

Dublin City University Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies

> Assistant Professor in French Assistant Professor in German Permanent posts

### Introduction

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. DCU prepares its students well for success in life, and in the workplace, by providing a high-quality, rounded education appropriate to the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. As Ireland's University of Enterprise and Transformation, DCU is characterised by a focus on innovation and entrepreneurship and a track-record of effective engagement with the enterprise sector, including commercial, social and cultural enterprises. Excellence in its education and research activities has led to DCU's consistent position in the rankings of the world's top young universities.

# The School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS)

The School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS), within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, at Dublin City University is a world leader in applied language and translation studies. DCU is also ranked in the top 200 universities in the world for modern languages. We are seeking to consolidate and expand our provision in French and German by appointing a new Assistant Professor in French and a new Assistant Professor in German to begin on 1 September 2021.

SALIS is a multilingual and multicultural School. We currently offer French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) as full subjects on a number of undergraduate and postgraduate taught programmes. The School offers excellent opportunities for research-led teaching, and for colleagues to supervise doctoral research. We particularly value interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary scholarship and are committed to supporting colleagues in the conduct of high-quality research. We have a long-running PhD programme, and staff research specialisms in Applied Linguistics, Translation Studies, and Intercultural, Literary & Citizenship Studies.

#### **Role overview**

The successful candidates will conduct high-quality research and teaching in French or German language and in Applied Linguistics (French post) or Literary Studies (German post). They will also participate in the School's external engagement activities. Further, the successful candidates are expected to contribute to programme management, research supervision and the service activities of the School, Faculty, and University. They will report to the Head of School.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

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

## Research and scholarship

To contribute to the research activity of the School by:

- Pursuing an active and ambitious research agenda
- Publishing research findings in leading international academic journals and with high profile book publishers
- Achieving measurable impact via citations
- Actively seeking and supervising postgraduate research students
- Building and sustaining a network of research collaborators, at home and abroad
- Seeking funds to support research initiatives
- Contributing to research activities such as conferences, seminars etc.
- Contributing to the research culture and environment in the School and, where appropriate, working collaboratively on research initiatives.

### Teaching and learning

To contribute to the teaching and learning activity of the School by:

- Designing, coordinating, and delivering, to the highest standard, language modules, inperson and online, drawing on the latest developments in Applied Linguistics, Foreign Language Pedagogy, and Technology Enhanced Language Learning
- Designing, coordinating, and delivering, to the highest standard, modules in Applied Linguistics or Literary and cultural studies, in-person and online
- Supervising undergraduate and taught MA dissertations
- Working proactively to enhance and enrich existing modules and programmes
- Contributing to the design and development of new modules and programmes
- Facilitating extra-curricular multilingual and multicultural activities, including the development of virtual mobility/exchanges initiatives

### Service and Contribution to University and Society

To contribute to the effective functioning and administration of the School by:

- Delivering allocated administrative roles to a high standard and creatively
- Contributing proactively to relevant School, Faculty, and University committees, working groups and meetings
- Actively participating in student recruitment and outreach activities
- Enhancing the reputation and impact of SALIS through engagement in external academic and societal activities

# **Qualifications and Experience**

Applicants for the positions must hold an honours degree, should be qualified to a post-graduate level, and have completed a doctoral qualification in an appropriate area. They must have native or near-native proficiency in French or German, and in English. The successful candidates should also be able to contribute to the teaching of Applied Linguistics and Computer Assisted Language Learning (French post), or Literary studies (German post), and be willing to supervise doctoral students in these areas.

The successful candidates will have experience of university language teaching on a full-time basis, more particularly in a hybrid/blended learning environment. They will be able to convincingly demonstrate a strong commitment to academic research and should have a track-record of international peer-reviewed publications. We especially welcome applicants with the capability to build and sustain a strong international research network in their area of expertise. They must be capable of working in a team and of providing leadership in developing the teaching and research agenda within the School, as well as supporting the School's fund-raising activities through grant applications.

# **Mandatory Training**

The post holders 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.