



DCU Institute of Education (School of Human Development) Dublin City University

The DCU Institute of Education (School of Human Development) is looking to host an experienced researcher via funding through Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships. In order to secure funding, the experienced researcher must develop a proposal with the host for the September 9th, 2020 deadline.

Organisation Description

DCU Institute of Education

The DCU Institute of Education is the newest faculty of Dublin City University. It is based in a €70 million purpose built facility on the DCU St Patrick's Campus in Drumcondra in Dublin. Established in 2016 as Ireland's first University Faculty of Education, it has a staff of more than 130 full-time academics and a student body in excess of 4,000. The Institute brings together students of education across all sectors from early childhood, to primary and post-primary and further and higher education. As well as providing a range of undergraduate programmes in education, the Institute offers a rich menu of taught and research-based postgraduate programmes, at doctoral, masters, diploma and certificate levels. As a centre of expertise and excellence in teacher education and education more generally, the Institute provides a dynamic learning and working environment. Staff can expect to encounter opportunities for multi-disciplinary work, not just in the Institute, but across the University. As one of the world's leading young Universities, DCU has established its fifth and newest faculty out of a conviction that studies and research in education and the preparation and support of teachers are central to the transformation of lives and communities.

School of Human Development

The School of Human Development is one of the six schools within the DCU Institute of Education. The School is made up of a dynamic and unique group of scholars, researchers and teachers working together in collaboration and whose academic interests span teacher education, the humanities and social sciences, and the broad field of Human Development.

Project idea and researcher opportunities

<u>Research Field</u>: Development of International Principles for Relationships and Sexuality Education in Teacher Education: RSETE PRINCIPLES

The project idea is to develop a set of Principles which guide the provision of Relationships and Sexuality Education in Initial Teacher Education, across countries. The project extends the findings of the Teacher Professional Development and Relationships and Sexuality Education TEACH-RSE research study (IRC 2019/147), funded through the Irish Research





Council IRC Coalesce Award with the support of the Health Service Executive: Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Agency. TEACH-RSE was the first of its kind, in an Irish context, to examine the preparation of primary and post-primary teachers to teach RSE.

The RSETE PRINCIPLES project seeks to investigate international practices and perspectives on the initial and continuing professional development of teachers' competencies and comfort pertaining to Relationships and Sexuality RSE and will make recommendations for improved practice at an international level through the development of a set of International Principles for Relationships and Sexuality Education in Teacher Education. The RSETE PRINCIPLES project will employ qualitative and quantitative methodologies to meet these aims.

Researcher Requirements

- The researcher must fulfil the MSCA-IF mobility and experienced researcher requirements.
- Applicants should have a PhD (or more than 4 years of research experience) in relevant areas of teacher education/teacher professional development and sexuality education and demonstrate a promising track record of early research achievements.

Application procedure

The applicant should provide:

- 1. A short CV
- 2. A one-page research proposal
- 3. A short statement with indication of why DCU and The School of Human Development would be the best host institution for your research project

Contact information

If you are interested in applying for a MSCA-IF with DCU Institute of Education (School of Human Development) please email Dr. Catherine Maunsell (<u>Catherine.maunsell@dcu.ie</u>) and Dr Ines Perić (ines.peric@dcu.ie) as early as possible.

¹ **MSCA-IF mobility:** The researcher must not have resided or carried out the main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of the beneficiary for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately before the call September 9th deadline (flexible 36 months in the 5 previous years if eligible for career restart or reintegration fellowship https://www.iua.ie/irish-marie-curie-office/funding-calls/individual-fellowships/)

Experienced researcher requirements: The researcher must have at least 4-years full time research experience or hold a doctorate before the September 9th deadline.