**Research Centre:** **DCU Anti-Corruption Research Centre (DCU ARC)**

**Post Title:** **Postdoctoral Researcher in Corruption Studies**

**Level on Framework:** **Level 1**

**Post Duration:** **Fixed Term Contract up to 3 years**

**Overview**

Dublin City University ([www.DCU.ie)](www.DCU.ie) 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.

**Research Career Framework**

As part of this role the researcher will be required to participate in the DCU Career Framework. This framework is designed to provide significant professional development opportunities to Researchers and offer the best opportunities in terms of a wider career path. The role may include teaching duties to assist with module delivery.

**DCU Business School**

DCU Business School is an engaged, innovative internationally-focused school which prides itself on its excellent reputation for impacting students, the academic community, industry and wider society. From the outset, our guiding voices were those of industry and students and, as a result, we are today distinctive for our deep and responsive industry engagement and our close concern with the success of our students. From those beginnings in the 1980s, and particularly over the last ten years, DCU Business School has developed an excellent research profile characterised by its industry relevance and a strong international reach. The School is accredited by AACSB, AMBA and has been awarded the Small Business Charter from the Chartered Association of Business Schools. Additionally, our programmes have relevant professional accreditations.

**DCU Anti-Corruption Research Centre**

ARC is Ireland's first academic research centre dedicated to research, policy, and education on corruption and anti-corruption. ARC is focused on understanding the causes and consequences of corruption and the development of effective anti-corruption strategies. ARC's membership comprises experienced and accomplished scholars from across the social sciences, including economics, political science, management, law, and sociology. For more information, see https://www.dcu.ie/arc.

**Role Profile**

DCU ARC is seeking to appoint a postdoctoral researcher for three years to work on a funded project that will examine the idea that corruption imposes specific costs on women and that corruption impedes coordinated action on climate change.

**Duties and Responsibilities**
- Reporting to the Co-PI of the project, Dr. Robert Gillanders of DCU Business School and DCU ARC, the Postdoctoral Researcher will work with colleagues to implement a fixed programme of research and disseminate the results.
- Disseminate the results via conferences, peer reviewed journal articles, and policy briefs.
- Contribute to the organisation and implementation of stakeholder events and online training and outreach resources.
- Help develop and implement online resources
- Assist in the development and implementation of training activities based on the results of the research

**Qualifications and Experience**

**Minimum criteria**
- The successful candidate will have a Primary PhD, in economics, political science, or a related discipline.

In addition to the above it is desirable that the candidate possess a subset of the following skills.
- expertise in corruption studies or political economy more generally
- strong quantitative/econometric skills
- capable of working independently

- a team player, they must demonstrate initiative, be hard working, versatile and productive
- excellent written and oral proficiency in English
- ability to communicate effectively both written (for presentations) and verbal (for conference talks)
- ability to prioritise workload and work to exacting deadlines
- ability to work in a multi-disciplinary team and multicultural team
- publication record in peer reviewed journals
- experience with qualitative research methods
- experience with experimental methods
- experience organising conferences and workshops
- experience with the development of online resources

**Essential Training**

The post holder will be required to undertake the following essential compliance training: Orientation, Health and Safety and Intellectual Property and Data Protection training. Other training may need to be undertaken when required.

**Candidates will be assessed on the following competencies:**

**Discipline knowledge and Research skills** – Demonstrates knowledge of a research discipline and the ability to conduct a specific programme of research within that discipline.

**Understanding the Research Environment** – Demonstrates an awareness of the research environment (for example funding bodies) and the ability to contribute to grant applications.

**Communicating Research** – Demonstrates the ability to convey their research with their peers and the wider research community (for example presenting at conferences and publishing research in relevant journals) and the potential to teach and tutor students.

**Managing & Leadership skills** - Demonstrates the potential to manage a research project including the supervision of undergraduate students.