrick’s College. He is a past member of DCU Executive Committee, University Standards Committee, Research Ethics Committee and Examination Appeals Committee and a current member of Budget Committee and the SIS Design Panel. He is Director of SEALBHÚ, the DCU Research Centre for the Learning and Teaching of Irish. He has served as a
board/council member on the Governing Body of St Patrick’s College, the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment, the Teaching Council and received relevant training in the fulfilment of these roles.

His major research interests lie in second language acquisition and pedagogy applied to minority languages. He is interested in teacher education and language teaching with a particular interest in the teaching of Irish as a subject and as a medium of instruction. This encompasses aspects of bilingualism, immersion education and second language teaching and learning. He has published extensively in these areas. He is joint editor of the *Journal of Immersion and Content-Based Language Education*.

**James O’Higgins Norman**

**Professor - National Anti Bullying Research and Resource Centre**

Prof. James O'Higgins Norman is UNESCO Chair in Tackling Bullying in Schools and Cyberspace and is Director of the DCU Anti-Bullying Centre. James has worked as a DCU academic for 21 years in a number of roles including Head of School, Programme Chair, Faculty Teaching & Learning Committee, and Academic Council as well as lecturing in sociology and equality studies.

With his colleagues in the School of Education Studies he established the first part-time teacher education qualification for second-level teachers in Ireland, ultimately creating the largest post-graduate programme in the University. James's research has focused on bullying in schools and society and he has played an important role in forming government and international educational policy. For this he recently received the President's Award for Research Impact.

Since 2012, when he became Director of DCU's Anti-Bullying Centre, James has successfully raised several million euro in research funding and ensured that DCU is recognised as a global leader in research and education on bullying. James has represented DCU with the Government, UN, and the European Commission, and worked closely with colleagues in every faculty of the University to help ensure that DCU remains at the forefront of development in education and research.

**Michele Pringle**

**Senior Faculty Subject Matter Expert on the SIS Programme**

Michele is a Senior Faculty Subject Matter Expert on the SIS Programme, having recently moved from the Faculty of Engineering and Computing where she served as Faculty Manager for 15 years. Michele was privileged to act as a member of the Faculty Management Team from 2005-2021. Prior to joining DCU, Michele was the Academic Services Manager at Queen Mary University of London. Ever keen to develop both personally and professionally, Michele earned a degree in Information Systems and Management from the University of London before completing a Masters in Operations Management (DCU Open Education, 2011).
Michele has served on a number of university level Committees and recently stepped down as a member of DCU Executive having served her term ending in 2021. Over her career to date, Michele has served variously as a member of the Institutional Review 2018 - CINNTE Steering group and as a composite part of the Quality Promotions Committee [2014 - 2017]. A conscientious citizen of the DCU community, Michele has worked actively to support the University in carrying out the role of rapporteur for the University's Library Quality review in 2015 which was taking place at a time when the University was in the process of Incorporation. Michele promotes change and promotes equality, and contributes as a member of the Women in Leadership Working group [2016 to present].

Adolfo Rey

Capital Projects Manager – Estates Office

Adolfo Rey works in the Estates Office and is the University's Capital Projects Manager. Originally from Spain he completed studies in Architecture in Madrid and later professional qualifications in Construction Surveying and Management in the UK. Adolfo worked for many years on property and construction consultancy including large programme management in a variety of different countries in Europe and the Americas. Since joining DCU Adolfo has been in charge of the management of the University's Capital development programme with overall responsibility for all building design and construction work at DCU. Adolfo's area of work includes liaison with a broad spectrum of disciplines such as Finance, Procurement, Sustainability, Space Planning and Health and Safety. He has managed all developments part of the University's 2016 Campus Development Plan and has managed the delivery of the current 2020-2030 Master plan. He reports to the University's Capital Projects Committee and is a member of the University's Visual Arts Committee.

Joe Travers

Head of School - School of Inclusive & Special Education

Dr Joe Travers is a teacher educator and the current Head of School of Inclusive and Special Education in DCU Institute of Education. Previously he was Director of Special Education (2008-2016) in St. Patrick’s College, Drumcondra joining the College in 1998. He is a former primary school teacher and graduate of Coláiste Mhuire, Marino (B.Ed), Trinity College (Dip. in Ed. Mgt), St. Patrick’s College, Drumcondra (Dip. in Sp.Ed), NUI Maynooth (M.Ed) and Queen’s University Belfast (Ed.D). He recently completed a Diploma in Business and Executive Coaching.

Joe has published in the areas of policy and practice in inclusive education, learning support for mathematics, leadership and early intervention. He has been principal investigator on research projects for the National Council for Special Education (NCSE) and for the Department of Education. Through teaching, research and leadership he is an advocate for inclusion in all levels of education.
Ray Walshe

Senior Researcher - Adapt

Asst Professor Ray Walshe, Director of European Observatory for ICT Standards (EUOS)

Ray is Senior Researcher in the ADAPT Research Centre in Dublin City University (DCU), IRELAND.

He began his career in industry as a software engineer, software consultant and project manager with LM Ericsson, Software and Systems Engineering Limited and Siemens. Joining the School of Computing DCU in 1995 he delivers AI, IoT and Data Governance modules on Undergraduate, Masters, and PhD Programmes and is current (2021) Chair of the Graduate Diploma in Web Technologies. Ray is Chair of Big Data Value Association (BDVA/DAIRO) Standards Task Force, Chair of Network Development @ Gender Responsive Standards at UNECE (United Nations Economic Committee for Europe), Chair of the External Advisory Board of StandICT.eu, Chair of the Foresight Committee for EUOS, Research Partner in StandICT2023.eu and Co-Lead on ELITE-S Fellowship Project for Emerging Technologies Standardization (Elite-Fellowships.eu). Ray has been a Digital Leader with World Economic Forum since 2016 and was appointed to the IEEE European Public Policy Committee on ICT in 2019 as the AI WG Lead for IEEE EPPC. Ray was also appointed in 2020 to the OECD Network of Experts (ONE AI) and in 2021 became a member of Strategic Advisory Board of JTC 21 Artificial Intelligence for European Standards Organisation CEN CENELEC. Ray is currently (2021) serving on the Geo-Political Standards Advisory Group (GCSAG) for the European Commission and is a member of the EC Multi Stakeholder Platform Task Force for the Rolling Plan for ICT Standardization.

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