

SCHOOL OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
DCU INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION
PhD SCHOLARSHIP IN EDUCATION 2021

Dublin City University, Institute of Education is accepting applications for a Scholarship in Education, an opportunity to undertake funded full-time PhD studies over a three-year period commencing on 1st September 2021. The candidate will work on a research project exploring teacher identity, primarily in the post primary sector. Applicants should have a strong background in Education or Social Sciences, with an interest in exploring the changing nature of teacher identities, career journeys and hybrid narratives.

The Research Project

The research project will focus on teacher identity, primarily in the post primary sector. The research will explore perceptions of teaching, motivations to teach and experiences of teaching, as well as the personal, social and cultural pluralities that shape and reshape teacher identities. The research will consider teacher identity primarily in Ireland and Europe, but proposals to examine other relevant contexts through comparative analysis are welcome.

Scholarship Details

The candidate will enjoy a range of supports within the University and the Faculty, including Graduate Training Elements as well as having the opportunity to interact with research students and staff members. In addition, the candidate will be mentored by members of their supervisory panel to develop their capacities to teach at third level, particularly in the context of teacher education. The candidate will engage in teaching activities for up to 100 hours per annum (total effort). The candidate is expected to commence their studies on 1st September 2021, and to attend the University Orientation and Induction Programme for Postgraduate Research Students and contribute to Faculty activities commensurate with their studies.

An annual package of up to €20,000 per annum for a maximum of three years comprising:

- A scholarship stipend of €15,095 per annum
- Fee contribution of up to €4,905 per annum

Postgraduate Research Study at DCU Institute of Education

Committed to academic excellence and innovation, DCU Institute of Education, the newest faculty of Dublin City University, provides a transformative student experience through its PhD Research Programmes. As a centre of excellence in post-graduate research, the IoE hosts internationally recognised experts in its research centres across all sectors of education, from early childhood right up to and including further and higher education. It has an ambitious programme of education research and provides a research environment that is student-centred and inclusive. Belonging to an academic community is central to any research student's experience here. Working with, and learning from, global leaders in education research, ensures our students participate in an active academic community. We are committed to a culture of career readiness, providing an education that will equip our research graduates to develop valuable transferable skills. In a world of new opportunities, today's research graduates need to be adaptable, flexible and innovative. We are confident our research graduates will flourish in the challenging and complex contexts of 21st century societies.

Conditions of the Scholarship

Applicants should have a background in Education or Social Sciences and have developed a research proposal, aligned with the themes set out in the research project section above, that will lead to a research degree of PhD. The successful candidate will be required to register for a full-time research degree (PhD) at DCU Institute of Education. The successful candidate will be allocated a supervisory panel for the duration of their studies which will contain at least one primary supervisor and an

Independent Panel member. The successful applicant will meet the eligibility requirements of Postgraduate Research students at IoE, Dublin City University and will therefore register as follows:

PhD: Candidates holding an appropriate Master's degree obtained by research may apply for direct entry to the PhD register.

PhD-track: Candidates with a taught Master's degree in an appropriate discipline with first or second-class honours, and candidates with a primary degree in an appropriate discipline with first or second-class honours, grade one, may apply and be considered for entry to the PhD-track register with a view to proceeding towards a PhD. Such candidates will undergo a confirmation procedure, as outlined in the [Academic Regulations](#), before being admitted to the PhD register.

To Apply:

Please email the following documents to ioe.hd@dcu.ie ***Closing date for receipt of application documentation is 5pm (GMT) on Friday 16th July 2021.***

- Cover letter
- Full Curriculum Vitae
- Copy of transcripts of qualifications
- Research proposal – please use Institute of Education Research Proposal Form available [here](#)
- Please put **School of Human Development PhD Scholarship** in the subject bar of all email communications

All shortlisted applicants will be interviewed.

Enquiries should be directed to ioe.hd@dcu.ie

NOTE: Qualifications/eligibility may not be verified by Dublin City University until the final stage of the process. Therefore, those candidates who do not meet the eligibility requirements should not apply. An invitation to interview or any element of the selection process is not acceptance of eligibility.